



DISCOVERY BALL

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Unmasking a Cure
A Masquerade Ball

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Tonight's Agenda

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

COCKTAIL HOUR

7:00 PM

BALLROOM DOORS OPEN

7:15 PM

WELCOME, HONOREES & TOASTS

7:40 PM

DINNER SERVED

8:00 PM

LIVE AUCTION & MISSION FUNDING

9:00 PM - 11:30 PM

LATE PARTY ENTERTAINMENT
BY MUSIC CITY ALL STARS



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Menu

CARROT SALAD (GF)

Heirloom Baby Carrots, Sliced Smoked Ricotta, Cherry Tomato, Red Watercress, Lemon Zest, Bacon Vinaigrette

FILET OF BEEF & ROASTED SHRIMP

With Potato Puree, Heirloom Carrots, Au Poivre

*Vegan Option Available Upon Request

MINIATURE DESSERT BAR

Chocolate Salted Caramel Tart

Bourbon Crème Brûlée

New York Style Cheesecake

Mixed Fruit & Berries



WELCOME FROM OUR EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT KIM JACKSON

Dear friends and supporters,

Welcome to the 2024 American Cancer Society Oracle Discovery Ball of Nashville. By being here tonight, you're fueling critical research, patient support and advocacy initiatives that will help us end cancer as we know it, for everyone. Specifically your support tonight will ensure our ability to serve our guests and provide cost free lodging to cancer patients at our Nashville Memorial Foundation Hope Lodge.

Thank you to Stephen and Magda Schleicher, our co-chairs for this years Discovery Ball Board of Ambassadors. Your leadership and passion have brought us together to stand with everyone facing cancer tonight and in the future. I also want to thank our Title Sponsor Oracle. Along with all of our sponsors, your support of the American Cancer Society helps us ensure that everyone has an opportunity to prevent, detect, treat, and survive cancer.

This year, nearly 2 million Americans will hear the words, "you have cancer" – including nearly 43,470 Tennesseans. It's likely that everyone here has helped a loved one, friend, or colleague after a cancer diagnosis, or you've heard these words yourself. We must continue to make progress for every person facing every cancer. With your help, we will.

Thank you again for your support. I hope you enjoy every moment of this year's Oracle Discovery Ball of Nashville.

Kimberly Jackson
Executive Vice President
American Cancer Society – Southeast Region



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2025 HONOREES



INDIVIDUAL HONOREE SHARON NOWLIN

After being diagnosed with ovarian cancer in 2016 and only a few years to live, Sharon faced every setback with extraordinary faith and determination. Through advanced, compassionate care at Tennessee Oncology and Ascension Saint Thomas—including participation in one of the first integrated supportive care programs—she defied the odds and today celebrates over two years with no evidence of disease. Her remarkable journey is a testament to the lifesaving power of research, innovation, and hope that fuel progress in the fight against cancer.



COMMUNITY HONOREE NASHVILLE WINE AUCTION

For more than 45 years, the Nashville Wine Auction has united the wine community to fund the fight against cancer—raising over \$40 million for research, patient support, and innovative treatment programs. Founded as l'Été du Vin to benefit the American Cancer Society, the Auction has remained a steadfast partner in advancing hope and healing across Middle Tennessee. Its enduring generosity continues to make an extraordinary impact on patients, families, and the future of cancer care.



IMPACT AWARD WILLETT FAMILY DISTILLERY

For their steadfast commitment to giving back, the Willett Family Distillery has harnessed the spirit of bourbon to fuel the fight against cancer—raising hundreds of thousands of dollars through special barrel auctions and limited-edition bottlings dedicated to research and patient support. Their legacy is shaped by family, craftsmanship, loss, and hope—and we honor them now for turning personal adversity into purpose and partnership. Their generosity helps ensure that every sip supports a cause and every gift honors a life well lived.





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Live Auction Items



THE ART OF THE REVEAL

World-renowned speed painter Amy Burkman will transform a blank canvas into a stunning work of art in less than 10 minutes. The subject of her piece will remain a surprise until the final brushstroke.

SAIL THE GRENADINES

Set sail on a five-night catamaran adventure for four in the stunning Grenadines. Relax, unwind, and explore turquoise waters and pristine beaches in ultimate comfort. Adventure and luxury await on the open sea!



WILLETT BARREL

Savor the craftsmanship of Willett Distillery in Bardstown, Kentucky, with a once-in-a-lifetime private barrel selection experience for up to six guests. Your chosen barrel will be bottled, labeled, and reserved just for you.

ULTIMATE WHISKEY TASTING EXPERIENCE

Experience an unforgettable night at Whiskey House for 10. Surrounded by 6,500 bottles, you'll taste rare and highly sought-after whiskey in one of America's most coveted whiskey destinations.



LIGHTS, CAMERA...VACATION!

Jet off to Beverly Hills for the ultimate California escape. Enjoy two nights at the Beverly Wilshire, A Four Seasons Hotel. Then, head to Fox Studios for a private lunch and behind-the-scenes tour. End the day with dinner and live music at Vibrato Grill Jazz. A blockbuster getaway!

Welcome to the Discovery Ball—Presented by HCA Healthcare Sarah Cannon Cancer Network at TriStar Health and SCRI Oncology Partners!

On behalf of both our care networks, we extend our warmest welcome and heartfelt gratitude for the opportunity to support the American Cancer Society in advancing our shared mission: transforming cancer care and improving lives.

Together, we stand at the forefront of innovation, compassion, and community. Our presence here tonight reflects a commitment to delivering world-class oncology services, expanding access to cutting-edge clinical trials, and supporting patients and families throughout their cancer journey. We aim to amplify the impact of our collective expertise and resources—bringing hope and healing to those who need it most.

We are honored to join forces with the American Cancer Society—an organization whose legacy of advocacy, research, and patient empowerment continues to inspire us. As we embark on this journey, we look forward to shared successes and improving the lives we will touch along the way.

With gratitude,

Dax & David



Dax Kurbegov, MD, MPH, Senior
Vice President, HCA Healthcare
Sarah Cannon Cancer Network



David Spigel, MD, Medical Oncologist, SCRI
Oncology Partners and Chief Scientific Officer,
Sarah Cannon Research Institute (SCRI)

A photograph of two women embracing outdoors. The woman on the left is older, wearing a light blue headscarf and a light purple cardigan over a blue top. The woman on the right is younger, with curly brown hair, wearing a light purple cardigan over a blue top and red pants. They are both smiling warmly. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with greenery. A large blue circular graphic is in the top right corner, and a purple circular graphic is in the bottom right corner.

“You can’t fight something that is internal by yourself...”

– SCRI Oncology Partners Patient

At SCRI Oncology Partners, you never have to fight alone. From the moment you walk through our doors, we’re in your corner, standing beside you with every heartbeat, every breakthrough, and every ounce of hope. We fight for more of the beautiful moments that make life yours. Led by compassion and clinical excellence, we’re not just your care team, we’re your unwavering advocate.



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Experts in cancer care, *working together for women*

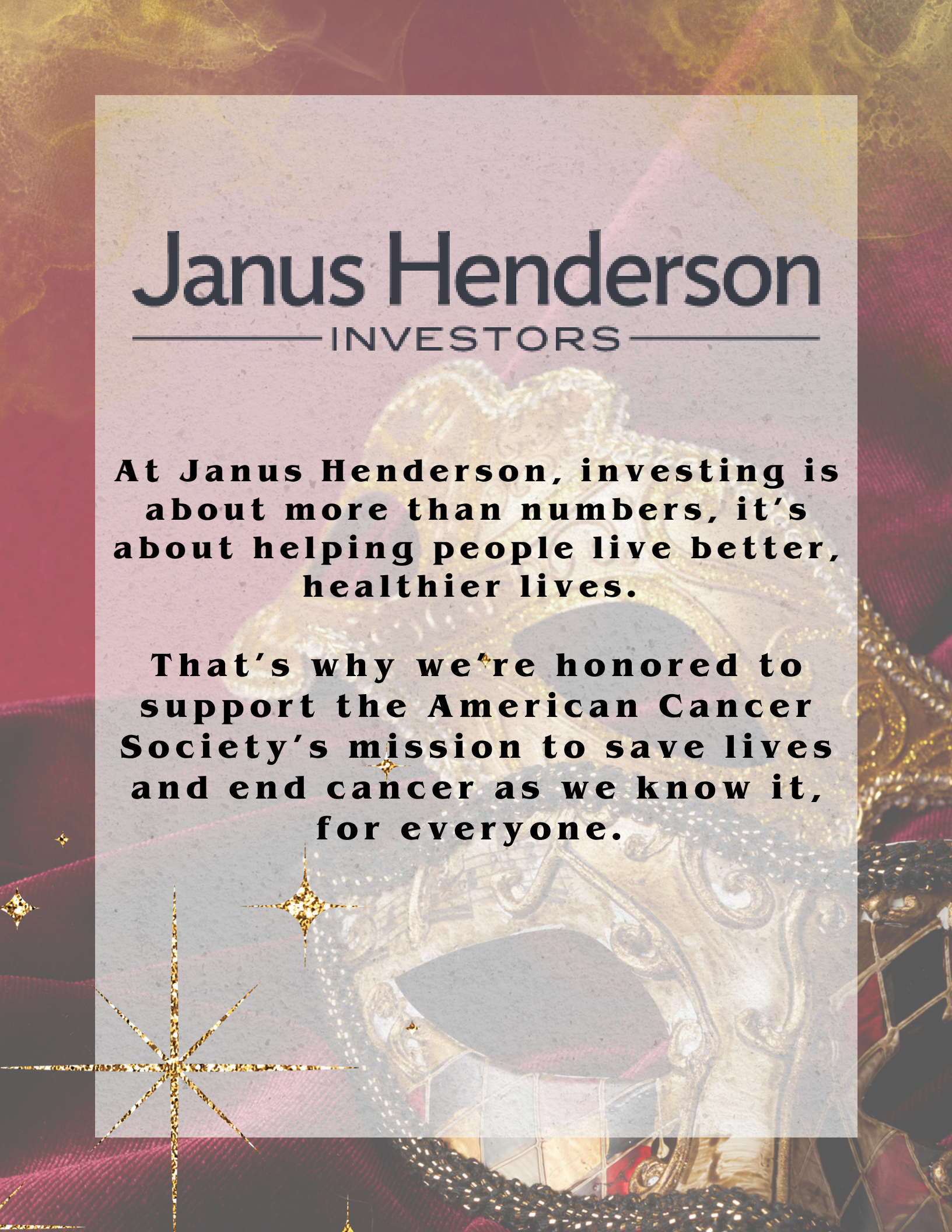
The new Women's Comprehensive Cancer Center brings together two leaders in cancer care: Ascension Saint Thomas and Tennessee Oncology. Together, our teams provide expert, collaborative cancer care designed just for women.

Discover the difference in comprehensive, women-focused cancer care.
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At Janus Henderson, investing is about more than numbers, it's about helping people live better, healthier lives.

That's why we're honored to support the American Cancer Society's mission to save lives and end cancer as we know it, for everyone.

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differently makes
a big impact.

Polsinelli proudly supports the
**American Cancer Society's
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60%

of members report that we've helped them better understand their symptoms or answered key questions about their health.



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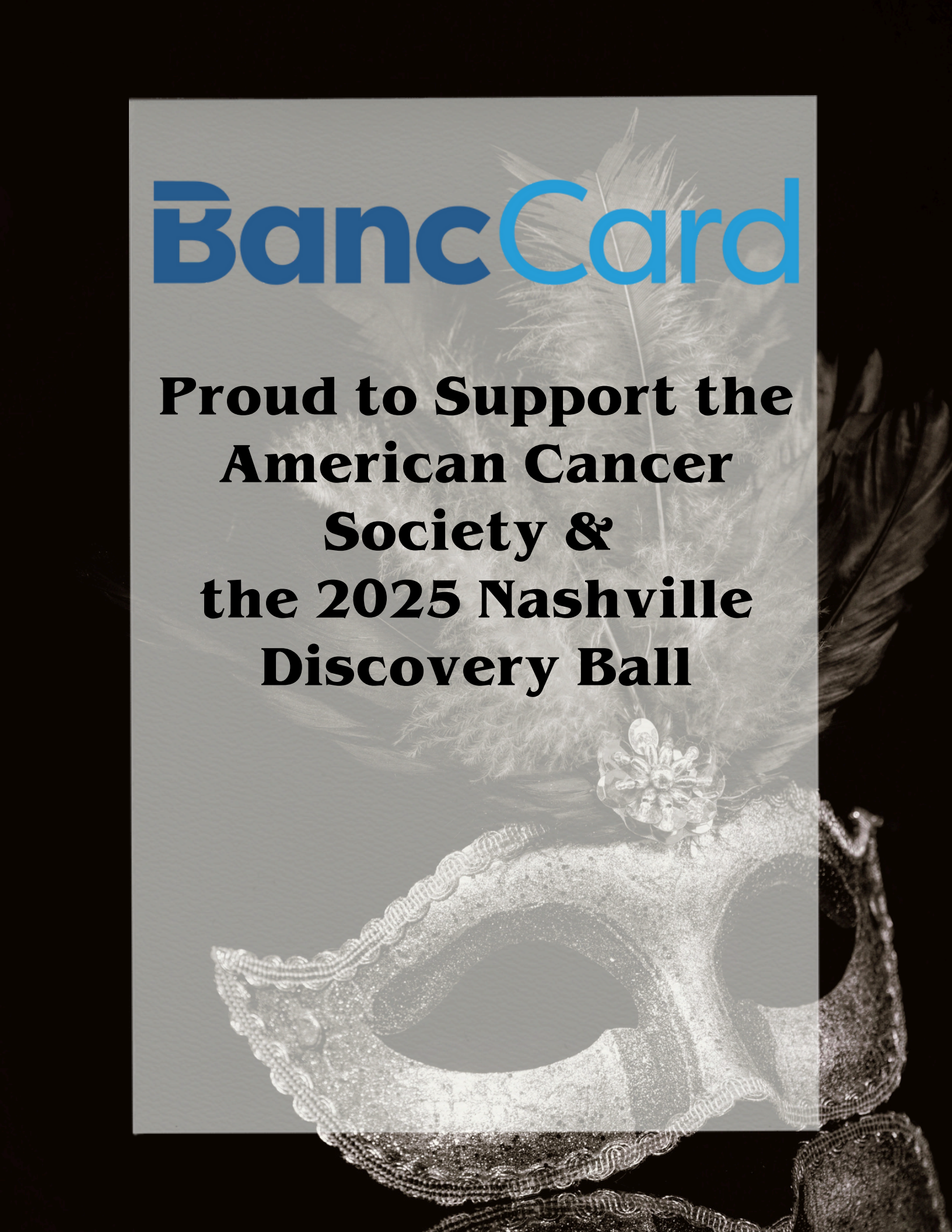


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FUELING BREAKTHROUGHS. GIVING HOPE.

CANCER IS UNPREDICTABLE.
FUNDING FOR RESEARCH SHOULDN'T BE.

Cancer does not discriminate.
It touches every family, every community, every one of us.
It hides behind faces we love — until we unmask it.

At the American Cancer Society, we're relentless in the fight to end cancer as we know it,
for everyone.

Right now, ACS is investing more than \$517 million in 870 active research grants at 224 institutions across the nation — funding the next generation of discoveries that will detect cancer earlier, treat it smarter, and save more lives.

Every breakthrough starts somewhere.
It starts in a lab. In an idea.
In a moment of possibility fueled by generosity like yours.

When you give tonight, you're not just donating — you're igniting innovation.
You're giving scientists the tools to turn bold ideas into lifesaving treatments.
You're giving families more time, and more hope.

The progress is real. The science is accelerating.
But the need has never been greater.

Tonight's Mission Paddle Raise will be 100% restricted to fund
groundbreaking cancer research.

Together, we can unmask a cure — one discovery, one dollar, one act of generosity at a time.

Thank you for giving generously to this shared mission.
We could not do it without you.

TEAM CHAD



For the last 19 years, Team Chad has awarded over \$2.2 million to support cancer patients and their families in Tennessee. This year, we're proud to support the American Cancer Society's Nashville Hope Lodge and help with lodging for cancer patients. Thank you for helping us continue to fight in Chad's memory

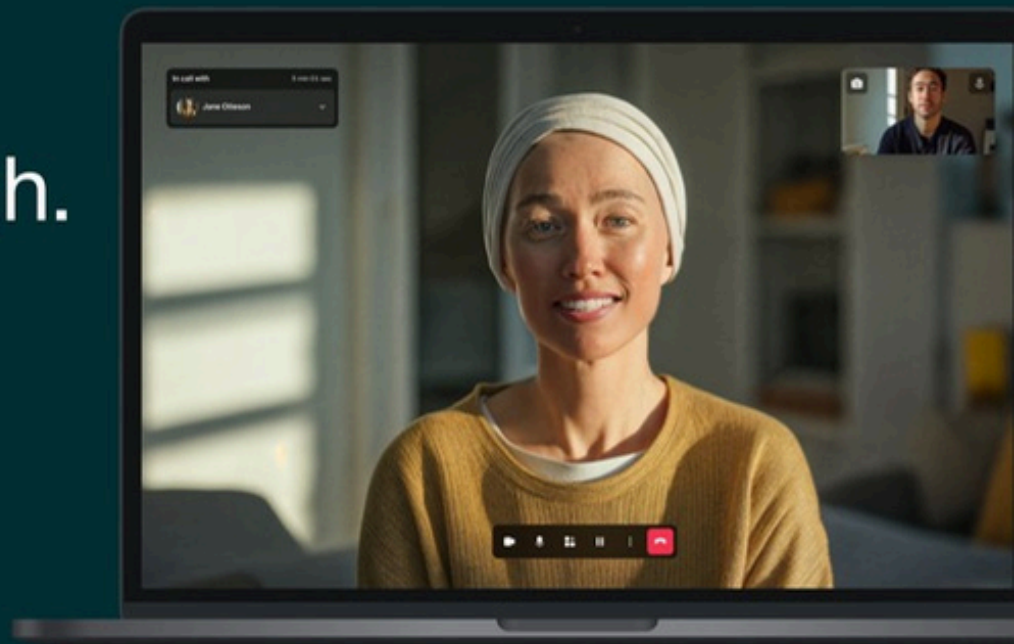


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25% off for Gala Attendees and official partners of ACS

Offer valid for American Cancer Society gala attendees and official partners. 25% off new annual subscriptions. Expires December 31, 2025.

“We’re proud to support the American Cancer Society in its mission to end cancer as we know it, for everyone.”

Matt Jernigan
President & CEO
ascend.org



Community is the
commitment we make
to each other

When a community is strong, it's more than a collection of streets and buildings—it's a place that helps its residents thrive.

That's why we're committed to building stronger communities as a proud supporter of 2025 Nashville Discovery Ball.



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TO CHANGING LIVES,
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Together, we can rewrite
the story of cancer.



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Thanks To You
Hope Has A Home Here

For 20 years, the Nashville Memorial Foundation Hope Lodge has provided a home away from home for our patients and their families. We're grateful to American Cancer Society for their unwavering commitment to patients and their critical support for cancer research.

We're proud to partner with the American Cancer Society to offer support, community, and care for patients who come from near and far for their cancer care.

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U.S. Bank is honored to stand with the American Cancer Society and our community in the fight against cancer.

We celebrate the survivors, honor the loved ones we've lost, and support the life-saving work that gives hope to so many.

Building stronger communities – together.

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If you live in a rural area, **chances are
that you don't have easy access to
cancer screening.**

Those are the **odds today.**

But together, we can **change them for
the future.**

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A photograph of an elderly woman with short grey hair, smiling and looking out the window while driving a car. She is wearing a green and white plaid shirt.

**What often stands
between people
with cancer and life
saving treatment is
a ride to get there.**



Road To Recovery



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