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HOSPICE SUPPORT COMES FROM ALL WALKS, AND SOME RIDES, OF LIFE
Local Motorcycle Ministry and Clubs Raise More than \$1,300 for Hospice of the Golden Isles with More on the Way.

February 3, 2011—Brunswick, GA – Hospice of the Golden Isles (HGI) receives many blessings and sometimes they come from untraditional places. That’s what happened on January 15th, when Pastor Fred Higgins, who has a special ministry for local motorcycle Riders, sponsored a benefit ride to celebrate the life of Robin, a pretty blonde in her 40’s who rode with the Locals M/C until she no longer could.

That ride, the “Rally Remembering Robin” raised more than \$1,300 for Hospice of the Golden Isles, and it was only the beginning of what this devoted group of men and women are doing to “help those that lovingly cared for our loved ones,” as their flyer for the Rally said.

The staff at Hospice of the Golden Isle’s Robinson Center Inpatient facility took care of Robin during her final days.

As part of the Rally, about 15 of the group did a short ride from the Locals MC Clubhouse to Hospice of the Golden Isles. They stayed for a Q & A exchange on hospice care and outreach, and took a tour of the Robinson Center Acute Care Inpatient Facility as well as the Jolley House Residential Facility on HGI’s multi-acre wooded campus.

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“Riding over to Hospice was cool, but riding out of there was meaningful,” David (Tug) Wilson, one of the Locals M/C Brothers who helped organize the Rally said. “The quiet and peace of the place was awesome; I am so glad to know all of our brothers and everyone in the community can get this kind of care when they need it.”

The Locals M/C are sponsoring an even bigger event February 26, 2011. This time it’s a Poker Run that pays tribute to Robin’s memory. Again, all proceed from this charity event will benefit Hospice of the Golden Isles.

Registration begins at 10 am and there is a starting point in Waycross and in Woodbine. The Poker Run’s finish point is at the Local MC’s clubhouse in Brunswick. Kick stands go up for the ride at 11:30. This event and all charitable events sponsored by the Local MC are open to the public. For more information, go to www.localsmc.net. In addition, a Media Advisory detailing this event is available.

“We continue to be so grateful and truly inspired by the generosity in our community, and the Locals MC, Pastor Fred and everyone involved with these two benefits are certainly shining examples of that,” Karen Brubaker, Executive Director of HGI said. “I am always so touched by how people are moved to give to us, when we do what we feel privileged to do – give people hope and peace near the end of their life.”

Hospice of the Golden Isles is a 501c-3 community-based non-profit organization serving patients in Glynn, Camden, McIntosh, Brantley and Charlton Counties. Hospice provides care for the body, mind and spirit. It focuses on reducing pain and improving quality of life for patients with life-limiting illnesses. This marks the 31st year that Golden Isles and mainland residents have benefited from the care provided by Hospice of the Golden Isles.

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