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Here for the Long Run

Community Celebrates Philanthropic Tradition

JACKSON, WY.,—September 12, 2009— Thousands gathered at the Town Square on Saturday to enjoy the perfect autumn weather and the camaraderie of Old Bill's Fun Run for Charities. They came in costumes, with dogs and by bike to support their favorite nonprofits. The youngest traveled the race course in strollers, their parents introducing them to this event that symbolizes community in Jackson Hole. As they toured over 100 nonprofit booths, participants enjoyed a free breakfast burrito with ingredients donated by the Bunnery.

"Even though I've watched the start of this race year after year, I'm always overwhelmed by the sight of 3,000 people celebrating philanthropy," said Katharine Conover, President of the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole. "Though we couldn't have had more perfect weather, I have seen the same number out here in the snow. Jackson has a long tradition of neighbors helping each other, and Old Bill's is the purest reflection of our commitment to one another."

While donations are still pouring in, nearly \$3.7 million has been raised so far for local organizations through the event. To date, Mr. and Mrs. Old Bill and 37 Co-Challengers have contributed over \$2 million to match the community's donations. In a year of uncertainty, the 2009 match pool reassures donors that their contributions through Old Bill's are a sound investment with guaranteed positive returns.

Donations are accepted at the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole office and online at www.oldbills.org until 5pm on Friday, September 18. The final dollar amount raised and match will be announced October 26th at the Old Bill's Awards Party at the National Museum of Wildlife Art.

Competitive winners at Old Bill's were awarded cash prizes to designate back to their favorite charities. Leading the competitive fields were:

Women's 10K:

- 1st Katy Hollbacher 40:43
- 2nd Karen Coddair 45:38
- 3rd Megan Tchopp 47:39

Men's 10K:

- 1st Willie Richardson 36:14
- 1st Tom Marshall 37:52
- 3rd Ryan Burke 38:14

Women's 5K:

- 1st Sarah Bourdenett 17:46
- 2nd Barb Lindquist 19:51
- 3rd Amy Smith 20:52

Men's 5K:

- 1st Mike Lunde 17:46
- 2nd Isael Acosta-Rivera 18:04
- 3rd Kenneth Flannery 18:37

Youth Female 5K:

- 1st Isabelle Cone 24:42
- 2nd Martina Horwing 27:41
- 3rd Abby Brazil 28:40

Youth Male 5K:

- 1st Riis Wilbrecht 22:14
- 2nd Tyson Danby 23:33
- 3rd Jeremy James 24:10

****Complete Race Results Attached**

About Old Bill's Fun Run for Charities

The first event of its kind in the nation, the idea for Old Bill's Fun Run for Charities came from an anonymous couple that has so far provided \$6.5 million in matching funds over thirteen years to encourage local philanthropy. Through the event, produced annually by the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole, the community has raised more than \$60 million to benefit local charities. Last year, Old Bill's Fun Run for Charities 12 raised in excess of \$7 million for 200 local nonprofits with 3,300 people running, walking or wheeling in the event.

About The Community Foundation of Jackson Hole

For 20 years, the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole has worked with donors and nonprofits to enrich all aspects of our community, granting over \$100 million. The Foundation enables donors to establish personal philanthropic funds including donor advised, endowment, field of interest and legacy funds to facilitate their giving.

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