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**EL CHORRO LODGE NAMES MANAGEMENT TEAM**

PARADISE VALLEY, ARIZ. (January 19, 2010) - El Chorro Lodge announces the hiring of two new managers, Kelley Cordova and Carmen Martinez.

Scottsdale native, Kelley Cordova, brings more than 37 years of experience in the food and beverage industry to El Chorro. From What's Your Beef in 1979 to Marco Polo and Mountainside Bar and Grill, Kelley continues to create a "home away from home" environment for guests. Kelley is joined by Carmen Martinez to form the management team. Carmen comes to El Chorro Lodge after 15 years with the Mastro Restaurant Group. His previous position was manager of Mastro's Ocean Club in Kierland.

"Kelly and Carmen each bring extensive restaurant experience, great skills and energy to our team," said Tim Moore, El Chorro operating partner and general manager. "We have a true dream team at El Chorro. We feel fortunate to have a world-class management team, the friendliest hosts and servers and the finest culinary group in the kitchen."



**About El Chorro:**

Originally built in 1934 by noted Valley businessman, John C. Lincoln, as the Judson School for Girls, the original schoolroom currently serves as the main bar of the restaurant. Situated on 11 acres in the heart of the Town of Paradise Valley, El Chorro Lodge is one of the area's last traditional fine-dining establishments. El Chorro is known for the iconic setting, historic buildings, Continental cuisine, and classic ambiance and charm. Along with a change in ownership in 2009, renovations are being made to honor the legacy and add comfort and function to the design of this popular local gathering place. The exterior patio remains the main focus of the restaurant. The expanded patio space includes new fire features, large custom umbrellas, new outdoor lounge spaces and expanded views of Mummy and Camelback mountains. The restaurant is reopening on Valentine's Day 2010. For more information on El Chorro Lodge, visit [www.elchorrolodge.com](http://www.elchorrolodge.com).

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