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invite you to join them for lunch to hear about HDRF's pioneering research program to cure depression

Thursday, November 29th, 2007

12:00 pm

Metropolitan Club

- The Library -

1 East 60th Street New York, New York

Special Guest: Dominick Dunne

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Seating is limited This is not a fundraising event



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Hope for Depression Research Foundation (HDRF) is to fund ground-breaking, international scientific research into the origins, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of depression and related disorders, with the ultimate goal of finding a cure.

HDRF sets itself apart by funding a pioneering research approach. It recognizes the need to combine the study of both the brain <u>and</u> the mind by supporting research which integrates the fields of neuroscience (the brain) and psychology (the mind). Simultaneously, HDRF funds research in the most rapidly-emerging fields of neuroscience which hold the greatest possibility for breakthrough discoveries – genetics and epigenetics, neuroanatomy, neurochemistry and neurophysiology.

HDRF's structure allows it to fund these innovative initiatives rapidly with the intent of revolutionizing the treatment of depression and related emotional disorders such as anxiety, bipolar disorder, post-partum depression, post-traumatic stress syndrome and ADHD. In the United States more than twenty million adults suffer from diagnosed depressive illness; an estimated 120 million people suffer worldwide.

HDRF was founded in April 2006 by Audrey Gruss in honor of her mother Hope who suffered from clinical depression. It was initially funded by private contributions from The Audrey and Martin Gruss Foundation. It has become a 501(c)(3) public charity and is obligated to raise public funds to support its mission. The Audrey and Martin Gruss Foundation will continue to underwrite all of HDRF's administrative expenses, so that every dollar raised will go directly to research.

HDRF is a non-for-profit 501(c)(3) public charitable organization. All donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.