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Roundup River Ranch Receives \$1 Million Gift From Gates Foundation

Edwards, Colorado—John Gates and Diane Gates Wallach have pledged \$1 million to Roundup River Ranch through the Gates Frontier Fund. John Gates serves as a member of the Board of Directors and sits on the camp's Design and Construction Committee. This generous gift takes Roundup River Ranch, a camp for children with life-threatening illnesses, one step closer to reaching their capital campaign goal. Founding Board Chair Alison Knapp said, "John and Diane are helping us carry out Paul Newman's dream of opening camps for children with serious medical illnesses."

The Gates Frontier Fund was created by John and Diane's late parents, philanthropists Charles C. and June S. Gates. The fund was established to promote health and fun, among other causes. Charles Gates led Gates Rubber, the company his father founded, to expand and diversify to become Colorado's largest global company when it was sold to London-based Tomkins PLC in 1996.

"My sister Diane and I were moved by the mission and solid business plan of Roundup River Ranch," John Gates said. "As long-time supporters of The Children's Hospital, it is a privilege to support an organization that will further treat children by offering them the experience of going to camp. Roundup River Ranch will have a lasting impact on the communities where we live."

Roundup River Ranch, a provisional member of The Hole in the Wall Camps, will be located on 85 stunning acres along the Colorado River. Roundup River Ranch will provide children who may not otherwise have the opportunity to experience camp with a fun, memorable, safe and empowering experience, all free of charge. The Children's Hospital of Denver is the founding partner hospital, ensuring that the children will have on-site the medical services necessary to their conditions. The camp will serve children from Colorado as well as Wyoming, Montana, New Mexico, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah and Texas. The Hole in the Wall Camps are widely viewed as setting the standard for excellence and offering children a new lease on life, one week at a time. For more information on the camp visit www.RoundupRiverRanch.org or call 970-926-2448.

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