



Newsletter

The Gene Roman Family Foundation Newsletter
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SAVE THE DATE—APRIL 20, 2012

Ten Galas? Wow!! Yes, we are busy planning our Tenth Annual Gala Event, which will be held on Friday, April 20, 2012. We are so excited...even in this economy, our supporters are generous enough to allow us to continue to do what we do—help cancer patients who are having financial problems. Most of the people we help truly have nowhere else to turn. We are proud to say that we have never had to turn down a valid request due to a lack of funds. Thank you!

Please continue to support us by planning to attend our Gala Event. We are looking forward to another great evening—good food, good friends, fabulous prizes, and great entertainment. By popular request, we have The Neverly Brothers re-

turning to entertain us this year. They performed a few years ago and we have had several requests for a return engagement.

So please plan to join us on Friday, April 20 and bring your family and friends. The only way we can continue to grow is with your help.

Your suggestions and input are welcome. If you have any ideas for our event, let us know. If you want to volunteer to help, or have a raffle prize to donate, or would like to add someone to our invitation list, email sandie@generoman.org or call us at 708-532-4454.

We're looking forward to seeing you on April 20!

THE TENTH ANNUAL GENE ROMAN FAMILY FOUNDATION GALA EVENT AND FUNDRAISER

Friday, April 20, 2012

***Royalty West, Willow Springs, Illinois
Entertainment by The Neverly Brothers***

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Our goal is to raise money to directly help *people* without deducting the large salaries and administrative expenses that are sometimes involved in larger organizations. We are proud to say that we have been able to help many individuals who may not have had any other source of financial assistance. We are staffed entirely by volunteers. No portion of any donation is used for salaries, nor was any portion ever used for any of Gene's expenses or treatments. Your gift to The Gene Roman Family Foundation, a 501(c)(3) corporation, is tax deductible and will allow us to continue with our goals.

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IN LOVING MEMORY....

We have received donations:

*In loving memory of **Gene Roman** from Susan & Jeff Phillips*

*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Lenore & Kenneth Steinhart*

*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Mayra Yates Elementary School*

*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Meredith Pronger & Roge Bourge*

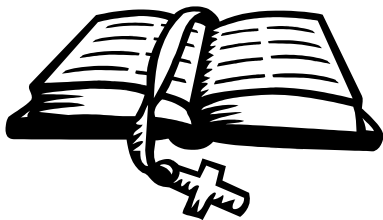
*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Ed & Sue Anderson*

*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Sue Mosel*

*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Jule Dean Sapp*

*In loving memory of **Rhoda Gratz** from Kurt Gratz*

*In loving memory of **Randa Carpenter** from Hal & Joy Davis*



If you would like to make a gift to The Gene Roman Family Foundation in memory of someone, or in honor of a person or an occasion, such as a birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc., please send your contribution to:

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Be sure to indicate in whose memory/honor you are donating, and the occasion if appropriate. Let us know to whom we should send a card, letting them know a gift has been made. We'll take care of the rest—and we'll put the gift to good use. Thanks!

YOUR DONATIONS

Our referrals continue to come from oncologists, hospital Cancer Centers, local agencies, former patients, and our supporters. Thanks to you, we are able to continue assisting those who often have nowhere else to get help. Since our May newsletter, we have:

- *Helped with transportation costs for a woman with breast cancer*
- *Helped with medication costs for a woman with bone cancer*
- *Helped with cost of pain medication for a man with lung cancer*
- *Paid copays for medication for a woman with metastatic cancer*
- *Helped with gas money for a woman with breast cancer*
- *Helped with utilities and groceries for the family of man with esophageal cancer*



IN LOVING MEMORY
GENE ROMAN
April 23, 1947—May 18, 2004

RIDE TO THE ROCK

Thank you again to Mike and Angela Isbell for organizing and running the Second Annual Ride to Rock. Participants, who included motorcycles and classic cars, rode from New Lenox to Starved Rock and then finished up with a delicious dinner at Tom Kelly's Restaurant in New Lenox. All profits from the event were donated to The Gene Roman Family Foundation. Mike and Angela plan to make this an annual event and hope to increase participation every year. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, just let us know and we will forward your information to them.

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WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO

This is the fifteenth issue of our semi-annual publication, The Gene Roman Family Foundation Newsletter. We hope you find it interesting and informative. Our goal is to keep you up-to-date on what's happening with the Foundation—what we're doing, who we're helping, and upcoming events. Your comments and suggestions are welcomed and encouraged at any time.

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Our logo was designed by Kevin Kapala. The Roman column symbolizes Gene's strong character and strength in his battle with cancer and represents the support one can find from family and friends. The bright sun symbolizes the hope that is within all of us. It also reminds us that a life threatening illness makes one appreciate everything more; the sun shines brighter; the grass is greener, etc. The rays coming off the sun symbolize the family's outreach to others.

We at the Gene Roman Family Foundation are extremely proud of the work that Gene began and that we carry on, and we are especially grateful for all of our wonderful family, friends, and supporters who so generously contribute to our goals. Thank you.