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Betty Ferguson Foundation To Recognize Chancellor as Woman of Honor.

The Betty Ferguson Foundation has selected Dr. Dianne Van Hook, Chancellor of College of the Canyons, as their Woman of Honor for 2009. This marks a milestone anniversary for this event, now in its tenth year.

The Woman of Honor dinner will be held at the Tournament Players' Club (TPC) in Stevenson Ranch on Saturday, September 19th, 2009. The event will feature recognition of Dr. Van Hook by community leaders, friends, and family, and will be preceded by dinner and dancing. Tickets may be purchased at the Foundation Office, located at 25510 West Avenue Stanford, Suite 104 in Valencia, or by calling (661) 702 – 8712.

“Dr. Van Hook’s leadership, vision, and commitment to providing educational opportunities to girls and young women of the Santa Clarita Valley is unparalleled. She has served College of the Canyons as Superintendent/President for twenty years and will complete her first year as Chancellor on July first.” said Bruce Fortine, a member of the Board of Directors of the Betty Ferguson Foundation, and College of the Canyons Trustee.

“This event is fun, and it offers all of us involved an opportunity to publicly recognize and thank someone who has done so much for the people here in Santa Clarita. I expect us to have a record turnout.” said Judy Cox, Betty Ferguson Foundation Co-Founder.

TPC will provide a plated dinner, and local Journey Tribute Band: “Don’t Stop Believin’ ” will provide live music before and after dinner.

“For us, this event is the high point of every year.” said Marjanne Priest, Co-Founder of the Foundation. “We have honored several amazing women over the past nine years,” she continued, “and we are looking forward to seeing many of them at this year’s event!”

Prior honorees include Cheri Fleming, co-owner of Valencia Acura, Linda Hafizi, publisher of The Magazine of Santa Clarita, and Marleee Lauffer, VP of Marketing for Newhall Land. In 2008 The Foundation recognized Child And Family Center Founder Liz Seipel.

The Betty Ferguson Foundation is a California 501c3 Non-Profit, and has been in existence for over ten years. The “Train, Develop, Empower” motto communicates the foundations’ vision and mission. Betty Ferguson anonymously donated money for many women’s and girls’ needs over a period of years. Proceeds from the event will fund projects and initiatives approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors represents an eclectic mix of Santa Clarita community leaders, business people, professionals and others with a desire to serve.

To arrange interviews with the founders, or for further questions, please call the Foundations’ Media Contact: John Klymshyn.

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