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## ***Collin County's Premiere Event Wellstone Communities Gala 2008***

COLLIN COUNTY – The Wellstone Communities Gala 2008 benefiting Collin County Children's Advocacy Center is to be held at the elegant Grand Ballroom of Embassy Suites Hotel in Frisco on Saturday evening April 19th! Event Chair Wendy Engibous is pleased to present the wonderful and zany antics of Emmy-award winning comedian Dana Carvey, the world's fastest painter Rock Demarco, and she plans for guests to enjoy a fabulous silent and live auction, a gourmet dinner, and learn how critical their support is to protecting Collin County children. The Gala is the largest fundraiser for the Center, and the event will exceed its \$1 million dollar goal.

In order to help us reach our goal, guests will have the opportunity to bid on exquisite items such as a 7 night vacation to the Ritz Carlton Grand Cayman Islands, 2 tickets to the American Idol Finale LIVE on May 21st at the Nokia Theatre, Beverly Hills makeovers by Dr. Sam Lam and Jose Eber, and Diamonds by Bachendorf Jewelry. One lucky winner will drive off in a 2008 Chevrolet Corvette Coupe after being announced and brought on stage by Dana Carvey.

The Center is honored that last year's Title Sponsor, Wellstone Communities returns as the \$100,000 Title Sponsor of Gala 2008. Rent-A-Center honors the mission of CCCAC as well by returning as one of Gala 2008's Presenting Sponsors at \$50,000. Introducing a new \$30,000 Emerald Entertainment Sponsor this year is ESPRE Solutions Inc.. Other Wellstone Communities 2008 Gala Sponsors include:

**Platinum Sponsors (\$25,000):** Capital One, Cook Concrete Excavation Utilities, Reba & Dr. Ralph Ferrell, Carolyn & Mark Speese, Texas Instruments, and the Engibous Family Foundation.

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***Collin County Children's Advocacy Center takes action to identify, protect and improve the lives of abused and neglected children. Since opening in 1992 the Center has offered services to more than 26,000 children.***

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