



The Dattoli Cancer Foundation is proud to present its first newsletter, Journey, designed to keep donors, patients, and friends informed about our activities and accomplishments.

As the Dattoli Cancer Center and our Foundation approach third anniversaries, we are humbled by the work we have been able to do on behalf of prostate cancer patients through the generous support of so many caring people.

OUR OUTREACH CONTINUES

Through the efforts of this Foundation, hundreds of newly diagnosed men have been counseled about prostate cancer and their treatment options. Not a day goes by that the toll-free number does not ring several times - providing an opportunity to encourage and empower men (and their partners) who are sometimes paralyzed by their diagnosis. Knowledge is power - and these conversations are usually helpful and always appreciated.

In 2003, our founder, Don Kaltenbach, hit the road and took to the skies many times, taking his inspirational personal story to many groups and organizations. Support groups, civic organizations and fraternal orders are prime audiences to hear about the importance of annual screening, and the many advances in treatment options. We know that Don's story has been the impetus for many men to get tested.

In addition to physician lectures, Dr. Michael Dattoli also makes time for the lay public, and in fact was the keynote speaker at the PCRI National Conference on Prostate Cancer held in Burbank, California, Sept. 5-7, 2003. Moderated by Charles "Snuffy" Myers, MD, and featuring a panel of respected physicians from the prostate cancer field, Dr. Dattoli spoke on Brachytherapy and IMRT, and again on the topic of Radiation for Local Recurrence. Over 900 people were in attendance at the four-day conference. (Videos and CDs of the recorded sessions are available; call Pacific Multimedia for more information, 888-373-8273). And back again by request, Dr. Dattoli discussed numerous prostate cancer topics in the Distinguished Lecture Series in Kingston, New York.

Our oncology nurse extraordinaire, Jennifer Cash, AOCN, RN, ONC, addressed the US TOO! Conference in Palatine, Illinois, in October. The standing-room-only crowd heard about the latest outcome studies on brachytherapy, and the evolving direction of treatment using IMRT with brachytherapy.

All counted, over 30 presentations/conferences were made in 2003, spreading the word about prostate cancer, the latest diagnostic tools and leading edge treatment options.



Dr. Dattoli answers questions at the PCRI Conference.

MILES & MILESTONES...

For the second year, the Dattoli Cancer Foundation has partnered with the National Prostate Cancer Coalition (Washington, DC) to make possible the cross-country screening performed through the "Drive Against Prostate Cancer." A 40-foot, specially equipped vehicle has brought PSA testing and DRE exams to over 50,000 men in 2003. Our Foundation staff provides clerical services to collate and mail test results and basic prostate cancer information to participants at these FREE screening events. Routinely about 30% of the men screened learn they have an elevated PSA.



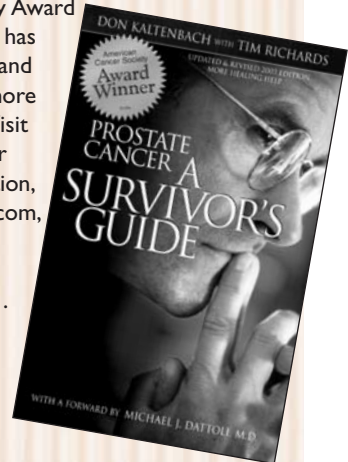
Introducing The Dattoli Education Center

A large portion of the second floor of the Dattoli Cancer Center has been recently furnished as an Education Center for the Center and as a home for the Dattoli Cancer Foundation's local programs. After two years of holding weekly "Beamers" programs at neighborhood restaurants and later at a much worn Lion's Club, a donor made possible the purchase of classroom furnishings to accommodate 50. The new space is a convenient and beautiful spot to hold programs for patients, as well as conferences for business and health professionals in the community.

Wish list item: The Education Center would benefit from having a state-of-the-art audiovisual system, in order to project videos, PowerPoint presentations and slides. If you know someone in this industry, or you are considering a particular gift to the Foundation, we would love to talk with you about this naming opportunity. Call Ginya Carnahan, Director of Development, 941-365-5599.

Back by Popular Demand

PCRN is pleased to announce the 4th revision of Prostate Cancer: A Survivor's Guide, written by Foundation Executive Director Don Kaltenbach. This American Cancer Society Award Winning book has been updated and revised with more healing help. Visit the website for more information, www.pca-guide.com, or you may phone us at 1-800-915-1001.



News from the Prostate Cancer Resource Network

Hundreds of men benefited in 2003 from the free information and counseling services offered through the PCRN, sponsored by the Dattoli Cancer Foundation. Monday through Friday, a specially trained advisor answers calls from men (or their family members or friends) on the toll-free number, answering questions and offering guidance and support. Materials supplied by the PCRN educate men about their disease and treatment options. Many times this service is the pivotal point that enables and empowers a man to take an active role in his healthcare.