



## **Kent Kirkorian Memorial Golf Tournament to Celebrate 10 Years of Giving to Hospice of the Valley**

*Funds raised benefit Hospice of the Valley's compassionate services and programs*

**SAN JOSE, Calif., Sept. 18, 2014** – For 10 years, golfers and non-golfers have participated in the Kent Kirkorian Memorial Golf Tournament, raising more than \$775,000, benefiting Hospice of the Valley's compassionate services and programs. This year's Benefit Dinner and Golf Tournament, "A Decade on the Green," will take place Thursday and Friday, Sept. 25 and 26 at Three Sons Ranch in Los Gatos and Cinnabar Hills Golf Club in San Jose.

The Kent Kirkorian Memorial Golf Tournament was established by the Kirkorian and Brodnik families in 2005 in memory of their father, Kent, who passed away in 2004. Kent was an entrepreneur, businessman, contractor and draftsman. In his memory, the family celebrates Kent's life and his love of golf while raising funds to support Hospice of the Valley's mission to affirm dignity and hope for those living with serious illness by providing comfort through compassionate palliative, hospice and grief care.

"Our father was larger than life and was known to throw himself into his work and endeavors," said Kim Brodnik. "Whether it was designing or constructing buildings, his love of vehicles, or his passion for toy trains, he was a dynamo. He was also a devoted husband and family man and 'Papa Train' to his five grandchildren."

Kent leveraged his artistic talent to help design buildings for the family's major development, the Kirkwood Plaza shopping center in Campbell. His community impact is still seen and felt.

"Our father lived and led by example and his remarkable legacy continues to live on through his children, family, grandchildren and longtime friends," said John Kirkorian. We are very proud of this signature event and pleased with the community's generous support of Hospice of the Valley."

This year's 10<sup>th</sup> annual event will begin with a Benefit Dinner, Thursday, Sept. 25 at the home of Kent's son, John Kirkorian, and his wife, Monica. The dinner at Three Sons Ranch in Los Gatos will feature an evening of barbecue, fine wines and western fun. Boots and jeans are encouraged. Silent and live auctions will benefit Hospice of the Valley. Tickets to the dinner are \$150 per guest or \$1,000 for a table of eight.

The Golf Tournament, on Friday, Sept. 26, will take place at Cinnabar Hills Golf Club, 23600 McKean Road in San Jose. Fees are \$250 a golfer or \$1,000 for a foursome. Players, non-players and the general public are encouraged to participate in Cinnabar Hill's first ever Golf Ball Drop to win cash and prizes.



Purchase golf balls: 1 for \$10; 3 for \$27; 5 for \$40 and 10 for \$80. All proceeds benefit Hospice of the Valley. Grand Prize: \$1,000 cash. Other prizes include foursome of golf at Cinnabar Hills; dining certificates; wines and much more. Winners need not be present to win.

Register online for the dinner and/or golf tournament and/or purchase golf balls visit [www.hospicevalley.org/golf](http://www.hospicevalley.org/golf). For more information, contact Amy Ramsey at 1.408.559.5600 or email [golf@hospicevalley.org](mailto:golf@hospicevalley.org).

“We are truly honored by the Kirkorian and Brodnik Family’s continued and very generous support of our mission,” said Sally Adelus, president and CEO of Hospice of the Valley. “The benefit dinner and golf tournament are a wonderful way to celebrate and remember Kent’s life while having fun and giving back to the community.”

### **About Hospice of the Valley**

Celebrating nearly 35 years of service to our community, Hospice of the Valley is a nonprofit organization that exists to support patients and their families during one of life’s most challenging – yet most meaningful – times. Hospice of the Valley provides serious illness and end-of-life care programs and services, including palliative and hospice care, grief counseling for adults, children and families, and emotional support, education and practical assistance. Established in July 2013, the [Palliative Care Center Silicon Valley](#), the first independent, community-based, licensed outpatient center of its kind in California for seriously ill patients and their families, is a division of Hospice of the Valley. Hospice of the Valley also provides a community resource website for patients and families at [seriousillness.org/santaclaracounty](http://seriousillness.org/santaclaracounty). Hospice of the Valley honors all cultures, beliefs, values and traditions and is committed to serving its diverse community and providing equitable access to care for all regardless of financial ability. For more information, call 408.559.5600 or visit [hospicevalley.org](http://hospicevalley.org).

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