



\$36,000 Dinner Supports the North Shore Hospice
*Fuel Restaurant Teams up with Local Wine Aficionados
to Donate Spectacular Wine Dinner Featuring Ten 100-Point Red Wines*

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Vancouver, BC - A record \$36,000 was raised benefiting the North Shore Hospice for a private wine dinner for 10 set for August 28, 2008. It will be held at the home of North Shore residents and wine lovers **Lynn and Peter Henricsson**, and prepared by **Fuel Restaurant Chef Robert Belcham and Sommelier Tom Doughty**.

When Lynn and Peter Henricsson heard of the **April 2008 Lions Gate Hospital 8th Annual Gala Dinner & Wine Auction to benefit the North Shore Hospice**, they teamed up with the award winning Fuel Restaurant to donate a spectacular wine and dinner package. Wine has been a lifelong passion for the Henricssons and has taken them to leading wine regions around the globe. During their travels they have built an extraordinary wine collection, housed in their private cellar. *"One of our great pleasures in life is to spend time with like-minded people tasting great wines and exchanging ideas, so it's very rewarding to see charities benefit from this lifelong passion"* says Lynn Henricsson.

The donated wine and dinner auction package includes a cross section of some of the best wines, champagne and port in the world, showcasing ten 100-point red wines from Bordeaux, the Rhone Valley, Italy, Australia, and America (as rated by Robert Parker). The lucky auction winner and nine friends will join the Henricssons in their home for an extraordinary evening of the world's very best wines and a multi-course dinner expertly prepared by Fuel Restaurant's Chef Robert Belcham alongside Sommelier Tom Doughty. *"It's so exciting for me and Rob to work together on this opportunity and create a dazzling dinner menu to complement so many of the greatest wines in the world,"* says Doughty. **The package sold for a record \$36,000, and the dinner will take place on August 28, 2008.**

The Lions Gate Hospital's (LGH) 8th Annual Gala Dinner & Wine Auction took place on Thursday, April 24th, 2008 at the Capilano Golf & Country Club. It was an exciting event as it marked the culmination of the fundraising campaign for the North Shore Hospice. The evening included a reception; a three course dinner paired with wines; and was highlighted by silent and live auctions of rare and valuable wines. Due to the generous support of the auction donors and guests, the gala was the most successful to date, raising more than \$330,000, enabling the Hospice fundraising campaign to exceed its \$7.7-million goal. The North Shore Hospice will be part of VCH's continuum of care and will provide quality, end-of-life care in a

home-like setting to stable, terminally ill individuals.

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Fuel Restaurant provides expert service and incredible food in a comfortable and friendly setting, Executive Chef Robert Belcham sources out only the best quality regional products and does all his butchery in-house. The menu features incredible whole roast items and a wide selection of house made charcuterie. For the Fuel wine list, Sommelier Tom Doughty has assembled a collection of special vintages and esteemed producers, chosen to complement the food. These unique offerings are what sets Fuel apart and creates a truly unparalleled dining experience.

Fuel is open for lunch Monday to Friday from 12:00pm – 2:30pm, and dinner seven nights a week from 5:30pm. Fuel Restaurant is located at 1944 West 4th Avenue (@ Cypress), Vancouver BC. For more information please call 604.288.7905 or visit:

www.fuelrestaurant.ca

THE WINES

(Comments by Robert Parker, Global Wine Critic, Author & Wine Advocate)

1989 Krug Clos du Mesnil Champagne in magnum

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2003 Kongsgaard Chardonnay "The Judge" ('only' 99 points)

"...one of the most profound Chardonnays made in California."

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***All Red Wines Rated a Perfect Score of 100 Points**

1982 Chateau Mouton Rothschild – France, Bordeaux, Pauillac

"I have always felt the 1982 Mouton was perfect...spectacular... a legend!

~

1985 Sassicaia Tenuta San Guido – Italy, Tuscany

"...one of the greatest wines of the century....a stunning wine"

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1989 La Mission Haut Brion – France, Bordeaux, Graves

"Formidable... riveting... profound...so sexy to taste....legendary"

~

1990 Chateau Margaux – France, Bordeaux, Margaux

"...a majestic vintage for Chateau Margaux"

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2000 Domaine du Pegau Cuvee da Capo – France, Chateauneuf du Pape

"...a monument to old-vine Grenache, had virtually everything you could ever want in a profound Chateauneuf du Pape"

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2001 Greenock Creek Shiraz Creek Block – Australia, Barossa

"A perfect wine...magnificent...it represents the essence of wine"

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2002 Quilceda Creek – Washington State

"...ethereal delicacy yet immense power...harmonious, graceful and awesomely long"

~

1994 Harlan Estate – California, Napa Valley

"...comes close to immortality in the glass...satisfies all of my requirements for perfection...dazzling!"

~

2002 Araujo Eisele Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon– California, Napa Valley
“...elegance and nobility... super-well endowed as well as brilliantly pure and expressive”

~

2002 Sine Qua Non Just For The Love Of It – California, Central Coast
“...provocative....classic...the greatest California Syrah I have yet tasted.”

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1963 Fonseca Vintage Port – Portugal, Porto
“...one of the great modern-day classics of a vintage port”

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