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LWMC Marks First Anniversary of Cardiac Catheterization Lab

Lake Wales, FL – Lake Wales Medical Center marked the first anniversary of the opening of its new Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab with a celebration luncheon, attended by several of the hospital's physicians and cath lab staff.

The hospital's \$1.6 million Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab opened on June 12, 2007, and provides heart catheterizations, diagnostic cervical and cerebral angiograms, as well as upper & lower extremity angioplasty and stenting. There were 481 heart catheterizations performed in the new catheterization lab in its first year of operation, far exceeding initial projections.

"We are very pleased with how well received the cath lab has been," said Michael J. Yungmann, Chief Executive Officer at LWMC. "We reached our projections for the first year within the first six months of the cath lab being opened. The number of procedures that are being done in the cath lab clearly show just how needed this service was in the community, and we're pleased to be able to provide that service."

Physicians who provide services through LWMC's Cardiovascular Catheterization Lab include Dr. Boris Nunez, Dr. Oji Joseph, Dr. Farouk Belal, Dr. Larry Thomas, Dr. Gerald Luedeman, and Dr. Hasan Mousli.

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Photo caption: Members of the Lake Wales Medical Center medical staff and cardiovascular catheterization lab staff celebrated the one-year anniversary of the \$1.6 million cath lab at a recent luncheon. There were 481 heart catheterizations performed in the cath lab in its first year of operation.