Act Against Cancer Spotlight

Restoring Balance Seeks to Meet People Where They Are

When Jason Pedwaydon lost his mother to cancer, his life took a turn.

"I was just lost," he recalls. "I didn’t know what to do, so I turned to fitness and found some relief."

Mr. Pedwaydon hails from a family of athletes and had long been active in sports, but his grieving process prompted a shift in focus, from competition to fitness: endurance, strength, flexibility, cardiorespiratory health and body composition. The release it provided was powerful, and he also was building his own resilience — a sense of strength that would serve him well years later when he was diagnosed with lymphoma in his early 40s.
Skin Cancer Chemoprevention

In every corner of our state, the sun beats down on towering saguaros, gangly roadrunners and dry river beds. The sun’s ultraviolet (UV) rays are the primary cause of skin cancer, and although they are hard to avoid in Arizona, many steps can be taken to reduce skin-cancer risk.

Skin cancer falls into two main categories, depending on which skin cells are affected. The most common types of skin cancers, basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma, originate from cells called keratinocytes. These cells produce keratin, the hard substance that allows your skin to act as a barrier between you and the outside world.
Ali McBride, PharmD, MS, BCOP, began his term as the 2019–2020 President of the Association of Community Cancer Centers (ACCC) on March 22, 2019, during the 45th Annual Meeting and Cancer Center Business Summit.

Read more here.

Mariajose Franco’s time at the University of Arizona has been nothing short of impressive.

Franco graduated with honors and with dual degrees in molecular and cellular biology and physiology, and has worked with the UA Cancer Center for the past two years, combining her passion for medicine and research.

Read her story here.

Lisa Quale, a senior health educator at the University of Arizona Cancer Center’s Skin Cancer Institute speaks on how to prep for a Tucson summer.

Read the full article here.
Dr. Nova Foster was featured in a KGUN9 story about the FDA's proposed changes to mammogram guidelines.

Read the story here.

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