

## NOVEMBER 18, 2017

BACARA RESORT & SPA | SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA

## DREAM FOUNDATION'S 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GALA AN EVENING OF MEMORABI F MOMENTS AND REALIZED DREAMS

Dream Foundation, the only national Dream-granting organization for terminally-ill adults, fulfills final Dreams that provide inspiration, comfort and closure at the end of life. With the support of a nationwide network of volunteers, hospices, health care organizations and committed donors, Dream Foundation has given life to nearly 27,000 Dreams over the past two decades and has never turned down a qualified Dream request.

Dream Foundation does not receive any federal or state funding, and relies solely on individual donations and corporate partnerships to fund its programs. Dream Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit and receives national recognition for efficiency and fiscal responsibility. Our Foundation proudly maintains a 4-star Charity Navigator Rating.

"We spent the four days just lying there, holding each other and relaxing—not even talking about the hospital once. It gave us an extra breath—an extra wind, but this trip—it did something for us. It made us feel like we were on our honeymoon again."

-BONNIE, 55, ESSEX, MD



Nearly \$1,000,000 is raised each year at Dream Foundation's annual gala to support our Dreamgranting program.

Each year, there is live entertainment for this sold-out event. **Past performers have included:** Dan Aykroyd and the Blues Brothers, Estelle, The Cast of "Glee," Macy Gray, David Ryan Harris, Kenny Loggins, Barry Manilow, Michael McDonald, Bill Medley, Olivia Newton-John, O.A.R., Richie Sambora, Jordin Sparks and KT Tunstall.

**Celebrity presenters, auctioneers and honorees have included**: Jeff Bridges, John Corbett, Bo Derek, Andrew Firestone, Brad Garrett, Randy Jackson, Nigel Lithgoe, Rob Lowe, Jane Lynch, Bill Paxton, Katy Perry, Barbra Streisand, Alan Thicke and Jennifer Tilly.

Corporate Sponsors have included: American Airlines, Bentley Motors, CKE Restaurant Holdings Inc., Cox Communications, Deckers Outdoor Corporation, Disney/ABC Television Group, Fox Broadcasting Company, Genentech, Gentiva Hospice Foundation, Harman Kardon, John Paul Mitchell Systems, Mercedes-Benz USA, NARS Cosmetics, Patrón Tequila, Rolls Royce, Saks Fifth Avenue, Tesla Motors, thinkThin, and Wells Fargo.

Past media coverage of the event has included: Access Hollywood, C California Style, E!, Entertainment Tonight, Extra, Harper's Bazaar, LA Confidential, Los Angeles Magazine, People, Santa Barbara Magazine, Town & Country, TV Guide, USA Today, US Weekly, and Women's Wear Daily.

"My grandmother who has dementia seemed to be in a dream...She took in every spring flower that we saw, every tree and every color. She took in all the romance and the beauty of Disneyland...The magic of a little girl is still alive in my grandmother!"

-JESSIE, 85, FORT COLLINS CO



John's nurse Noreen said, "His trip couldn't have been better!!! Whales put on a good show, the weather ended up being perfect and he really, really enjoyed himself! By far the most rewarding day of my nursing career!!"

-JOHN, 67, PORTSMOUTH, NH

