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Gouda Times for a Gouda Cause

***The Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation Women's Council
raises funds for hospital at wine-tasting***

(GLENDALE, CA, August 10, 2006) — The Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation Women's Council and their guests had a very "Gouda" time during their fund-raising evening at gourmet store Goudas & Vines, in Montrose, on Friday, July 28.

More than 40 people attended the event and tasted a wide selection of wines, accompanied by an equally tantalizing array of delicious hors d'oeuvres.

Suzonne Slaughter, one of the Women's Council's special event co-chairs, said the wine-tasting evening was a successful event for the hospital.

"It was a fabulous event enjoyed by all," Slaughter said. "And the best thing is that funds raised from the ticket sales will help benefit the hospital."

Jackie Genofile, a hospital volunteer who attended the event, added: "It was a delightful evening with good company, good wines - and good food!"

Since the Women's Council first formed in 1973, it has contributed more than \$2.5 million in funds to Verdugo Hills Hospital, helping it to buy new equipment, upgrade medical facilities, and develop a variety of patient and community programs.

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Gouda1: Special event co-chair Suzonne Slaughter, Verdugo Hills Hospital President and CEO Leonard LaBella, and special event co-chair Kate Kaneko.

Gouda2: Women's Council member Sue Wilder and her husband Steve, Charlie Mason, Randy Slaughter, Loretta Levy, Jeff and Laurie Smith, and Todd Arnold.

Verdugo Hills Hospital is a 158-bed nonprofit primary care facility nestled in the foothills between Glendale and La Cañada Flintridge. The hospital features all private rooms, 24-hour emergency services, comprehensive inpatient and outpatient diagnostic and treatment facilities, and a family birthing center. It is the only independent, freestanding hospital in the greater Foothill communities and was voted "Foothill's Best" hospital by the readers of the Glendale News-Press and Foothill Leader for the past three years. For more information, visit www.vhhospital.org.

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