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**Autumn Leaves of Fossil Creek to Celebrate Groundbreaking
of Area's First Memory Care Assisted Living Residence**
Residence to feature amenities and design unique for those with dementia

Irving, TX, Feb. 26, 2007 – At 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 1, 2007, representatives from the Northeast Tarrant County Chamber of Commerce will be on hand to celebrate the groundbreaking of Autumn Leaves of Fossil Creek – the area's first memory care facility. The ceremony will also be attended by executives from Autumn Leaves, such as co-founders Jane and Win Warren, as well as executives from Aureus Group, a local investor in seniors housing properties. The new memory care assisted living residence is expected to open in August near the intersection of I-35 and 820 in the heart of the booming Fort Worth Alliance Corridor area.

According to Ms. Warren, the Fossil Creek residence will feature the company's newest prototype, which includes a uniquely designed layout perfectly suited for residents with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia.

"As a family owned and operated company with more than 10 years of experience in this field, we are uniquely positioned to build and maintain a comfortable, state-of-the-art residence that exceeds the needs of those with memory impairment," said Ms. Warren. "By focusing on both big and small touches, we can ensure that our residents will have a rewarding and dignified life in a homey environment. It's our goal to make Autumn Leaves feel like their personal home.'

Designed by Ms. Warren, the residence located at 4501 Silver Sage Dr. Fossil Creek is an Austin-stone and brick 25,000 square-foot facility that includes 36 rooms that accommodate up to 45 residents. Design features include color-coded, thematic residence wings known as "neighborhoods," gripped hand-rails and memory boxes outside of each room that contain favorite photos or objects to help personalize resident rooms.

The property also features two enclosed and secure landscaped outdoor courtyards comprising 10,000 square-feet, a library, therapeutic kitchen, greenhouse, craft rooms, quiet lounges, game room, entertainment room, one private and two common dining rooms and an onsite hair salon, as well as a large park nearby that supervised residents and family members can enjoy.

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Owned by The LaSalle Group, the Autumn Leaves brand of assisted living residences is uniquely designed and staffed with care givers who are specifically trained in the care of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. With seven locations in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, the company is the largest memory care assisted living provider in the area and has been focusing specifically on caring for people with memory impairments for the past 10 years.

The Fossil Creek residence for the memory impaired is the newest Autumn Leaves property and joins other locations in Arlington, Carrollton, Grapevine, McKinney and Richardson/North Garland with a new property under construction in Flower Mound.

About The LaSalle Group and Autumn Leaves

Family-owned and operated, The LaSalle Group develops, builds and manages specialized assisted living facilities for people with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia, as well as active adult/independent and assisted living retirement communities for aging adults.

Offering a specialized level of care giving by a family-owned business serving other families, Autumn Leaves allows individuals with memory impairment to live in an uplifting, supportive residential environment that provides security and a nurturing lifestyle. Residents can enjoy an excellent quality of life and continue to live as independently as possible with just the right amount of assistance.

About Aureus Group

Founded in Dallas in 1997, Aureus Group is an active investor that specializes in the seniors housing market. Aureus has purchased or developed 17 properties in seven states since the inception of its investment program.

For more information, view www.lasallegroup.com or www.autumnleavesliving.com or call 1-800-452-7255.

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Autumn Leaves Profile

What: A family owned and operated portfolio of assisted living residences that specialize in the care of memory impaired residents with Alzheimer's disease and other related forms of dementia. Autumn Leaves is owned by The LaSalle Group and managed by its affiliate, Constant Care Management Company.

The LaSalle Group is an experienced, privately owned developer that has invested in and developed numerous successful apartment projects throughout Texas and the Southwestern United States. The company has focused on the senior and assisted living industry since the late 1990s with a goal of becoming a national industry leader. To ensure quality and the proper design for memory impaired residents, The LaSalle Group's wholly owned construction subsidiary, Lake Superior Contracting, designs and builds each Autumn Leaves residence.

Headquarters: Las Colinas, Texas

Autumn Leaves Layout: Freestanding 25,000 square-foot residence that includes 36 rooms that accommodate up to 45 residents. Other features include:

- Austin-stone and brick exterior
- Wide corridors and arched entrances
- Color-coded, thematic residence wings known as "neighborhoods"
- Gripped hand-rails
- Spacious memory boxes outside of each residence
- Two 10,000 square foot enclosed and secure landscaped outdoor courtyards
- Recreation, television and common living rooms
- One private and two common dining rooms
- Therapeutic kitchen and greenhouse
- Onsite hair salon
- Two large therapeutic aquariums in common dining rooms
- Fully furnished resident rooms with bed, dresser and nightstand included in monthly rate

Autumn Leaves also takes great care to make the transition into their residence as seamless as possible by waiving deposits and not requiring any long-term contracts for residents. In addition, rates are set and do not fluctuate with the needs of the residents.

Jobs: 25 full-time and 10 part-time employees

Development Plans: Current Autumn Leaves properties include Arlington, Carrollton, Grapevine, McKinney and Richardson/North Garland. Construction has begun for properties in Flower Mound and Fossil Creek – the first Fort Worth area location.

Development will continue in Texas and other select national markets in 2007.