

SCID, Angels for Life



John and Heather Smith, Judy Dean and Taylor Dahley

SCID, Angels for Life Foundation hosted its first annual Charity Golf Tournament on March 28, 2009 in Lakeland, FL at The Club at Eaglebrooke with 40 golfers participating. Kicked off with a shotgun start, the teams of four participated in a best ball “scramble” style competition. Great food was served, followed by an awards reception, however the highlight was when IDF Board Member John Smith and his wife Heather, IDF volunteer, took the opportunity to tell their personal story.

“SCID, Angels for Life Foundation was founded in 2008 to honor my two sons, Brandon and Taylor Dahley, who were both born with SCID. While Brandon lost his battle with SCID in 1993, we benefited from the knowledge learned in Brandon’s short life. Taylor is now a teenager with a bright future,” Heather explained. “My husband John and I started this Foundation in order to raise awareness of SCID in the hope that someday families will not have to endure the loss of a child from this devastating disease.”

For many in attendance this was their first opportunity to learn about SCID and PIDD. The proceeds, \$12,000, were presented to the IDF SCID Initiative.

Planning is already underway for next year’s event so mark your calendars for Saturday, March 2010. For more information on participation or sponsorship opportunities contact Heather at

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To learn more about SCID, Angels
for Life Foundation, visit
[www.primaryimmune.org/you
_can_help/idf_scid_initiative.htm](http://www.primaryimmune.org/you_can_help/idf_scid_initiative.htm).

SCID, Angels for Life was also the
recipient of pledges for Tim
Schwarz's "Stop SCID for Kids"
run in the Chicago Marathon on
October 11. Julie and Tim
Schwarz are the parents of four-
year-old Caz, who was diagnosed
with SCID as an infant and they
wanted to find a way to help other
families affected by SCID. Despite
having never run a marathon before,
Tim trained hard and finished the 26.2-
mile run in 4 hours and 22 minutes.
His amazing efforts garnered pledges
in excess of \$7,000 with more still
coming in. Tim's effort exemplifies
what one individual can do to make
a difference.



Ava and Caz Schwarz