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**Literacy Project Foundation to Serve as Beneficiary
of Brasserie Pascal's Grand Opening**

Grand Opening Celebrates Bastille Day

Newport Beach, California, July 7, 2009 – Renowned local chef and restaurateur Pascal Olhats has opened a new namesake restaurant at Fashion Island, Brasserie Pascal. The authentic French bistro offers a fine dining experience in a casual environment.

To celebrate the grand opening, Brasserie Pascal is hosting a reception on Tuesday, July 14 -- the French national holiday Bastille Day -- from 5 to 7 p.m. The evening will include hors d'oeuvres and special wines from Crinella Winery for a \$25 donation per person to benefit the Newport Beach-based non-profit Literacy Project Foundation (LPF). With a heart for literacy and an ongoing good will service to the community, Pascal has been instrumental in raising funds for various charities in Orange County. He welcomes the opportunity to serve the Literacy Project Foundation and help provide *Get Set Read!* literacy programs to at-risk youth in Orange County after school programs.

“I am delighted to open my newest concept, Brasserie Pascal, at Fashion Island,” said Olhats. “I have created a hip and classy yet casual bistro, where guests can enjoy the best value for fine dining in the area, with warm, friendly service. Having the Literacy Project Foundation as our beneficiary is the perfect way to get started and know we are helping students improve their reading skills.”

For charity event reservations, call LPF at (949) 721-1319 and for dinner reservations call (949) 640-2700.

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