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Great Wines, Great Food and Great American Singer/Songwriter Carole King Join Together to Raise More than \$1.1 Million for Camp Korey

Washington Wines Festival's second annual Wine Weekend pays tribute to Paul Newman

SEATTLE, July 13, 2009 – Continuing an 18-year tradition of giving, Washington Wines Festival recently held its 2nd annual Wine Weekend event, raising more than \$1.1 million for Camp Korey, a free of charge, medically supervised camp for seriously ill children, and the Washington Wine Education Foundation to promote awareness of the Washington wine industry. Eric Dunham and the Dunham family of Dunham Cellars were honored throughout the weekend for their contributions to Washington's wine industry. The event, which started on Friday, featured several winemaker dinners with renowned chefs including regional favorites Tom Douglas and Jason Wilson. The festivities continued on Saturday with a wine-tasting lunch in which more than 50 premium Washington state wineries participated. Highlights of the weekend also included a flawless live performance by legendary American singer and songwriter, Carole King who paid tribute to her old friend, Paul Newman and to Korey Rose, Camp Korey's namesake.

"Once again, Wine Weekend has succeeded in bringing together the best of Washington's wine culture and top chefs for a cause close to everyone's heart – kids," said Jim Rose, event chair. "Washington wineries have become internationally recognized and respected over the last several decades. With the success of Washington's growing wine industry comes the opportunity to give back to the community. For so many wineries to come together for this common cause is incredibly rewarding. But having Carole King perform, with her long history with the Hole in the Wall camps and relationship with Paul Newman, was a fitting tribute."

The setting at Camp Korey at Carnation Farm presented a picturesque setting for winemaker dinners that took place, among other locations throughout the farm, beside a trout pond, in a gazebo and in a beautifully set tent on an expansive field where actor Tom Skerritt and Carole

King enjoyed the cuisine, wine and beautiful sunset. Popular local cover band Shelley and the Curves rocked the house on Friday night with an impromptu guitar performance by Wine Weekend attendee and White Sox All-Star band co-founder and bassist Bernt Bodal, whose band members include former members of Queen and Yes.

On Saturday, guests started the day with a delicious breakfast sponsored by Krusteaz and activities such as tennis, yoga, fly fishing, hiking and golf before taking part in a wine tasting lunch hosted by 50 of Washington state's premium wineries. The live auction followed, emceed by KOMO TV anchors Kathi Goertzen and Dan Lewis. Generous wine-loving guests pledged \$253,000 in the raise the paddle portion. Top-selling auction lots included a private deep sea fishing trip for four with Camp Korey founder Tim Rose, vintner Greg Lille of DeLille Cellars and donor Joe Bundrant of Trident Seafoods. sold twice for \$65,000 each. Two fly fishing trips for six people to Ruby Springs Lodge in Montana hosted by Tim Rose and Washington Wines Festival co-Chairman Jim Rose were sold for \$50,000 and \$45,000, as well as a fabulous trip to Tuscany donated by WWF major sponsor San Pelligrino for two that included a last minute donation of an added trip to Antinori by Ted Baseler of Chateau Ste. Michelle that sold for \$10,000. Following the live auction, Tillicum Village and El Gaucho Restaurants provided a memorable salmon and steak dinner.

To top off the evening, guests were treated to an outdoor concert in a living room setting by Carole King who played hit after hit while the crowd sang along and danced. WWF co-chairman Jim Rose was treated to an impromptu singing of Happy Birthday by the crowd, led by Carole King.

About Washington Wines Festival

Washington Wines Festival was founded in 1990 by a group of wine lovers who wanted to promote local Washington wineries while giving back to the community. Over the last 18 years, Washington Wines Festival has raised and donated more than \$4 million to organizations such as Farestart, Washington Wine Education Foundation and Yakima Farm Workers Clinic. Camp Korey has been the beneficiary since Wine Weekend's inaugural event in 2008. Washington Wines Festival is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

About Camp Korey

Camp Korey is a medically supervised residential camp for children suffering from serious and life threatening illnesses at no cost to them. Camp Korey was founded by Tim Rose, father of

the late Korey Rose who passed away in 2004 at the age of 18 after battling bone cancer. Camp Korey is currently working with the Association of Hole in the Wall Camps, founded by Paul Newman, to meet the necessary requirements to become a member of the family of camps.

About Washington Wine Education Foundation

Washington Wine Education Foundation exists to provide funding for world class enology viticulture research, education and training programs specific to Washington State.

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