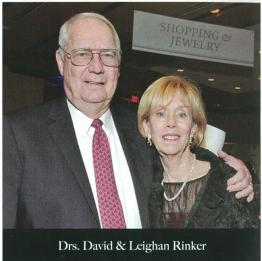


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Bolstering Bright Futures

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"Celebrating Hope for the Future" was the theme of the 10th annual Hope Bash at PGA National Resort & Spa, co-chaired by Sue Ende and Jill Fried. It was an evening of auctions, dinner and dancing that was tasteful in its elegance, honoring those who contribute their resources to Place of Hope, a faith-based children's organization. The annual gathering was opened with an offering of prayer by board president Mickey Nocera.

Place of Hope has achieved renown, not only for the many lives they have rescued from an overburdened foster care system, but for the way in which they go about their work. Their staff volunteers and professionals have made a singular commitment to enhance the lives of children and families. Each day Place of Hope paves a smoother path for a child or young adult, providing them food, shelter and guidance.

This year's Harris L. Weinstein Hero of Hope Award was given to the Berlin family.













