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Women's Council Summer Party, a Paradise in the Canyon

(GLENDALE, CA – July 31, 2008) – The Women's Council of Verdugo Hills Hospital (VHH) and Foundation hosted its Summer Party on Saturday, July 26, at Senna Ranch in Sun Valley, at the lovely home of John Mote, a friend of Women's Council friend Lori Lightfoot. From spectacular poolside dining to live music by the Title Wave and catering by Ruth's Catering of Montrose, the event helped raise \$1,900 for VHH.

“The Women's Council is so grateful to friends like John Mote and Lori Lightfoot who, by opening Senna Ranch to us for our summer event, gave us an opportunity to host our fabulous party and raise funds for Verdugo Hills Hospital,” said Chris Mason, Women's Council Chair. “Through their generosity and through the generosity of Liz Rusnak Arizmendi of Rusnak Pasadena, who sponsored the Pasadena Pops auction items (two tables of 10), we were able to raise \$1,900 toward our fundraising goal for this year.”

“The Verdugo Hills Hospital Women's Council Summer Event was truly a special evening,” said Suzonne Slaughter, the summer event Chair. “Senna Ranch was a great setting for such a fun experience with our wonderful friends.”

This fund-raising event provided an opportunity to build awareness for the Women's Council, whose mission is to promote and advance the welfare of VHH through public relations and fund-raising activities. To date, the Women's Council has raised close to \$3 million for the Hospital.

Committee: Suzonne Slaughter, Chair; Chris Mason, Women's Council Chair; Eileen Akers, Betty Hurn; Ruth McNevin; Teri Rice and Mary Reichley. Also, Andrew Arizmendi, II, son of Liz and Andrew Arizmendi (guests of the evening), was the Women's Council helper, as part of his community service project for Loyola High School (he is an incoming freshman).

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Bartenders for the evening were Charlie Mason, Randy Slaughter, Gary Rice, Steve Wilder and John Berger.

The guest list included: Dr. Ignacio and Paula Acosta; Robert and Eileen Aikers; Liz Rusnak Arizmendi and Andrew Arizmendi; Marty Berg; John and Jennifer Berger; Sandee Clow; Jill Garber; Margaret and Fred Gray; Carol Hix; Dennis and TinaMarie Ito; Margaret and Jeff Kean; Len LaBella; Loretta Levy; Jo and John Loomis; Charlie and Chris Mason; Ruth McNevin; John Mote and Lori Lightfoot; Irene and Heinz Mueller; Paul and Mary Reichley; Gary and Teri Rice; Tom and Alyce Russell; Suzonne and Randy Slaughter; Mel and Cindy Trousdale; Steve and Sue Wilder; Scott and Robyn Wilkes.

The Women's Council will celebrate its 35th year this year during the hospital's major annual fund-raising event, The Main Event, on November 1, 2008, at the Glendale Hilton. For more information, please contact the Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation Women's Council at 818.952.2228.

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 2008 by readers of the *Glendale News-Press* for the fifth consecutive year. For more information, please visit www.vhhospital.org.

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