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Women's Council Luncheon Celebrates Successes

(GLENDALE, CA – December 20, 2007) – Friends of Verdugo Hills Hospital (VHH) celebrated the success of the 35-year-old community hospital and the VHH Foundation Women's Council Board of Directors during the Council's Christmas Luncheon on December 13 at the Athenaeum in Pasadena.

As part of the holiday celebration, the Women's Council - the largest donor to VHH - presented a check in the amount of \$216, 208 to the hospital, which will be used toward the purchase of digital mammography equipment. The funds were raised at The Main Event, the hospital's annual fundraising gala, this past October.

In addition, Women's Council member Kate Kaneko was presented with an Honorary Lifetime Membership to the Council. "I humbly accept such a respected position in the ranks of our Women's Council honorary membership," said Kaneko, who was surprised to receive the honor.

"The recognition of Kate Kaneko as an Honorary Member of our organization gives recognition to members who have given so much to the Women's Council and to the hospital," said Betty Hurn, 2007 Chair of the Women's Council.

"When all is said and done, working together does not only bring out the best in all of us, it brings out the best in each of us," said Mary Reichley, co-Fundraising Chair of the Women's Council. "My involvement with the Women's Council is one of the highlights of my volunteer work today. I treasure being involved with such a dynamic group of professional women."

The luncheon also included the installation of the 2008 Women's Council Board of Directors. "The installation of a new slate of officers assures that the Women's Council of Verdugo Hills Hospital will continue to be a major fundraiser for the hospital," said Hurn.

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“What an honor to be a part of this dynamic group of women,” said Chris Mason, newly elected Chair of the Women’s Council. “The love and good will that lives in every heart is such a rare and beautiful thing to behold.”

The 2008 Women’s Council Board of Directors is:

Chair	Chris Mason
Chair Elect	Ruth McNevin
Fundraising Chair	Betty Hurn, Kate Kaneko, Mary Reichley
Membership Chair	Marie Hansen, Sharon Harker
Program Chair	Eileen Akers, Sue Wilder
Corresponding Chair	Virginia Clegg, Margaret Gray
Treasurer/Finance	Betty Hurn
Forum	Committee
Publicity/Historian	Mary Reichley
Sponsorship/Donation Chair	Dr. Randy Medina, Mary Reichley
Parliamentarian	Pauline Hendricks
Special Event Chair	Sharon Combs, Suzonne Slaughter, Teri Rice
Members-At-Large	Jan Beyer, Jackie Genofile, Loretta Levy, Susan O’Toole, Chris Rothrock, Cindy Sawyer, Jean Woody
Nominating Resource Chair	Betty Hurn
Nominating Resource Committee	Marie Hansen, Kate Kaneko, Chris Mason, Ruth McNevin, Mary Reichley, Suzonne Slaughter, Sue Wilder

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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