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### **MK Pritzker and The Woman's Board of Northwestern Memorial Hospital to Host Third Evergreen Invitational**

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Chicago, Illinois – July 22, 2010 – MK Pritzker and The Woman's Board of Northwestern Memorial Hospital look forward to hosting the third Evergreen Invitational on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at Evergreen Farm in Bristol, WI. Top riders will compete for a purse in a \$75,000 Grand Prix and \$25,000 Junior/Amateur Owner Classic sponsored by R. Bruce Duchossois and H 'n D Stables, Inc. Proceeds from the competition will benefit innovative programs at Northwestern Memorial Hospital.

Due to scheduling difficulties, the event wasn't held last year. It's clear that supporters and riders are eager to make their way back to the 230-acre farm owned by MK Pritzker for this anticipated event. Recognized as one of the Midwest's most respected charity competitions, the Evergreen Invitational attracts top national and international horses and riders. Past competitors include Margie Engle, Beezie Madden, Charlie Jayne, Maggie Jayne and Kent Farrington.

As in past years, both Junior/Amateur Owner Classic and Grand Prix courses will be designed by Richard Jeffrey, who is known for his creative and challenging designs. Riders can expect tricky turns, angles and combinations. Both jumping competitions will be held on the outdoor grass field, which has impeccable footing. There are comfortable, permanently roofed show barns for all visiting competitors. The stalls, wash racks and spacious aisles make for ideal showing arrangements. There will also be a hospitality tent with catered food for all riders, trainers and barn members. This year's Master of Ceremonies/Announcer will be John McQueen.

Also returning this year will be the Promenade of Shops, a tented area of luxury retailers. Guests will be able to browse shops including Dennis Basso, Michael Kors, Escada, Saddlers Row and many more.

The \$25,000 Junior/Amateur Owner Classic will kick off the day promptly at 10:30 a.m. Guests will enjoy a delicious buffet as they break for lunch in between the classes. After lunch, the course will be transitioned to the \$75,000 Grand Prix course for a 1:00 p.m. start time. A Winner Presentation at 2:30p.m. will conclude the event.

In past years, the Evergreen Invitational has attracted over 600 guests and raised almost \$2,000,000 for Northwestern Memorial Hospital. For more information about the Evergreen Invitational or to register as a competitor, please visit [www.evergreeninvitational.org](http://www.evergreeninvitational.org) or call Northwestern Memorial Foundation at 312.926.7133.