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**Golf Tournament Tees-Up for VHH and Raises \$185,000**

(GLENDALE, CA – May 30, 2008) – Community leaders, physicians, sponsors, donors and volunteers of Verdugo Hills Hospital (VHH) attended the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic at the Valencia Country Club on May 12, to help raise funds for the community hospital. The hospital’s signature fundraising event was sold out and raised \$185,000.

Tournament Co-Chair, Dave Elliott, was pleased with the results: “Valencia Country Club is an excellent course, and we had a great day of competition. Most importantly, we were pleased to meet our goal of raising \$185,000 for the hospital. Dick Cook, my co-chair, and I are both long-time members of the VHH Foundation Board and are strong supporters of the hospital because we have both personally benefited from having this resource in our community. It was a pleasure to help with this event.”

“We are both very happy that this year’s tournament was, once again, a tremendous success for the Hospital due to our tremendous co-chairs, the committee, numerous volunteers and all of the participants. Everyone made the day a special one and one to remember,” said Steve and Sue Wilder, co-tournament directors.

The lead tournament sponsors were *Eagle Sponsors* **The Walt Disney Studios** and **Horizon Health** and *Birdie Sponsor* **Technicolor, Inc.** *Par Sponsors* included: Aon; Cogdell Spencer Advisors; Copy-R Office Solutions; Cornerstone Research; Delta Health Systems; Dr. Pepper; HFS Consultants in partnership with Contract Support Services; Marsh; and Professional Business Bank. The tournament luncheon sponsor was Caltech Employees Federal Credit Union. And the cocktail reception was sponsored by: Foothill Emergency Physicians: Drs. Berkenbile, Dorian, Hackett and Tashman; and Physicians Associates of the Greater San Gabriel Valley.

Tournament winners: John Osterkamp, M.D., Stephen Owens, M.D., Thomas Grosch, M.D., and Carl Montgomery took first place in the Eagle Flight contest. The Birdie Flight first-place award went to Gary Frazier, Craig Beam, Bryce Stafford, and Russ Hamelin. The Par Flight first-place winners included Len LaBella, Jim Barber, Mel Trousdale, and William Foran, M.D.

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The Eagle Flight second-place winners included Mike Taylor, Rick Walker, Steven Bush, and Dean Blomquist. The Birdie Flight second-place award went to John Genovese, Fred Anderson, Dan Peate, and Mark Freidman. The Par Flight second-place winners included Ted Costas, David Gray, Steve Venezia, and Gary Epstein.

The Eagle Flight third-place winners included Christopher Burgee, Jeff Arnst, Jonathan Dochterman, and Paul Celuch. The Birdie Flight third-place award went to George Strong, Jr., Richard Dalbeck, Gary Olsen, and Lawrence LaPorte. The Par Flight third-place winners included Brent Fogel, Shannon Nash, Kevin Streeter, and Steve White.

**About the Hospital:**

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, free-standing hospital in the greater Foothills community and was voted “Foothills’ Best Hospital” for 2008 by readers of the *Glendale News-Press* for the fifth consecutive year. For more information, please visit [www.vhhospital.org](http://www.vhhospital.org). For more information about funding initiatives or to support the hospital, please call the Foundation at 818.952.2226.

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