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Hospice of Palm Beach County to Host Healing Hearts Angel Candlelight Ceremony

West Palm Beach, FL (December 5, 2006)—Hospice of Palm Beach County will host the annual Healing Hearts Angel Candlelight Ceremony in honor of families that have been touched by the death of a child. The ceremony will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2006 at 6:30pm at the Christmas Box Angel Monument in Kelsey Park, Lake Park (one block south of Northlake Boulevard). Families and guests are invited to light candles and place white flowers at the base of the monument to honor the lives of infants and children who have died. The angel monument was modeled after one inspired by *The Christmas Box*, a book by Richard Paul Evans in which a woman mourns the death of her daughter and finds solace by visiting an angel statue. The ceremony will feature music, readings by family members, and refreshments. The event is open to the community and is free of charge.

SHARE is the pregnancy and infant loss program of the John J. Brogan Horizons Bereavement Center, a program of Hospice of Palm Beach County. SHARE provides grief and bereavement support and specializes in pregnancy, infant, and child loss up to the age of five. For more information, call Raeann Meeker at (561) 227-5177.

About Hospice of Palm Beach County: *Hospice of Palm Beach County offers a wide range of services and educational programs designed to meet the special needs of patients and families faced with advanced illness. Expert physical, emotional and spiritual care is provided wherever the patient is - the home, skilled nursing or assisted living facility, hospital or hospice inpatient unit, including the C.W. Gerstenberg Hospice Center in West Palm Beach, the Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Pinecrest Delray, the Bethesda Memorial*

Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, the Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Good Samaritan Medical Center, the Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Palm Beach Gardens Medical Center and the Jay Robert Lauer Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at JFK Medical Center. The organization also offers full bereavement support to Hospice families and anyone in the community in need. Hospice of Palm Beach County's focus is on quality of life. The organization is sensitive to and respectful of religious, cultural and personal beliefs. Contact Hospice of Palm Beach County toll free at 888-848-5200 or visit the website www.hpbc.com for information.

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