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HOSPICE OF THE VALLEY HOSTS WESTERN GALA

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and families facing life-limiting illnesses*

April 9, 2007– San Jose CA – Hospice of the Valley, the oldest community-based, nonprofit hospice serving Santa Clara County since 1979, hosts its 27th Annual Western Gala—“Eureka” – 6:00 P.M., Friday, May 11, 2007 at The Summit Center on Fourth Street in downtown San Jose. Set in a stunning western-themed backdrop, the evening includes premium wine tasting, an elegant dinner, music, and a silent and live auction. Returning as Master of Ceremonies is long-time supporter Brian Adams of KLIV/KRTY radio. Funds raised will provide quality end-of-life care programs for adults, children and families facing life-limiting illnesses.

“We have a fabulous evening program planned for our guests,” said Sally Adelus, executive director of Hospice of the Valley. “They will have an opportunity to bid on auction items from Tiffany & Co. to week-long trips to Maui, Hawaii and Puerto Rico, as well as a variety of premium wines, golf packages, and much more.”

“Once again, returning as lead event sponsors are Hitachi Data Systems of Santa Clara and the Kirkorian Family Foundation of Campbell,” said Lynn Ubhaus, Hospice of the Valley Board President. “They are joined by Berliner Cohen and Heritage Bank of Commerce, both of San Jose. “We appreciate the ongoing support from individual donors to our event sponsors and to the local business leaders of our community.”

“The generosity of our community allows us to continue to provide and deliver the high quality palliative end-of-life care we are renowned for in Santa Clara County,” added Adelus.

Other early sponsors include Abbott, Stringham & Lynch of San Jose; Adaptec of Milpitas; Almaden Valley Athletic Club of San Jose; Bay Area Pain & Wellness Center of Los Gatos; Brannon’s Medical, Comerica Bank, Darling Fischer Mortuaries, all of San Jose; Sylvia and Jim Katzman of Saratoga; Leiter’s Pharmacy, Level III, McGrane Greenfield LLP, NPC Consulting, all of San Jose, and Willoughby, Stuart & Bening of San Jose. *The Mercury News*, KRTY 95.3/KLIV 1590 and *San Jose Magazine* return as our media sponsors and Calistoga Cellars and the Steven Kent Winery of Livermore as our wine sponsors.

Western Gala tickets: \$150.00 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. For tickets and sponsorship information, visit www.hospicevalley.org, call 408.559.5600 or email gala@hospicevalley.org

About Hospice of the Valley

Hospice of the Valley (HOV), the oldest community-based hospice in Santa Clara County, has provided compassionate end-of-life care and bereavement support to over 23,000 people since 1979. Affirming life and embracing comfort, dignity and quality of life, HOV provides the patient and family an interdisciplinary team approach to end-of-life care, which includes medical, social, psychological, spiritual, volunteer and bereavement support. HOV’s Community Grief Center provides individual and group grief support and is available to anyone experiencing a loss. A Children’s Grief Counseling program specializes in age-appropriate counseling for children and teenagers from ages 4 through 18. *Transitions*, a volunteer-based community service program designed to enhance the quality of life for individuals and their families facing life-limiting illness, provides clients with emotional support, education and practical assistance, is sponsored by Hospice of the Valley and funded by community grants and donations. HOV is a member of the California Hospice and Palliative Care Association and the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization and is a United Way agency. Call Hospice of the Valley at 408.559.5600 and, for *Transitions*, call 408.559.5610 or visit www.hospicevalley.org.

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Hospice of the Valley Western Gala FACT SHEET

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MASTER OF CEREMONIES

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WHAT

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WHEN

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WHERE

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SPONSORS

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HOW

Sponsorship opportunities, silent and live auction items and donations are appreciated. Call 408.559.5600, email gala@hospicevalley.org or visit www.hospicevalley.org

WHY

To increase awareness to hospice and raise needed funds for end-of-life care services and bereavement programs for adults, children and their families facing life-limiting illnesses in the community in which we live and serve.

COST

Tickets: \$150.00 per person. For sponsorship information and to RSVP, call 408.559.5600, email gala@hospicevalley.org or visit www.hospicevalley.org

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