



From left: Harold Wimmer, American Lung Association; Mark Watson, CDS Office Technologies; dean emeritus Richard H. Moy, M.D.; Kounosuke Watabe, Ph.D.; John Ross, Raymond James Financial Services; and Joe Ushman, Ushman Communications.

\$60,000 Donated for Pulmonary Research

The Richard H. Moy, M.D. Pulmonary Research Fund has received \$60,000 from the American Lung Association of Illinois. The Fund, now in its seventh year, promotes research in pulmonary medicine and supports the Association's ongoing partnership with the SIU School of Medicine in the battle against lung disease.

"The partnership between SIU School of Medicine and the American Lung Association of Illinois has created a greater awareness of the necessity to work together in order to win the fight against lung disease," says Dawn Kuhn, director of the central service area for the American Lung Association.

The money was raised June 5 at the annual Springfield Golf Classic™ at the Panther Creek Country Club. Mark Watson of CDS Office Technologies chaired the committee

that planned the event. Co-chairs of the event were John Ross of Raymond James Financial Services, and Joe Ushman of Ushman Communications. Corporate Sponsors were Blue Cross/Blue Shield, HPR Automotive Group, and CDS Office Technologies. Supporting sponsors were The Printing Center, NewsChannel 20, and WMAY/WNNS.

The golf outing continues to grow every year, says Kuhn, who is the event director, with 216 people participating this year. With continued growth, she expects that the golf outing will expand to two golf courses.

That could mean more money for researchers like Kounosuke Watabe, Ph.D., who received funds from this year's grant. Dr. Watabe is working to develop new clinical strategies for treating patients with lung cancer by restoring the function of a gene that stops tumors from spreading. ■

Thanks for Giving

As holiday festivities draw near many people also begin assessing year-end tax planning strategies such as charitable gifts.

As an alumnus or friend of the School of Medicine you may be considering a gift to the School that will help advance medical research, augment educational endowments or support broader School initiatives. You may also choose to use gifts to honor family members, friends or past professors.

While many people think of cash donations when they think about charitable gifts, more and more donors are contributing stocks and other securities. In many cases, securities that have been held for several years have dramatically grown in value. By making a donation of appreciated securities directly to the School you will avoid paying capital gains taxes and may also secure a substantial tax deduction.

Donors also can choose from among several trust, annuity and fund options that can be designed to provide income for themselves, their parents or children for their lifetimes. In addition to providing a financial benefit to the School of Medicine, these types of giving vehicles can result in substantial tax savings and tax deductions.

If you are considering a gift of non-cash assets, it is important to plan your gift as soon as possible due to the complexity of some transactions. In some types of gifts, such as trusts or annuities, careful planning by both the donor's financial representatives and School financial planners is required.

The School of Medicine and the Foundation office wish to thank all of the donors who have given so generously of their resources and time throughout the year. Your contributions play an important role in helping the School achieve its mission of improving health care for the people of central and southern Illinois.

If you would like additional information about charitable gift planning please contact Sandra Jennings, acting director of development, SIU Foundation, at 217-782-2955. ■