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An Evening with Eddie & the Gang

New Haven, Connecticut - December 22, 2010 - When Westport Country Playhouse opens its doors at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, January 26, it will be to celebrate the work of The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp and the values of its founder." An Evening with Eddie & the Gang" will feature a screening of *The Hustler* starring Paul Newman, and will kick-off with highlights of the Camp's growing services, that in 2011 will touch more than 15,000 children.

"The Hole in Wall Gang Camp reflects the playfulness, generosity and contagious goodwill of its founder," observed James Canton, the Camp's Chief Executive Officer. "The purpose of this special evening is to inspire all in attendance with the values that Paul Newman held so dear and that are brought to life every day at the Camp he started more than twenty years ago."

"An Evening with Eddie and the Gang" marks the second time the Camp has held a screening event at Westport Country Playhouse, and the event promises to be the Camp's largest friend-raiser of the year.

"It's our pleasure to host the Camp's fundraising celebration at the Playhouse," said Michael Ross, Westport Country Playhouse managing director. "Since Paul Newman so beautifully graced our stage on many occasions it is only fitting we provide this same stage in support of The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp!"

"Westport Country Playhouse has a long history of supporting The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp," said Canton. "This event is yet another example of how they have generously supported our efforts to serve children whose lives have been turned upside down by serious illness."

Doors open at 6 p.m., with the program beginning at 7 p.m. Individual tickets for "An Evening with Eddie & the Gang" cost \$75 each. Sponsorship packages are available and include advertisement opportunities and a pre-screening reception at the Dressing Room. To purchase tickets or sponsorship packages, visit www.holeinthewallgang.org/eddie or contact Amanda Garbatini, Associate Director of Special Events, at (203) 772-0522 ext. 22 or amanda.garbatini@holeinthewallgang.org. All proceeds benefit The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp and help to underwrite its services for seriously ill children.

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