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DEAR

We hope you will join us as we chair the 36th Annual "Boots and Bling" Pearl Ball benefiting the Good Samaritan Foundation on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at River Oaks Country Club. It promises to be an unforgettable evening, complete with an enchanting blend of elegance and western charm. This celebration plays a significant part in our efforts to support and honor the dedicated nurses in our community, especially during National Nurses Week. Please join us as we celebrate 36 years of the Pearl Ball and the incredible work of this foundation.

Since its inception in 1951, the Good Samaritan Foundation has provided financial support to a single cause: nursing excellence. The unsung heroes of healthcare, nurses work tirelessly to improve quality, efficiency, and safety. As we continue in the direction of patient-centered medicine and work to combat the current nursing shortage, their ability to influence positive outcomes becomes even more significant.

Through the generosity of its donors, Good Samaritan Foundation has become one of the largest private grantors of scholarships to Texas nursing students. Good Samaritan programs that promote excellence in nursing from education to practice include:

- 1. Scholarships for nursing students.
- 2. Grants to nursing schools for faculty development and special programs (e.g. outreach, recruiting, continuing nurse education).
- 3. Support of preceptor and mentor programs designed to better prepare new nurses for the challenges of patient care.
- 4. Recognition and reward of those nurses who exemplify the finest qualities of the nursing profession.

We hope that you will join us in supporting these programs and our nurses by either purchasing a table or tickets, or by making a donation to the organization. Please kindly respond by March 3rd to be listed in the invitation. We would be honored to have your name appear on event materials recognizing your commitment to our nurses.

Sincerely,

Jan and Jason Ingersoll

Gala Chairs, 2024 Pearl Ball

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