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“WHEELS” GALA DRIVES SUPPORT FOR VNA SERVICES

“Wheels For Meals and More,” the Visiting Nurse Association’s first fundraising gala to benefit its Meals on Wheels, Home Care, and Hospice programs, was held March 25, 2007 at Park Place Porsche in Dallas

The “Wheels For Meals and More” theme underscored that VNA services are “driven” to patients’ homes. The event was chaired by Marianne and Roger Staubach. Mrs. Staubach is a VNA board member and long-time Meals on Wheels volunteer. Mr. Staubach and fellow Dallas Cowboys quarterback legend Troy Aikman are co-partners in Hall of Fame Racing and its car No. 96 DLP® HDTV Chevy of the NASCAR Nextel Cup Series. Car No. 96 was on display at the gala.

“Wheels For Meals and More” raised over \$281,000 that will be used in part to provide Meals on Wheels to individuals in Dallas County who are on a waiting list to receive the service. Proceeds from the event will also help VNA rebuild its headquarters in Dallas, which housed the Beatrice M. Haggerty Kitchen before a February 2005 fire destroyed the building. The Meals on Wheels kitchen is currently operating at a temporary site in Irving.

The new building will include volunteer training rooms, offices for VNA’s Meals on Wheels staff, a boardroom, and a larger Meals on Wheels kitchen. The new kitchen will have 3,000 more square feet than the previous kitchen, with the capacity to produce twice as many meals a day – 14,000.

Demolition of VNA’s fire-damaged building was completed in March 2006.

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Construction of the new building and kitchen on the same site at 1440 W. Mockingbird

Lane is scheduled to begin in late spring 2007, with completion planned for later in the fall.



Marianne and Roger Staubach addressed the more than 300 guests at VNA's first-ever fundraising gala, "Wheels For Meals and More," held March 27, 2007 at Park Place Porsche in Dallas. Over \$281,000 was raised from the event.

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