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29th Annual Evening by the Sea Event ***Annual auction with “Bonne Soiree Paris” theme this year continues to support hospice services for the community***

Hyannis, MA – Hope Hospice is excited to announce its 29th Annual Evening by the Sea Auction will take place on Friday, July 22 at the Wianno Club in Osterville. This year’s honorary chairs are Doreen and Chuck Bilezikian, well-known as generous philanthropists of many worthy organizations including Hope Hospice. The Bilezikians’ support of Hope Hospice began in 1992 and has continued consistently, and most recently, with support for the Anne and Donald McGraw Center for Caring at the McCarthy Care Center.

This elegant evening has a “Bonne Soiree Paris” theme and includes dinner, a live and silent auction, live music and dancing. HopeHealth supporters from all over Cape Cod and eastern Massachusetts attend the auction every year to support Hope Hospice and bid on a variety of exquisite and unique items.

Proceeds from this Evening by the Sea event help pay for specialized healthcare services for those who are seriously ill, including:

- Charity care to hospice patients
- Necessary treatments to ensure quality of life
- Care for children who are seriously ill and/or experiencing loss
- Grief support to all in need

“This is our premier fundraising gala event,” said Diana Franchitto, president & CEO of HopeHealth. “Now in its 29th year, the auction benefitting Hope Hospice supports a wide range of services provided to people dealing with serious illness and loss within our community. With more than 200 silent and almost 20 live auction items, the bidding is going to be beyond exciting. We thank everyone who participates—our event sponsors, the individuals and businesses who donate auction items, and members of the community who attend this wonderful event.”

“HopeHealth is excited to honor Doreen and Chuck Bilezikian,” continued Franchitto. “The HopeHealth Board of Directors, the 2016 Auction Planning Committee and everyone at HopeHealth is so grateful to have the involvement of such a dedicated couple for our 29th Annual Evening by the Sea auction. The tradition continues as our Honorary Chairs champion our cause, our mission and our critical need for community support.”

Some of this year's auction items include:

- A very special French vacation experience in a private home-not available to the general public-in Beaune, France
- A unique French wine and cheese tasting for ten
- Vacations to Nantucket
- Original artwork
- Cruises
- And, so much more

The generosity of Independence Park, Inc. as this year's premier sponsor helps Hope Hospice provide extraordinary care to patients and families in the community.

For information or to purchase tickets, please visit HopeHealthCo.org/Events, call (508) 957-0254, or email Giving@HopeHealthCo.org.

About HopeHealth

[HopeHealth](http://HopeHealthCo.org), has been enhancing the quality of life for people experiencing serious illness and loss for more than 35 years. Today, the non-profit organization delivers a wide range of services for people with serious illness and their families. The HopeHealth family of services in Massachusetts includes: Hope Hospice; Hope HouseCalls; Hope Dementia & Alzheimer's Services; and Hope Academy. The Massachusetts Pain Initiative is an affiliate of the organization. Learn more by calling (800) 642-2423 or visiting HopeHealthCo.org.

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