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Vistancia will host the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life – the world's largest fundraising event to end cancer from noon to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Nov 5. The event held in communities across the nation symbolizes hope and a shared goal to end a disease that threatens the lives of so many people.

Teams of walkers will take turns walking a quarter-mile course at Vistancia's Mountain Vista Club in The Village at Vistancia, located at 29701 N. Sunrise Point in Peoria.

The event will include cancer survivor speaker, Michelle Whitlock, author of "How I Lost My Uterus and Found My Voice." A memoir of love, hope and empowerment, the book shares Michelle's inspirational story of falling in love, battling HPV, confronting her conflicting feelings about motherhood, becoming her own best advocate and survival.

In addition to the walk, the event will feature entertainment and activities for participants including cancer prevention educational stations for children, a luminaria ceremony to honor and remember those who have fought cancer, live music, games, raffle drawings, and a survivor luncheon sponsored by Blackstone Country Club at Vistancia. The Vistancia Information Center team will be selling handmade angels for \$10 each, with all proceeds going to the American Cancer Society to fund programs, services and research.

Attendance to the event is free and open to the public. Registration is available at www.relayforlife.org/vistanciaaz.

The award-winning Vistancia community is located in Peoria and set amongst a stunning backdrop of mountain ranges featuring dramatic views of White Peak, Twin Buttes and the Bradshaw Mountains in pristine desert surroundings. Take Loop 303 to the Lone Mountain Parkway (exit 127). The Vistancia Information Center is located at the guard-gated entrance of Blackstone at Vistancia. For more information about Vistancia visit <u>www.vistancia.com</u> or call 623-933-6233.