



Finding a Cure for ALS: Exciting Events are the Ticket

The LVH ALS Foundation is planning the second annual benefit dinner on April 30 at WinMock and a golf tournament on May 1 at Bermuda Run to benefit ALS research. The LVH ALS Foundation is one of the largest and most successful fundraising organizations in North Carolina for advocacy, treatments, and awareness of this terrible disease.

Clemmons, NC, March 17, 2015 – To honor Larry Hughes and raise funds for ALS research, the LVH ALS Foundation is planning two exciting events this spring. The public is encouraged to attend.

After receiving a devastating diagnosis of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) – a degenerative disease that affects over 5,000 people in the U.S. each year – Larry Hughes of Clemmons and his family chose to work toward a cure. Larry's family decided right away to make an impact, so they established a foundation and planned a fundraising event.

The event was very successful with over 400 people in attendance and generous support from many corporate sponsors and individuals. Over \$400,000 was raised from the event and other fundraising activities, in which \$290,000 funded a research project called ALS Reversals, when rare patients with ALS unexpectedly get better.

To continue raising needed funds for ALS research, the LVH ALS Foundation, along with presenting sponsor Dixon Hughes Goodman and Duke ALS Clinic, are planning this year's events. The Derby Dinner for ALS will be held on Thursday, April 30, 2015, at WinMock at Kinderton in Advance, NC. Attendees will enjoy a silent auction, live music from Mickey Galyean & Cullen's Bridge, and mint juleps and derby ale from Hoots Roller Bar & Beer Company. The LVH Golf Tournament for ALS will take place on Friday, May 1, 2015 at Bermuda Run Country Club in Bermuda Run, NC.

"Our overall goal is to raise \$2.5 million, allowing a professorship and a physician to spend five days a week focused on research, patient care and advocacy. We would like to ensure that Duke would have a faculty member focused on ALS full time. Currently Dr. Bedlack, Larry's doctor, spends one day a week on patient care and there's a two month wait to see him," stated Brett Hoge, Larry's stepson.

The LVH ALS Foundation, one of the largest and most successful ALS fundraising organizations in North Carolina, is committed to providing funding to endow a professorship of ALS at Duke University – not only to help those with ALS today, but to find a cure in the future.

To support this worthy cause, the public is invited to sponsor and attend these events. **Visit www.lvhalsfoundation.org for more information.**

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