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SERVING WOODSIDE, PORTOLA VALLEY, EMERALD HILLS, LADERA LOS TRANCOS, SKYLINE AND VISTA VERDE

WOODSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

LEADS HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

WOODSIDE, Calif. – December 6, 2010 – The Woodside Fire Protection District for many years now has been one of the biggest sources of toys for very low income families on the peninsula. Capt. Marshall Hird, who assists in organizing the drive with Redwood City Fire Department, stated he loves seeing the surprised faces of the families receiving the toys. Each year Woodside and Redwood City Fire Firefighters volunteer their time collecting, wrapping and driving the fire engine with Santa on board to visit low income families to distribute the toys. To donate toys, residents should drop them off at any Woodside Fire Protection District fire station. For more information on the toy drive: contact Woodside Fire Protection District at 650 851-1594 or Capt. Hird at mhird@woodsidefire.org.

There's still time this holiday season for financial donations to generate a tax benefit. The Woodside-Portola Valley Fire Protection Foundation was established to augment the budget of the Fire District for specialized equipment, training, fire prevention programs such as the chipper program, and fire station capital improvement.

The Woodside Fire Protection District (WFPD) serves the Town of Woodside, the Town of Portola Valley, and the areas of Emerald Hills, Ladera, Los Trancos, Skyline and Vista Verde in San Mateo County.

The Woodside-Portola Valley Fire Protection Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. The Board is comprised of a team of community volunteers and Fire District staff. In 2011 the Board president will be Rudy Driscoll a resident of Woodside and Lorrie Duval, a Portola Valley resident, will serve as the Vice President. Individuals who would like to assist with the Foundation are asked to please call 650 851-1594 or email info@FireDistrictFoundation.org. For more information about the Foundation, visit its website (www.FireDistrictFoundation.org).

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