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Excitement Builds Around Fall Fundraiser

(GLENDALE, CA – July 10, 2007) – The Women’s Council of Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation will host The Main Event “Dreams of Fall” at the Oakmont Country Club on Saturday, October 27, at 6 p.m. The hospital’s annual fund-raising event will include dinner, dancing, live and silent auctions, and live entertainment.

The funds raised at The Main Event will be used primarily for assisting with the funding requirements for a new digital mammography machine at Verdugo Hills Hospital.

“Digital is certainly the next step in both diagnostic and data management,” said Scott Cameron, Director of Medical Imaging and Cardiology at Verdugo Hills Hospital. “The key to survivability in breast cancer is early detection, so any edge you can give to patients about early detection means you are ahead of the game.”

The Women’s Council is looking forward to having another outstanding evening of fundraising activities, said Women’s Council Chair Betty Hurn. “Women’s Council members are hard at work planning this event and anticipate it will produce another significant contribution to the hospital,” Hurn said. “We are asking for your participation in this worthwhile event, either in the form of a donated item for our auctions, or as a monetary sponsor for the event.”

The Women’s Council cumulative contributions to the hospital are rapidly approaching the \$3 million level. The Council’s goal this year is to reach that milestone.

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“My passion, enthusiasm and devotion for Verdugo Hills Hospital has grown and intensified over the past 38 years, primarily through service to the hospital,” said Mary Reichley, one of the Women’s Council Fundraising Chairs. “We are so fortunate to have this freestanding community hospital in our midst. I’m proud to say that Verdugo Hills Hospital has been and will continue to be an important part of my life.”

Individual tickets to The Main Event cost \$150 and table sponsorships, with seating for eight, are \$1,200. To reserve your tickets or for more information on sponsorship options or donating an auction item, please contact the Verdugo Hills Hospital Women’s Council at 818.952.2228.

The 2007 Women’s Council Fundraising Committee consists of: Betty Hurn, Chair; Chris Mason, Chair-Elect; and Fundraising Chairs Kate Kaneko, Ruth McNevin, Mary Reichley, Suzonne Slaughter, and Sue Wilder. The committee is meeting to assure that plans are firmly in place to guarantee a fabulous evening.

The Women’s Council members include: Eileen Ackers, Liz Arnold, Nancy Barnett, Penny J. Clark, Virginia Clegg, Margaret Gray, Marie Hansen , Sharon Harker, Pauline Hendricks, Kate Kaneko, Loretta Levy, Margaret Lewin, Susan O’Toole, Teri Rice, Chris Rothrock, Cindy Sawyer and Jean Woody. For more information about the Women’s Council, visit www.vhhospital.org/foundation_who_council.asp.

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 “Foothill’s Best Hospital” for 2007 by readers of the *Glendale News-Press*. Several physicians on staff also received recognition as the best in the community, including: Dr. Scott W. Beeve, Foothills Best Ophthalmologist; Dr. Allan W. Perry, Jr., Foothills Best Plastic Surgeon; Dr. Richard L. Rupp, Foothills Best Podiatrist; Dr. William F. Schubert, Foothills Best Family Physician; Dr. Jane S. Wada, Foothills Best Dermatologist; and Dr. Ronald D. Woodard, Foothills Best Obstetrician/Gynecologist. For more information, please visit www.vhhospital.org.

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