SPA GREGORIE'S RECEIVES HUMANITARIAN AWARD

In recognition of their unwavering commitment to philanthropy, Spa Gregorie's will be presented with the Women's Cancer Research Foundation's 2008 "Humanitarian Award."

NEWPORT BEACH and RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, Calif. – On Friday, May 9, the Women's Cancer Research Foundation (WCRF) honored Spa Gregorie's with its 2008 Humanitarian Award for the Spa's continual work in the community at its Annual "Faces of Courage" benefit brunch. Also being honored is Johnnette du Rand, who co-founded the "Greet the Day" charity with Spa Gregorie's. The Balboa Bay Club is the backdrop for this annual event for which more than 300 community leaders, cancer survivors, doctors, researchers, and key media members are expected to attend.

"I cannot be more pleased to accept this award on behalf of the company – and share the honor with fellow awardee Johnnette du Rand. It is her devotion to "Greet the Day" that has helped Spa Gregorie's be considered for this wonderful recognition," says Spa Gregorie's Principal Angela Cortright. "Community service is part of our mission statement, it is part of everything we do – the fabric of our company – and it is our privilege to promote the welfare of those around us.

Spa Gregorie's long history of philanthropy includes many of the county's charitable organizations. Specific to cancer causes, the Spa has an extensive annual involvement in support of the Orange County Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure and its Race for the Cure fundraising walk benefiting breast cancer education, treatment and research. A program the Spa helped bring to life and still fosters is "Greet the Day," now a stand-alone nonprofit organization devoted to assisting those with any variety of cancer. One day each month, the spa closes its doors to the public and offers cancer patients a day of much-needed rest and relaxation. With restoration as the goal, treatments such as foot and hand massages are also taken directly to the chemotherapy infusion centers to extend the healing power of touch where it is needed most.

"The word humanity is defined as one who is marked or motivated by concern with the alleviation of suffering," says WCRF Chairman and Founder, John P. Micha,

MD. “Thus, it is very fitting that Spa Gregorie’s receives this award. Spa Gregorie’s has shown many of our cancer patients a great deal of humanity.”

WCRF hosts this annual benefit brunch to raise funds and awareness about cancer. This year’s guest speaker is actress and cancer survivor Fran Drescher, who will share her inspirational story of beating uterine cancer with strength, courage and “gusto.”

Celebrating its 10th anniversary of pampering Orange County, Spa Gregorie’s is a recipient of top spa honors from *Citysearch, The Orange County Register’s Reader’s Poll* and *SqueezeOC.com*. A name synonymous with relaxation, tranquility and quality service, the Spa is a unique retreat for men and women looking to escape the rigors of daily stress and replenish body and soul. With locations in Newport Beach and Rancho Santa Margarita, Spa Gregorie’s offers a broad range of skin and body care that enhance wellbeing through treatments that nourish, heal and balance. Reservations are recommended for spa services and can be made by calling Spa Gregorie’s Newport Beach at 949.644.6672 or Rancho Santa Margarita at 949.858.9455. Both Spa Gregorie’s locations are open seven days a week; Monday from 11 a.m. – 9 p.m., and Tuesday though Sunday from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

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