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CHS Healthcare and the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile

Third Annual Ronald McDonald Care Mobile® Classic Raises \$130,000

The Third Annual Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Classic charity golf tournament which was held Friday, March 20, 2009, at the TPC Treviso Bay Golf Club has raised an estimated \$130,000 for the program. TPC Treviso Bay was the Tournament Sponsor for the 2009 RMCM Classic. Lesa Peterson, Corporate Project Director for CHS Healthcare said, “we anticipate that pledged funds will continue to be received through this week and so the final number will not be available until next week”.

Other sponsors of the event this year were TPC Treviso Bay, Arthrex (Corporate Sponsor), TIB Bank, Goodlette, Coleman, Johnson, Yovanovich and Koester, P.A., Premier Properties of Southwest Florida, Ryangolf Corporation, Porter Wright, DeAngelis Diamond Construction, and Johnson Engineering, WTS International, Betty McLean Travel, Emily Watt, Rogers Wood Hill Starman & Gustason, CPA, Yamron Jewelers, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Belfore, Harter Secrest & Emery, LLP, Germain Toyota, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Macero, Mr. Tom Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Peterson, and Dr. Mollie Ottina.

The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile is a mobile dental/medical unit for children in need. Use of this state-of-the-art vehicle is provided by Ronald McDonald House Charities® while staffing and services are the responsibility of CHS Healthcare. The Care Mobile is a model program with proven success, operating in more than 33 communities worldwide. Our local program involves 4 key steps: 1) identify children whose health is at-risk by providing medical and dental screenings and/or treatments, 2) provide educational materials on healthy lifestyles, 3) connect them to quality, affordable pediatricians/dentists for ongoing care, and 4) follow-up with the families to help them overcome obstacles to accessing health care, (such as lack of transportation or health insurance, language barriers) to ensure the children receive the health care they need.

The Care Mobile operates year-round at various locations throughout the county from Naples to Immokalee to Everglades City where low-income children live and have activities. The Care Mobile began providing services in November 2004. The program has screened over 10,000 children in our community.

If you would like to play the Fourth Annual Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Classic in 2010 and support children in your local community through the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile Program, just call CHS Healthcare at 239-658-3029. You can see information on how the Care Mobile cares for kids at www.Collier.org.

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