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**Save the date!**  
**Second annual Harvest for Hospice set for October 9**

**SEBRING, FLA.** – Good Shepherd Hospice will hold the second annual Harvest for Hospice on Saturday, October 9 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Four Points Sheraton Château Élan, 150 Midway Drive in Sebring.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the Bud and Donna Somers Hospice House and Resource Center, currently under construction on Hammock Road. When completed in early 2011, the Bud and Donna Somers Hospice House will offer patients and their loved ones the ability to have pain and symptoms addressed at a freestanding, acute care facility close to home.

“Last year’s Harvest for Hospice gave our community a fundraising event specifically geared toward building a hospice house in Highlands County,” said Becky McIntyre, Good Shepherd Hospice regional director. “The planning committee did a great job, and Harvest was a huge success. We expect this year’s fundraiser will be even better.”

Mike and Gayle Chapman return as chairs of the event and plan an evening that includes scrumptious food from local eateries, wine and beer tastings, a harvest fun area and unique silent auction items. Honorary chairs are Jim and Sue McCollum.

Tickets for Hospice for Harvest are \$50 each, and sponsorships are still available. For more information call 863-402-1066 or email Becky McIntyre at [mcintyreb@goodshepherdhospice.org](mailto:mcintyreb@goodshepherdhospice.org).

### **About Good Shepherd Hospice**

*Good Shepherd Hospice is a community-based, not-for-profit organization that supports and serves approximately 750 patients each day in Polk, Highlands and Hardee counties as they face the challenges of life-limiting illnesses. Healthcare professionals and trained volunteers embrace the Good Shepherd Hospice mission to make the most of life by relieving the suffering of patients and their families affected by end-of-life issues. The organization has been a part of the community since 1979 and is a 2008 recipient of a Circle of Life Citation of Honor Award. Good Shepherd Hospice programs are accredited by the Joint Commission, the nation's premier healthcare accrediting body. The United Way of Central Florida partially funds the community programs offered by Good Shepherd Hospice. For more information, please visit the website at [www.goodshepherdhospice.org](http://www.goodshepherdhospice.org)*



***From left: Chris Bredbenner, Good Shepherd Hospice Executive Director, and Gayle and Mike Chapman, Hospice for Harvest chairs, at the 2009 inaugural event.***