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News Release

Methodist McKinney Hospital Reaches Critical Milestone With Topping Out Ceremony

McKINNEY, TX (June 9, 2009) – Vertical construction at Collin County’s newest hospital was completed Thursday, May 21, when the last steel beam was put into place during the official Topping Out Ceremony of Methodist McKinney Hospital. More than 75 hospital supporters attended the event, including local physicians, representatives from Methodist Health System, Nueterra Healthcare, and members of the McKinney City Council and numerous members of the Stonebridge Ranch community.

The event included comments from Dr. Vuhdi Slabisak, chairman of the hospital operations board; Dr. Ann Snyder, chairman of the hospital real estate board; Leslie Barden, senior vice president of planning and marketing for Methodist Health System; and Dr. Stephen L. Mansfield, president and CEO of Methodist Health System. An invocation was given by Rev. John Mollet, pastor of Stonebridge United Methodist Church.

During her comments Barden enthusiastically announced that the project was “on time and one budget.” She also told the group, “We plan to complete construction of the hospital by end of 2009, with a projected opening in February 2010.” Dr. Mansfield shared a vision of the ongoing healthy growth as Methodist expands to serve more patients in more communities across North Texas.

In addition to completing vertical construction of the hospital, the hospital real estate board recently finalized a deal with Kessinger/Hunter, a Kansas City-based commercial real estate company, to develop the first medical office building at the site. The medical office building will be built adjacent to the hospital and will provide office space for various health and wellness providers.

The 65,000+ sq. ft. Methodist McKinney Hospital will allow area physicians to expand medical services available to residents of Collin County and surrounding areas, providing high-quality, patient-focused medical care. The hospital will open with six fully-equipped operating rooms, comprehensive diagnostic imaging including CT and MRI services, and 15 private patient rooms. Future construction updates will be available on the hospital’s Web site at www.methodistmckinneyhospital.com.

Methodist McKinney Hospital is a joint venture partnership among several area physicians, Methodist Health System, and Nueterra Healthcare. The facility will offer a wide array of physician specialties including: primary care, orthopedics, general surgery, otolaryngology, neurosurgery, gynecology, and pain management. The hospital will focus on treating all patients appropriate for its array of medical specialties and services.

More information on Methodist Health System is available at www.methodisthealthsystem.org or by contacting Kathleen Beathard, vice president of Marketing and Public Relations, at KathleenBeathard@mhd.com or 214-947-4602.



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