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Madison Valley Medical Center receives Trophy and Donation from Going to the Sun Rally

Ennis, MT., (Nov.16, 2009) – Last week the Madison Valley Medical Center Foundation (MVMCF) gratefully accepted this year's MVMC Perpetual Trophy along with a donation check for \$3000 from the Going to the Sun Rally's (GTTSR) Co-founder, Jim Sitton and Organizer, Corinne Richardson Kashiwa. The GTTSR is a vintage car rally that raises funds for Montana causes and organizations. This is the third year the GTTSR has contributed to the MVMCF, "We really appreciate the support," says Dave Hajny, Foundation President.

Each year the rally organizers allocate 100 percent of event proceeds to various Montana charities, including law enforcement, educational scholarships and programs, Native American culture, environmental protection and rural medicine. In 2007, Rally Founders nominated MVMC as a charity that would be guaranteed a portion of the proceeds every year, along with the MVMC Trophy awarded in the name of elected rally participants.

The MVMC trophy is given in honor of a rally member who overcame an adversity in order to participate in the rally. This year, the trophy honored 2009 participant Jeannine Hascall. She and her husband left the rally suddenly when Jeannine became suddenly ill and was rushed home to receive medical attention. Jeannine's husband Jim, reports that Jeannine is still on a long road to recovery, but they hope to re-join the rally in 2010.

The Going to the Sun Rally organized in 2005, and is now one of the top car rallies in the U.S. The 1,300 mile vintage car rally is limited to 40 cars dating to 1971 or earlier. Routes for the rally vary annually. Donations may be



sent to Going to the Sun Rally, PO Box 157, Three Forks, MT 59752. For more information on the GTTSR, visit their website at http://www.goingtothesunrally.org.

For more information or to contribute to the MVMC Foundation contact us at, PO Box 993, Ennis, MT 59729, or call (406) 682 -6641.

Jim Sitton, Co-founder of the Going to the Sun Rally presents the MVMC Perpetual Trophy and donation check to the MVMC Foundation. Left to right – Corrine R. Kashiwa, Rally Organizer, Becca Zabel, Dottie Fossel and Dave Hajny from the MVMC Foundation and Jim Sitton – with his 1956 Jaguar.

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