



ENF HOPE NEWS

Harvest for Hope-A Delicious Success

Our third annual food and wine tasting, **Harvest for Hope 2006**, held on September 17 in Mission Hills was a tremendous and tantalizing success. The event was held from 3-7 p.m. on a spectacular late summer day at the beautiful hilltop home of Bobbie Bohannan. While listening to David Robinson singing opera, guests had the unique opportunity to enjoy a wide array of wines from local distributors and savor the delicious cuisine of more than a dozen of San Diego's top chefs and restaurants.

Attendees dined on items such as Soy Ginger Glazed Short Rib Raviolis, Grilled Peach Bruschetta, Moroccan Spiced Scallop Ceviche, Citrus Cured Wild Salmon,

Duck Confit on Crispy Wontons, Asian Chicken Salad, and Profiteroles with Passion Fruit Pastry Crème and Wild Strawberries. Such culinary delights were created by Croce's, Stingaree, Pamplemousse Grille, Molly's, Trattoria Acqua, Laurel/Chive/Kensington Grill, Cohn Restaurant

(Continued on page 2)



Urban Kitchen Culinary Team
Laurel/Chive/Kensington Grill

Richard Nares Speaks at LIVESTRONG Summit

ENF has had the fortune to benefit from an incredible relationship with the **Lance Armstrong Foundation**. Last year **LAF** granted ENF \$150,000 over three years to create our transportation program, **Ride with**

Emilio. Richard was invited to attend this year's **LIVESTRONG** Summit on October 27-29 in Austin, TX, to speak about the foundation's accomplishments. The **LIVESTRONG** Summit's purpose is to or-

ganize, inspire and direct the efforts of cancer survivors across the country to change the face of cancer survivorship. Richard was one of four delegate panelists who was selected to

(Continued on page 2)

Emilio Nares Foundation

Volume 2, Issue 1

December 2006

Executive Director

Richard Nares

President

Diane Nares

Board of Directors

Nimpa Akana

Donna Blanco

Jan Borkum

Andrew Ratner

Staff

Debra DePiro-Katz

Enrique Monteverde

Luz Quiroga

"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your **goal."**

Henry Ford

Harvest for Hope-A Delicious Success

(Continued from page 1)

James Quinones, weatherman at 10News, was a fabulous MC for the program and helped to liven up the silent and live auction bidding. Heartfelt speeches and thanks were given by Diane and Richard Nares, and Emily Deere, mother of precious 2-year old Ryan who has spent a great deal of his young life battling cancer.

The afternoon was topped off with live music from the multi-talented Eve Selis and her band.

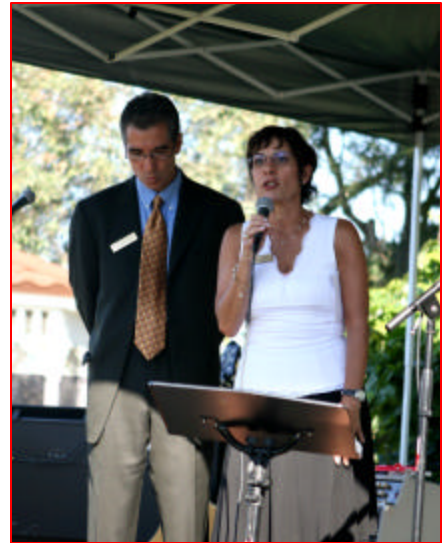
Over **\$80,000** was raised to sup-

port ENF's many programs, including the **Ride with Emilio** transportation program, **Family Wellness**, and the **Crisis Bridge Fund**.

ENF would like to thank the many sponsors, donors, attendees and committee members that made this incredible event so memorable and successful!

Save the Date!

Next year's **Harvest for Hope 2007** will be held on Sunday, September 16, 2007 from 3-7 p.m. At the Cappetta Estate in Rancho Santa Fe. Please join us for this fabulous event!



Richard Nares, Executive Director
Diane Nares, President

Richard Nares Speaks at LIVESTRONG SUMMIT 2006

(Continued from page 1)

tell their stories of how they were not only able to identify a problem within the cancer experience, but to take definitive steps to solve it. To a packed house of over 700 delegates, Richard outlined the **Ride with Emilio** transportation program's development, implementation, and its successes. Senator John Kerry spoke after Richard's presentation, and re-



Lance Armstrong and Richard Nares
LIVESTRONG Summit 2006

ferred to Richard as a perfect example of how someone created something good out of such personal tragedy. ENF thanks Lance and everyone at **LAF** for all the support and confidence they have given us to fulfill our goal of helping others.

**BEFORE
CANCER, I
JUST LIVED.
NOW I
LIVESTRONG.
Lance
Armstrong**

New Van for "Ride with Emilio"

We'd like to send our heartfelt thanks to the **Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary Club** for their incredible generosity in purchasing our second van for our **Ride with Emilio** transportation program. With the assistance of Katherine Willey and



Driver Enrique Monteverde
in our new Ride with Emilio
van.

Arturo Castro, our original request of \$15,000 was increased to \$23,000, the complete purchase price of a 2006 Ford Freestar van, once they heard we were in need of an additional vehicle. We are so pleased to be able to expand our transporta-

tion program with this second van so that we can serve more families who require transportation to and from their medical treatments. ENF is so grateful to all the members of the **Art Pratt Foundation of Old Mission Rotary Club** for giving us the ability to make more of a difference in the lives of these children who are battling cancer and other life threatening diseases.

Message from our Founders, Richard & Diane Nares

As we close another year in our ENF history, we reflect on how quickly time passes and all that has been accomplished.

Because of your support, ENF has increased the number of children and families whom we serve. Over 1300 children have been assisted through our "Ride with Emilio" Transportation Program. Our driver and our ENF van have traveled over 45,000 miles to get patients to and from Children's Hospital for their chemotherapy appointments.

Our "Wellness Program" continues to offer much needed support and relaxation to parents whose children

are in the hospital on a regular basis. We are in the process of establishing our ENF Resource Center, collaboration with the Ronald McDonald House of San Diego. We are also negotiating with Children's Hospital Orange County to establish our ENF Transportation Program.

We continue to be inspired by the courageous children that we meet. Children with cancer have wisdom beyond their years. They grow up quickly, as they learn how to face adversity & constant disappointment. A cancer diagnosis is a devastating & soul-searing experience which affects the entire family. Everyone's

dreams are put on hold as they climb the treacherous mountain that looms ahead.

Yes, we have been able to help in a variety of ways, but we still have a long way to go.

Every year in the U.S. 12,500 children will be diagnosed with leukemia and other forms of childhood cancer. Until there is a cure, ENF will be here to help children and they're families travel this "Life Changing" journey.

We need and appreciate your ongoing support!

With gratitude & blessings,

Richard & Diane

Resource Centers Open At Hospital & Ronald McDonald House

ENF has established a Resource Center at both **Rady Children's Hospital** and **Ronald McDonald House** so that all families can access information and support. The Resource Centers are staffed by an ENF Coordinator who will be bicultural and bilingual in English and Spanish, and qualified to conduct computer utilization training. Families receive help in searching the Internet for the most up-to-date medical and health information, com-

pleting applications for social services, and accessing vital information, aid, and support. The center at **Rady Children's Hospital** is staffed daily, and the center at **Ronald McDonald House** is staffed three days per week. This new project is part of ENF's **Family Wellness Program**, established at **Ronald McDonald House** approximately 2 years ago. Through this program, ENF provides on-site respite and health education for par-

ents and caregivers. Activities include sewing, knitting and jewelry making classes, and food safety and nutrition classes. Preschool education activities will also be a part of the Resource Center at **Ronald McDonald House** for families with small children residing at the house. This project was also made possible by a grant from the San Diego Padres Baseball Club that provided funds for the computer equipment and supplies.

"Extreme Makeover" ENF STYLE

ENF, along with the remarkable Diane Roberts of DC Roberts Design Associates, created an "extreme makeover" of room #106 at **Ronald McDonald House** in San Diego. **RMH** is a "home away from home" where families whose children are receiving treatment for cancer, leukemia and other illnesses at nearby Rady Children's Hospital can reside temporarily. Here, families and children can feel secure and stable while undergo-

ing a difficult journey.

Diane designed the room with a whimsical circus motif reminiscent of an old-fashioned circus tent. The living area has a double bed and single daybed, as well as a sitting area. The



Room #106 at Ronald McDonald House

full bathroom was also beautifully remodeled with new fixtures and gleaming tile. Diane was able to obtain materials and labor at no or reduced charge. We thank the many people that made this project possible, especially Diane!

EMILIO NARES FOUNDATION



KIDS' CANCER SUPPORT NETWORK

"Providing Information and Family Support Systems to Children with Cancer..."

P.O. Box 86165

San Diego, CA 93128-6165

877-507-7788 toll free

619-542-0939 fax

contact@emilionaresfoundation.org

Return Service Requested

About ENF

ENF was born from the experience of Richard and Diane Nares, whose 5-year-old son, Emilio, lost his courageous battle with leukemia six years ago. During that time, the Nares' realized first hand what little resources exist to support the immediate needs of children and families who are coping with cancer, particularly those with little resources of their own. The Emilio Nares Foundation was created to respond to the unmet needs of these vulnerable

families, with the mission to secure the best possible treatment and highest quality of life for children afflicted with cancer, with an emphasis on underserved, low income patients. ENF provides counseling, aid referrals, emergency financial assistance, parent/family wellness programs and transportation to those in need.



Recent Press



The Special Survivors Issue of **Cure Magazine**, a publication made possible by the **Lance Armstrong Foundation**, features an article by Richard Nares detailing the account of his participation in **LIVESTRONG DAY** on Capitol Hill on May 17, 2006.

To read Richard's article entitled "**For My Son**" on the internet, please go to: www.curetoday.com/backissues/v5n3/profiles/mountain/index.html.

Also, The November '06 issue of **Selecciones**, Reader's Digest Spanish Edition, highlights Emilio's legacy in their **Triunfadores** (Triumphs) section. You can see Richard's photo on the magazine's back cover (Gary Payne/Getty Images).

