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The Simon Konover Company Recognized for its Contributions to The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp



Following the luncheon, members of Team Simon Konover were provided a tour of The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp. Pictured here are Ken Alberti, Director of Development for the Camp; James Wakim President and Chief Operating Officer of TSKC; James Canton, Chief Executive Officer of the Camp; Jane Coppa, Chief Executive Officer of TSKC; and Raymond Shedd, Director of Corporate & Foundation Relations for the Camp.

Hartford, CT – December 20, 2011 – The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp recently hosted a luncheon to recognize The Simon Konover Company and its strategic partners for their ongoing commitment to the Camp and its remarkable mission.

Since 2009, The Simon Konover Company has raised over \$222,000 for The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp, located in Ashford, Connecticut. A majority of this money was raised through the Hole in the Wall Gang Camp Challenge Ride, an annual charity cycling event held in Connecticut. The Challenge Ride was initiated with the backing and assistance of Jane Coppa, Chief Executive Officer and James Wakim, President and Chief Operating Officer of The Simon Konover Company.

“We were seeking to establish a charity athletic event that could be replicated at camps across the country. The Simon Konover Company stepped up as our main sponsor of this event three years ago. Since then, we have raised over \$1.2 million dollars at camps around the country,” said James Canton, Chief Executive Officer of The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp.

Team Simon Konover is comprised of company employees and business associates who participate in the physically challenging 100 km cycling event through the rolling hills of northeastern Connecticut. In addition, employee volunteers play a critical role in managing the Camp Challenge Ride logistics. In addition to company employees, Team Simon Konover includes participants from strategic partners Shipman & Goodwin, KBE Building Corporation, J.H. Cohn, LLP, and Waterford Group.

The Simon Konover Company’s involvement with The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp began in 1987 when Simon Konover and his staff constructed the original facility. Since that time, The

Simon Konover Company has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to the Camp as an active sponsor of the Camp's Annual Fandango Benefit Gala, the Space & Aviation Day, as well as the Camp Challenge Ride. In addition, Jane Konover Coppa is a member of the Camp's Board of Advisors.

"The selfless commitment to The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp began with Simon Konover. That tradition has been carried on through the hard work and devotion of Bob and Jane Coppa. Today, the dedication to this organization is part of the very fabric of The Simon Konover Company," said Jim Wakim, of The Simon Konover Company.

About The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp

Founded in 1988 by Paul Newman, The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp is a nonprofit, year-round center serving children and their families coping with cancer, sickle cell anemia, and other serious illnesses. Through summer sessions and family weekend programs at the Camp in Ashford, Connecticut, and year-round outreach to hospitals and clinics throughout the northeast, the Camp serves more than 17,000 children each year. All services are free of charge.

About The Simon Konover Company

Started over 50 years ago, The Simon Konover Company is a fully integrated real estate organization nationally-recognized as one of the premier real estate entities operating throughout the Midwest and Eastern United States.

Headquartered in West Hartford, Connecticut, The Simon Konover Company cumulatively employs over 600 people through its operating companies including Konover Commercial Corporation, Konover Hotel Corporation, Konover Residential Corporation, Simon Konover Development Corporation, SIKON Construction Services, LLC, and Konover South, LLC. The Simon Konover Company and its related-entities own and manage over 9,800 apartment units, 2.5 million square feet of office and industrial space, 2.8 million square feet of retail space, and 19 hotels. For more information, visit www.simonkonover.com.

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