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News Release

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JOHN MAHER BUILDERS, INC. SIGNS ON FOR 4TH YEAR AS SPRING HILL COUNTRY HAM FESTIVAL TITLE SPONSOR

2007 event moving to Tennessee Children's Home

SPRING HILL, TENN. – Spring Hill homebuilder John Maher Builders, Inc. will, for the fourth straight year, serve as the title sponsor for the annual Spring Hill Country Ham Festival. The 2007 Spring Hill Country Ham Festival Presented by John Maher Builders will be held on October 6th at the Tennessee Children's Home off of Highway 31 at 804 Branham Hughes Circle in downtown Spring Hill. The Festival was held the three previous years at the Rippavilla Plantation.

"The event has outgrown Rippavilla," said Spring Hill Country Ham Foundation Co-Chairman Eric DeBerry. "We had to find a location that could not only accommodate our growing number of visitors which is expected to reach 10,000 this year, but also provide ample parking and still be in Spring Hill. The Tennessee Children's Home is the perfect location."

DeBerry says that the new location and potential for further growth will make the Festival attractive to sponsors and participants. "John Maher Builders has been with us as title sponsor since our inception and they are a big reason the Festival continues to grow by leaps and bounds. Their involvement gives us

that strong community leader that helps put the stamp of approval on the Country Ham Festival as Spring Hill's premier community event."

"We are once again excited and honored to participate as title sponsor for the Spring Hill Country Ham Festival," said John Maher Builders, Inc. President John Maher. "We have a long standing tradition of giving back to the community and every year we have seen how much Spring Hill has embraced the Festival. It has grown bigger and better every year and that's a credit to the organizers and participants."

Not only is the 2007 Festival changing locations it will also be expanding operating hours from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. The longer hours are to accommodate a Spring Hill Country Ham Festival Presented by John Maher Builders first, a large fireworks display. The fireworks will conclude a day of family fun including hog calling, a kid's zone, arts and craft demonstrations and booths, food and drink, plus a music stage featuring local and regional music acts. But, despite the longer hours, the admission price remains the same, \$5 per carload.

The Spring Hill Country Ham Festival Foundation, a non-profit organization that in past years has donated proceeds from the event to numerous charitable organizations, operates the Spring Hill Country Ham Festival Presented by John Maher Builders. A large benefactor of the 2007 Festival will be the Tennessee Children's Home, which opened in 1909 to meet the needs of children tragically orphaned. Today, it continues to serve children in need a "secure family environment."

Information on John Maher Builders' past and present involvement with the Spring Hill Country Ham Festival is available at www.JohnMaherBuilders.com. The 2007 Spring Hill Country Ham Festival Presented by John Maher Builders Web site is www.CountryHamFest.com. Spring Hill Country Ham Foundation Co-Chairman Eric DeBerry can be reached at eric@deberryins.com. For more information about the festival, call 931-486-2274 ext. 218, 219. Media should email ahmarketingservices@gmail.com.

Since 1985 John Maher Builders, Inc. has built more than 1,500 homes in middle Tennessee and is currently developing four communities with more than 2,600 residential units and 187 acres of commercial development worth \$750 million when completed. The company builds over 200 homes a year, and sales revenue has grown at an annual rate of 43 percent to reach \$45 million in 2006. This success has led John Maher Builders to be named as a 2007 “Best In Business Award” winner from the *Nashville Business Journal* and the company is consistently listed among the fastest growing homebuilders in the nation. In addition, John Maher Builders was voted “Williamson County’s Favorite Homebuilder” four years in a row by the readers of the former *Review Appeal*. More information about John Maher Builders is available at

www.JohnMaherBuilders.com.

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