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Leading Philanthropists to Chair Alzheimer's Community Care Gala *Sandy Krakoff, Nancy Raquet, Jan Willinger to Helm "Casino Royale"*

(Palm Beach, FL, December 20, 2011) – Three of Palm Beach's most notable and respected philanthropists have stepped forward to co-chair the 2012 Alzheimer's Community Care Gala, *Casino Royale*. In what CEO Mary Barnes describes as a "dynamic trio", Sandy Krakoff, Nancy Raquet and Jan Willinger are at the helm of this exciting event, which takes place March 16 at The Breakers, Palm Beach.

Alzheimer's Community Care, a not-for-profit, is the largest provider of community-based, dementia-specific services in Florida. "With 10 Specialized Adult Day Centers, Family Nurse Consultants, 24-Hour Crisis Line, ongoing education and training, our goal is to help patients, caregivers and health care professionals navigate through all stages of the disease process," stated CEO Mary Barnes. "The need for our unique model of care is growing, especially with Palm Beach County having the highest proportion of seniors than any other comparably-sized county in the United States. We have a significant fundraising goal, but with the expertise and leadership of our three co-chairs, I have no doubt that we will get there."

All three co-chairs have been responsible for record-breaking successes on both the national and local philanthropic scene. Jan Willinger stated, "I have had first-hand experiences in my family with Alzheimer's disease and am thrilled to turn the spotlight on this local, community-based non-profit that does so much to care for the entire family. Alzheimer's Community Care compassionately supports so many in our community on a daily basis and we are encouraging our friends to join us in supporting this vitally-needed organization." Co-chairs, Sandy Krakoff and Nancy Raquet, are similarly passionate about the need to provide services and resources to families living with the diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease. "We are so fortunate that Alzheimer's Community Care exists to provide the care, support and education to those in our community. I'm honored to help bring awareness to, and assist in fundraising efforts for, this deserving nonprofit," stated Sandy Krakoff. "The Annual Gala is the most important fund-raising event of the year for Alzheimer's Community Care. The fact that this dedicated

organization focuses on the people of Palm Beach County differentiates it from many other charities. I personally was unaware of this organization until recently. It is comprised of such a special group of people doing amazing work, our committee is working hard to increase community awareness,"said Nancy Raquet.

The Palm Beach Gala, *Casino Royale, License to Thrill*, will take place on Friday, March 16, 2012 at The Breakers. Hermé deWyman Miro is International Honorary Chair; David and Rhoda Chase are International Ambassadors of Care. For more information regarding available underwriting opportunities or reservations, please call 561-683-2700 or visit www.alzcare.org.

The mission of Alzheimer's Community Care is to promote and provide specialized, quality, compassionate care within a community-based environment to patients and caregivers living with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders.

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Photo ID left to right: Sandy Krakoff, Nancy Raquet and Jan Willinger, Co-Chairs, Alzheimer's Community Care's *Casino Royale, License to Thrill* Gala.