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## **Private Charity Event to Benefit St. Francis High School, Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy and Childrens Hospital Los Angeles**

Pasadena, CA - Classes of '93 and Friends Charity Event will be in Old Town Pasadena on Saturday, May 7, 2005, and will be the first 'unofficial reunion' of St. Francis High School and Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy. A benefit poker tournament for the two college preparatory high schools and Childrens Hospital Los Angeles will be from 8:00PM to 12:00AM. The event venue in Old Town Pasadena shines as an old cigar club that was once owned by George Hamilton as 'The Humidor'. Other donations will be raised thorough a silent art auction of painting, photography and drawing in the entertainment rooms and downstairs in the gallery.

Entry to the event is \$15 with drink tickets at \$2 to \$3. The poker tournament buy-in donation is \$100 with \$50 buy back-in available in the first two hours. While the event is not open to the general public, reservations are being taken from interested parties with ties to the Pasadena area. The event venue is located at 70 North Raymond Avenue in Pasadena.

From 8:00PM to 12:00AM there will be an Art Show with Silent Auction with painting, photography, drawing and graphics on the theme of "Living in Los Angeles". The minimum bid for an artwork in the show starts at \$100 to \$5000. Established and emerging artists from top art schools like UCLA, USC, Otis Arts, Art Center for Design and CalArts have been invited to submit and donate artworks. Other artists are also participating. Three of the emerging student artists will also be awarded a spot in a Max Racks postcard campaign throughout Los Angeles restaurants, bars, fitness clubs and other businesses. The postcard campaign will be for ClosetoHomes.com, a multimedia real estate start-up company.

Alumni from the graduating classes from 1990 to 1995 have been invited from St. Francis High School and Flintridge Sacred Heart Academy. After graduating from college, many of the alumni live and work in the Los Angeles and Pasadena areas.

Entertainment will be provided in the two main Humidor rooms by The Poker Guy.com. Sponsored prizes will go to the top three winners of a 'Texas Hold'em' poker tournament. Also, a private lounge room will showcase interior designs by Dressed to Close, a design company that creates clean and inspiring spaces within homes for sale. Some of the corporate sponsors of the event include Don Francisco Coffee Traders, Corporate Carrots, Kevin Hurley of Marcus and Millichap, Symphony Finance, Dana Scribner of United Independent Title Insurance, and Close to Homes.com.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the general funds of all three non-profit organizations. For Childrens Hospital Los Angeles, there has been a great need for funds funds after several unfunded government mandates, as well as the need to build a New Hospital.

The main event organizers are Michele Moore of H&M Estates and Matt Eggleston of

Cushman and Wakefield. H&M Estates is a luxury real estate company that focuses on consulting, marketing and sales locally and internationally. Matt Eggleston deals in commercial office and industrial space out of the Downtown Los Angeles offices of Cushman and Wakefield.

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