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Wings of Hope

# HOPE IS WHERE THE HEART IS GALA



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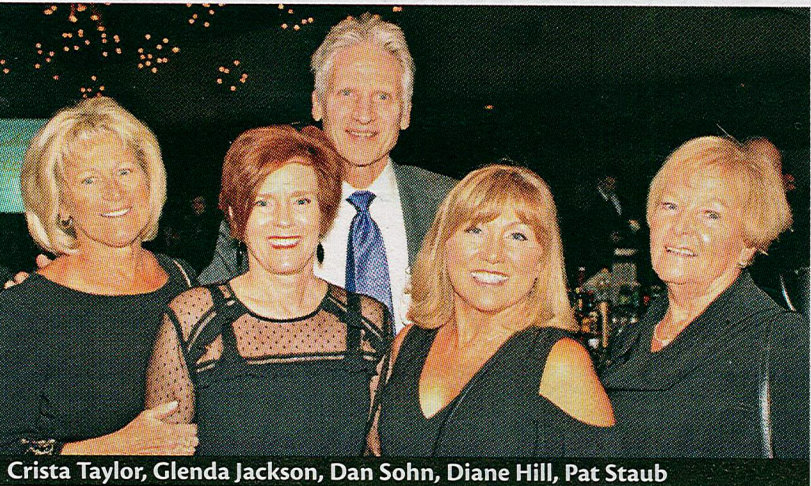
**W**ings of Hope held its annual dinner and auction gala, Hope Is Where the Heart Is, at The Chase Park Plaza in St. Louis' Central West End neighborhood. The single largest fundraiser for the nonprofit's Medical Relief & Air Transport Program drew more than 400 attendees. This year, the organization celebrated the program's 15th anniversary. Attendees could bid on hundreds of silent auction items, as well as exclusive live auction and travel and adventure items. **Adam Jokisch**, a local favorite at fundraisers, served as auctioneer. Co-chairing the event were **Rich and Melissa Ropp** and **Bob and Mary Leeker**. Fabick Cat, the presenting sponsor, has supported Wings of Hope since **Joe Fabick**, son of Fabick founder **John Fabick Sr.**, joined three other St. Louis businessmen in founding the organization in the 1960s. Wings of Hope, an aviation nonprofit, delivers humanitarian programs around the globe to lift people in need toward health and self-sufficiency. In the U.S., it provides free medical air transport services to individuals who need access to specialized medical care. The organization also works in developing countries in Africa, Asia and Central and South America, partnering with communities to improve their health, education, food security and economic opportunity. Wings of Hope has been twice nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize and has a four-star rating on Charity Navigator.

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*Wings of Hope envisions a world in which all people have access to the resources they need to create a better life ... and we use airplanes to make it happen.*

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