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November

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2004

16th Annual

Festival of Trees and Lights Gala

Jim Rhodes

Hero of the Year

Jim Rhodes began his career as a custom home builder over 18 years ago and is today one of Las Vegas' preeminent master-plan developers.

In the early years, those in the building industry who knew Jim Rhodes, knew him as "the skinny kid who rode his bike to job sites and framed a house faster than anyone with a hammer." Over time, the street smarts and business savvy of Jim Rhodes helped him to build a company that today boasts over 770 employees with over 7000 homes built to date.

As founder and President of Rhodes Homes, Jim Rhodes is committed to building affordable, quality homes in the Las Vegas valley. In addition to the wildly successful master-planned community in the Southwest, Rhodes Ranch, Jim Rhodes is currently developing Tuscany, a unique master-planned community located in Henderson. Tuscany is planned to feature Tuscan-inspired architecture, a Ted Robinson designed golf-course, a state-of-the-art recreation, fitness and community center as well as a charming, boutique marketplace. Additionally, Jim Rhodes continues to develop more intimate neighborhoods of new homes ranging from townhome and condominium projects to ranch-style and custom communities.



Known for his progressive architectural designs and forward-thinking approach to land planning, Jim Rhodes has set the standard for quality and features offered in new homes throughout the Las Vegas valley. A lifelong resident of Southern Nevada, Jim Rhodes supports numerous philanthropic organizations including HELP of Southern Nevada, Tee Off For Kids and the Public Education Foundation, Deaf Kids Kamp, the Cystic Fibrosis Great Strides Walk, Several Sources, and the Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada.

Jim Rhodes built the first of four baseball fields at Desert Breeze Park where thousands of children and adults alike enjoy playing year-round. Jim Rhodes was the first developer to donate private land to the school district for construction of the Betsy Rhodes Elementary School, named after Jim's mom.



Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada

Mission:

The mission of the Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada is to enlighten the public by promoting a positive understanding of Down syndrome in the community and be a source of support, information and education for families and individuals affected by Down syndrome.

Vision:

The vision of the Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada is for individuals with Down syndrome to be accepted in the community and respected for their abilities and contributions.

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*The 16th Annual Festival of Trees and Lights
to Benefit the
Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada
Saturday, November 13th, 2004*

6:00 PM

Cocktail Reception

Silent Auction

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8:00 PM

Welcome

*by Dave Courvoisier and
Jamie Schwartz, Festival Co-Chair and Board member*

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Dinner Menu

Seared Polenta with Asparagus and Shitake Mushrooms
Young Romaine, Belgium Endive, Radicchio and Frissee Lettuces with
Champagne Grape Vinaigrette
Two Petite Filets with Roasted Shallot Confit and Cabernet Sauce
Potato Gratin Dauphinois
Broccolini
Freshly Baked Parisian Breads and Butter
Chocolate Marquis Cake with Chambord
Fresh Raspberry Garnish and Berry Coulis
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Special Performance by Glenn Smith

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Lisa Wright, DSDSN Chairman
Hero of the Year: Jim Rhodes
Presentation by John and Clayton Rhodes

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Live Auction

Guy Diero, Diero and Associates

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Complimentary wine and champagne provided by Southern Wine and Spirits - Bar service available
Piano by Southern Nevada Music

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The Down Syndrome Organization of Southern Nevada would like to thank you for attending tonight's Festival of Trees and Lights gala. Because of your generosity, hundreds of families throughout Southern Nevada receive the support, resources and encouragement they need to cope with the physical, emotional and financial challenges that come when a family member has Down syndrome.

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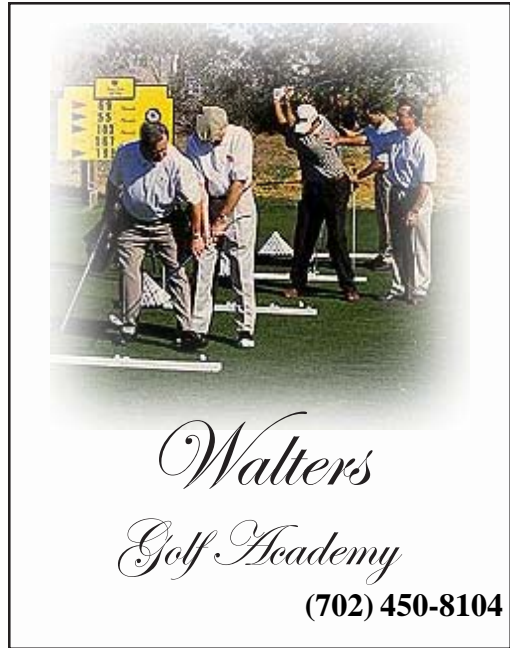
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