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HWNT Dallas hosts Inaugural Black & White Ball fundraiser on Nov. 14, 2009 in support of their programs and initiatives

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Dallas, November 8, 2009 --- The Dallas Chapter of the Hispanic Women's Network of Texas will host their inaugural Black & White Ball fundraiser on Saturday, November 14, 2009 from 7 p.m. until Midnight at the Dallas Doubletree Hotel located at 4099 Valley View Lane in Dallas to raise funds to support its program and initiatives. The event is open to the public. The cost of tickets is \$75 per person, which includes dinner, dancing and music provided by Vero Voz y Juan Angel. Through the inaugural Black & White Ball, HWNT Dallas will continue to support their initiatives and the Dallas community in 2010.

Since 1987, the Dallas Chapter of the Hispanic Women's Network of Texas has been promoting the advancement of women in public, civic and corporate life through many programs including their flagship initiative – the Education Seminar Series which has helped more than (how many) high school students complete their high school education and pursue a higher education. HWNT Dallas has provided scholarships each year to deserving seniors who have completed the series and have been accepted into a university or a college and have shown leadership skills. In 2009, the chapter provided \$4,000 in scholarships to three deserving young students. Since 2003, the Dallas Chapter has provided over \$29,500 in scholarships to over 25 students.

Other major initiatives of HWNT Dallas include:

- ▶ The Women in Need Initiative a partnership with the Genesis Battered Women's Shelter to help women affected by domestic violence.
- ▶ Little Girls' Bataan Center Christmas Party, an annual gift giving event to approximately 50 underprivileged Dallas girls during the Christmas Season held at the Bataan Recreational Center in West Dallas. The girls are treated to a party with games, prizes, holiday carols, Christmas gifts and refreshments. HWNT Dallas chapter members provide gifts to girls that may not otherwise get Christmas gifts during the season.
- ▶ Planet Esperanza Green Initiative- Educating our members on taking green steps for a better world and community.

For sponsorship information and to reserve tickets please visit the HWNT Dallas Black & White Ball Web site at www.hwnt.org/dallas/blackandwhite.html. For more information, please call event chairs - Mary Ann Kellam at dallashistorian@hwnt.org or by calling 214-287-5710 and Cecilia McKay at cemck@swbell.net or by calling 214-500-8848. Ticket purchases will be held at the door.

About Hispanic Women's Network of Texas

Established in 1987, HWNT is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization committed to promoting the participation of Latina women in public, corporate and civic arenas. HWNT seeks to advance the educational, cultural, social, legal and economic well-being of Hispanic women through a broader awareness of their role in society, business and family. HWNT counts with nine chapters across the State of Texas including Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Denton, Fort Worth, Houston, Rio Grande Valley and San Antonio.