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Comedian Pat McGann to Headline Aging Care Connections' Sports Ball Benefit Gala

Aging Care Connections' thirteenth annual Sports Ball benefit gala will be held Friday, May 16 at 6:00 pm at Pinstripes, Oak Brook. Comedian Pat McGann will headline an evening of tailgate cocktails, skybox dining, auctions, bocce and bowling. Sports Ball is Aging Care Connections' major fundraising event held to support the organization's social service programs assisting those 60 years of age and older in suburban Cook County.

Pat McGann is a Chicago comedian who recently appeared on the "David Letterman Show." He created and hosted the Emmy-nominated television show "The Chicago Stand Up Project" and regularly appears on "Comcast Sports Talk Live," "Windy City Live" (ABC), "Mancow & Good Day Chicago" (Fox), WGN Morning News, WGN Radio and ESPN Radio.

Sports Ball auction items showcasing the chance to ride the Blackhawks' Zamboni; trips to Coronado Island, Scottsdale, and Napa Valley; the Heisman football signed by all winners present at the December, 2013 ceremony; a Notre Dame package including a football autographed by alumnus and Heisman Trophy winner John Lattner who will attend Sports Ball, and the opportunity to "borrow" John Lattner's Heisman trophy for two weeks, will make for exciting bidding. Celebrity athletes who are confirmed to attend Sports Ball at this time are Emery Lehman, 2014 Winter Olympics speed skater; John Lattner, 1953 Heisman Trophy winner; Kurt Becker of the 1985 Super Bowl Bears; and Ken Geiger, former Bears scout.

Sports Ball 2014 Planning Committee members include: Linda Dishman, Burr Ridge; Ken Bruning and Liz Payne, Clarendon Hills; Jill Wagner, Forest Park; Lora Collins, Tracy Erwin, Kiki Salach and Candace Zanon, Hinsdale; Craig Balon, Steve Kneifel, Karen Olson and Dan Spain, La Grange; Kathy Chmielowicz and Nancy Fraveletti, Lombard; Pat Smurawski and Debbie Stangarone, Oak Brook; Becky Greeley, Roselle; Mike Doepke and Mike O'Brien, Western Springs and Tracy Blackburn, Willowbrook.

Tickets are \$150 each and information about Sports Ball is available by calling Niki Chibucos, director of development and public relations, at 708-354-1323, extension 226.

Aging Care Connections is a non-profit organization which is the connection to the most comprehensive, expert information, programs and services enabling older adults to remain independent and their families to make the best, most informed decisions regarding needed care in their lives. Serving communities in Leyden, Lyons, Norwood Park, Proviso and Riverside Townships, Aging Care Connections' programs and services are made possible by community support and donations, and, in part, by the Illinois Department on Aging (IDOA), AgeOptions, Community Memorial Foundation and local United Ways. To learn more, visit www.agingcareconnections.org.

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