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**Remembering the past and ringing in the new at Lake Lanier
Islands Resort**

***New Year's Eve Gala at Emerald Pointe Hotel featuring dinner buffet
and live entertainment***

ATLANTA (October 18, 2006) – Reminisce the events of 2006 with Emerald Pointe Hotel's annual New Year's Eve Gala on Sunday, December 31. This year's theme is "Flashback: Remembering the 70's and 80's."

Flashback to the past and remember the "good ole times" while moving forward into 2007. Wear 70's and 80's apparel while dancing under the disco ball and strobe lights. The festivities will begin at 7:30pm and conclude with a balloon drop and champagne toast at midnight.

Schedule of Events:

7:30pm Open bar and hors d'oeuvres reception
Dinner Buffet, including:

Station 1: Crab & Spinach Stuffed Salmon en Croute, Wild Mushroom stuffed Lamb Chops, Roasted Beef Tenderloin

Station 2: Risotto and Polenta Bar Sautéed and prepared to order with choice of: Spicy Shrimp, Grilled Top Sirloin, Smoked Salmon, Blackened Chicken, Peppers, Bacon, Cheese, Sour Cream, Chives

8:30pm Station 3: Pan Seared Crab Cakes over Angel Hair Pasta
Station 4: Caesar and Field Greens tossed with choice of: Cider Poached Salmon, Blackened Beef Sirloin, Apple Smoked Chicken Breast, Grilled Vegetables and Fresh Shaved Parmesan
Station 5: Desserts, including: Bananas Fosters Flambé, Frangelico Crepes Flambé with Grand Marnier topped with Chocolate Sauce, Caramel Pumpkin Cheesecake, Lemon and Wild Berries Cheesecake

9:00pm Live Entertainment

12:00am Champagne Toast

The gala package is \$479* per couple including overnight accommodations for two, a open bar and hors d'oeuvres reception, open bar, dinner buffet, live entertainment, and breakfast at Windows Restaurant. *Price is inclusive of all taxes, gratuities and resort fee.

About Lake Lanier Islands Resort Forty-five minutes from northeast Atlanta, Lake Lanier Islands Resort is situated on the shores of Lake Sidney Lanier and is Georgia's most visited lakeside resort destination. The 1,100-acre resort provides a variety of amenities and services. Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference Center, 30 lakeside cottages, two award winning golf courses Emerald Pointe and Pinelsle, scenic horseback riding, spa services, famed wine tasting dinners, campsites and boat rentals from Harbor Landing are currently available for reservations. Each year, the Beach & WaterPark is open during the summertime and Magical Nights of Lights, the world's largest animated holiday light extravaganza, takes place mid-November until the end of December.

In August 2005, the lease interest in the hotel and businesses at Lake Lanier Islands was sold to LLI Management Company, a resort enterprise of the Virgil R. Williams family of Gwinnett County, Georgia. The Williams family is committed to enhancing the recreational experience on the Islands through higher quality developments and accommodations, more leisure opportunities and superior landscape.

Conceptual ideas for future development of Lake Lanier Islands Resort includes a variety of lodging accommodations and price ranges, including an expansion of Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference Center and potential development of a luxury lodge. The upscale lodge would replace Pinelsle resort, the original and first lodging facility on the islands, which dates back to the early 1970s. Other accommodations being considered are a boutique hotel, harbor/beach club, small group conference hotel and family center and bed and breakfast inn. Eco-friendly transportation such as electric cars, Segways and electric and standard bicycles will be available for travel around the islands. Scenic paths, viewing stations, gardens and current roads will be created or updated to accommodate future transportation and complete the feel of the "natural sanctuary."

For more information about Lake Lanier Islands Resort visit www.lakelanierislands.com.