

## <<For Immediate Release>>

## 5 Nevada charities to be honored at luncheon

(Las Vegas) Five small, Nevada-based charitable organizations will be honored at the Gold Coast Hotel & Casino on **Tuesday, September 8**th for the Annual "Ordinary People, Extraordinary Measures" Recognition Luncheon. Members of the Nevada Chapter of the Community Associations Institute nominated and voted for those in Northern and Southern Nevada they felt had made a generous contribution of their time and resources to their local communities.

The following charitable organizations will be honored:

<u>From Northern Nevada:</u> Rave Foundation: This unique foundation brings the gift of time to the families of special needs children. High school volunteers are trained to care for, comfort, nurture and engage with children with special needs, while parents receive a momentary "break" from care giving responsibilities. <a href="http://www.nnrff.org">http://www.nnrff.org</a>

<u>Garden Of Hope:</u> There is a small garden located behind the kitchen of Mundo Restaurant. George Harris, owner, along with his chef, Robert Solano, requested to use the unused spot at the World Market Center as a therapy garden filled with art and plants for the cancer patients of the Candlelighter's Organization. <a href="http://mundolasvegas.com">http://mundolasvegas.com</a> and <a href="http://candlelightersnv.org">http://candlelightersnv.org</a>

<u>Fostering Southern Nevada</u>: Fostering Southern Nevada's goal is to recruit quality foster homes and educate as well as support the families who open their hearts to children in need. Many of the children have been victims of neglect and/or abuse, the extra care and support as well as financial donations made through Fostering Southern Nevada are "game changers" for these children. http://fsonv.com

<u>Divorced and Widowed Adjustment, Inc.</u>: This is the longest running support group organization of it's kind in Las Vegas. The organization provides no cost weekly support groups for men and women for divorce, bereavement, pet loss, suicide grief to name a few. www.info4nv.org

<u>I Care 4 You 2</u>: Terri Ayers makes beautiful custom teddy bears by hand and donates a "twin bear" to a children's charity. For every purchased bear, a bear is donated. Terri is rewarded by the smile sof the children receiving the twin bear. http://www.icare4you2.com

The recognition ceremony will be held in the Arizona Ballroom at the Gold Coast starting at 11:30 am on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **Reference Sheet**

Please Note: Members of the Media are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Chris Snow at 702-648-8408 or 702-286-3429 or marketing@cai-nevada.org

## **About the Community Association Institute**

The Community Association Institute (CAI) is a 33,000-member based international organization that represents homeowners and the neighborhoods in which they live. CAI provides education and resources to the Volunteer community leaders and professionals involved in the management of common—interest communities. The Nevada Chapter is one of 62 state and regional U.S. chapters. The Nevada Chapter serves the educational and business networking needs of volunteer leaders and professionals throughout all of Nevada. Comprising more than 1100 members, over 200 business partners, more than 400 professional managers and more than 450 community association volunteers, the Nevada chapter is one of the largest and most active chapters in the nation.

For more information, visit <u>www.cai-nevada.org</u>