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RUTH PATE DALLY PROVIDES \$116,000 FOR PROGRAMS AT UT SOUTHWESTERN MONCRIEF CANCER CENTER IN FORT WORTH

FORT WORTH – Dec. 23, 2003 – Ruth Pate Dally has bequeathed \$116,000 to support oncology programs at the UT Southwestern Moncrief Cancer Center in Fort Worth, where she was treated during the final years of her life.

In her honor the center will establish the Ruth Pate Dally Oncology Treatment Room. Mrs. Dally, who survived a battle with cancer in the 1980s, died in May 2003 at age 71 after a recurrence of the disease.

“My aunt thought very highly of the kind of care she received at Moncrief, and our family feels that she would be very proud to have her name linked to the center in this way,” said Stewart Pate, Mrs. Dally’s nephew. “She believed in supporting important causes, and her desire to help others facing cancer is evidenced through this gift.”

A native of Fort Worth, Mrs. Dally was a graduate of Paschal High School and Texas Christian University, from which she earned a bachelor’s degree in art. She and her late husband, V.H. “Red” Dally, were avid golfers who traveled the country in pursuit of their pastime. Mrs. Dally was a founding member of Woodhaven Country Club of Fort Worth. She also was a competitive tennis player and played on teams at TCU and Rollins College in Florida, which she attended briefly.

“We are grateful for this bequest and are excited about the many opportunities it will afford patients at the Moncrief Center,” said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. “Support like this helps enormously in allowing us to reach those who are in need of leading-edge cancer treatment.”

The Moncrief Cancer Center, an affiliate of UT Southwestern, includes three facilities in Fort Worth and one in Weatherford and has been the leading radiation therapy center in Tarrant County since 1958. In September 2003, UT Southwestern opened a 34,000-square-foot companion Moncrief Radiation Oncology Center in Dallas.

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