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# Novotel Montréal Aéroport Proud to Serve its Community

MONTREAL, July 18, 2011 – Eight employees from the Novotel Montréal Aéroport recently spent a busy evening serving food to 2,000 hungry guests who attended one of the most popular annual charity events in the West Island, Strangers in the Night 7.

Strangers in the Night 7 was held in benefit of the Starlight Children's Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for children with chronic and life-threatening illnesses and life-altering injuries. This is the second year in a row the hotel has participated in the event.

"We want to play a bigger role in our community," stated Jason Fitzpatrick, general manager of the hotel. "It's important for us to contribute because it's the right thing to do – and very rewarding for our team."

The event involved 40 restaurants serving up dishes to the 2,000 people who gathered on June 18 in the parking lot of Fairview Centre Pointe-Claire for an evening of fun, food and live music under the stars.

At the Novotel Montréal Aéroport booth, Peter Brooks, sous-chef of the hotel's Trio Restaurant, coordinated the preparation and serving of three popular items from Trio's menu: wild mushroom risotto, grilled rack of lamb and scallops wrapped in prosciutto with sundried tomato pesto. Fitzpatrick and Brooks were helped by hotel employees Jane Mazurier, Amy Boulanger, Michelle Stemberga, Issam Tannous, Maria Tovar and Joanne Kubicki.

After the dinner, all event participants were invited to bid on donated items such as a golf tournament, a new car and a signed jersey from hockey legend Larry Robinson. The evening ended with a performance by KC and the Sunshine Band.

For more information, contact Jason Fitzpatrick, general manager of Novotel Montréal Aéroport, at 514-337-3222, or the Starlight Children's Foundation Canada at 514-288-9474.

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