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THE SOIRÉE SPOOKTAKULAR...A GREAT COMMUNITY EVENT!

The Woodbury Community Foundation Introduces New Co-Chairs, Dr. Jon & Ann Tessar

Woodbury, MN – (July 15, 2011) – The Woodbury Community Foundation (WCF) is pleased to announce that Woodbury residents **Dr. Jon & Ann Tessar** of **Tessar Dental (www.tessardental.com)** in Oakdale, MN will be Co-Chairs of the 2011 *Soirée Spooktakular*. “We are very excited to join the *Soirée Spooktakular* team! Not only is it a great community event, but it supports a valuable and visionary organization that brings together people from all over the east metro area,” said Ann Tessar. “Dr. Jon & I are honored to work with such committed volunteers as we help take this event to the next level!”

As active members of the community, the Tessars have been involved in numerous charitable activities over the years. From providing scholarships to local high school students to supporting school sports teams, breast cancer research fundraisers and community events, Tessar Dental has had a long history of community involvement. As an avid tennis player himself, Dr. Tessar has supported the Pine Tree Apple Tennis Classic for children’s cancer research for more than 15 years. Tessar Dental is also a proud supporter of the Cornerstone Foundation for the prevention of domestic violence, the Minnesota Association for Children’s Mental Health, and the Woodbury Community Foundation. Dr. Jon & Ann Tessar have two children and enjoy golf, tennis, scuba diving, and underwater photography.

The fourth annual *Soirée Spooktakular* will be held on **Friday, October 28, 2011** at the **Prom Center** at the eerie hour of **6:13 pm**, featuring fabulous hors d’oeuvres, dynamite silent & live auction, fun costume contest, and dancing til the cows come home!

All proceeds support the Woodbury Community Foundation and its work in four key areas of need including: **Youth, Jobs, Housing, and Food**. “We are focused on serious initiatives that have significant impact on our community” says Dixie Ewing, Board Chair of the WCF. “We are dedicated to being a contributor, catalyst, communicator, and convener as we *Transform Lives for Woodbury’s Future*.”

Reservations can be made online at www.WoodburyFoundation.org or by calling 651-788-6586. Costumes are highly encouraged!

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About the Woodbury Community Foundation

The Woodbury Community Foundation (www.woodburyfoundation.org) is a local philanthropic nonprofit agent acting on behalf of the community, to provide leadership and financial leverage to combat the most profound social & economic needs of our Woodbury residents. Our long-term goal is to improve the well-being of the people who live here by transforming lives for Woodbury’s future. We are committed to inspire and support productive collaborations that solve real problems at the local level. Our mission is to strengthen our community by connecting people and organizations with causes that matter.

We advocate for the building of smart collaborations, providing timely research findings to guide decision-making and building a resource network of donors and volunteers to ensure that we achieve “Well being for all—for Woodbury.” The WCF is the local philanthropic organization that is inspiring community leadership & collaboration, identifying needs, catalyzing change & leveraging resources for maximum impact, for all...in Woodbury!

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