Another Record-Breaking All Charities Weekend!



Nanci Lanni and husband, Nick, 2015 All Charities Weekend Co-Chair.



Ashley and Anthony Capozzoli attend the Friday night Wine Tasting and Auction Showcase. Photo by Katie Uhl.



Nancy and Gus Hillenbrand hosted one of many Trustee dinners held across The Reef on Thursday evening. Photos by Maxime Photo and Video.



Gayle Tallardy, 2015 All Charities Weekend Co-Chair.

Ocean Reef Club is unique in many ways, and remarkably so in the way we members join together to give back to our neighbors in need. Last weekend's 8th annual All Charities events inspired new and long-

time equity members, social members from here and afar, Associates from nearly every discipline, and local merchants who all collaborated to raise millions of dollars for nonprof-

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its on The Reef as well as in surrounding communities.

"What an amazing weekend
- the generosity of our Ocean
Reef family has no boundaries.
Because of you, we are delighted
to report that we have broken
all records," said Nick Lanni,
who co-chaired this year's event
with Gayle Tallardy.

This year featured much more active bidding on BidORC.org, where you can now view the final selling price of individual auction items. Some bargains included a three-day Bimini trip for four aboard 2015 Reef Cup Winner "Sweet Release" that sold for \$5,375.00, a Nerf gun party for 20 kids that went to a winning bidder for \$584.00, and three custom cakes from the Key Largo Cake Lady purchased for \$125.00.

The superstar donors for 2015 were **Leslie and Jimmy John Liautaud** who arranged for multiple auction items that raised over \$325,000 for All Charities.

The highest amount paid for an item by a single bidder was \$85,000 for an insider's tour of Kenya including a baby rhino orphanage and a fossil viewing with paleoanthropologist Richard Leakey, hosted by Diane and Keith Hill. During the live auction at Saturday's black tie Giving Hearts Ball, the opportunity for four people to attend the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame induction ceremony with former chairman Bill Rowley sold for \$70,000, and Eileen and Rob-





Pictured arriving at the Giving Hearts Ball, left to right. Allison Derrick, Martin Katz, Kathy Weiland and Cynthia Lee.

ert Glidden are once again high bidders for walking the red carpet at the Emmys, adorned with Martin Katz gems. The \$65,000 price includes an amethyst ring to keep, and a stay at the Beverly Wilshire.

It was a surprise late Friday when celebrity jeweler Martin Katz and his wife Kelly decided spontaneously to donate a weekend stay at their 5,000-squarefoot Jewel Suite in Manhattan, which raised an additional \$35,000 for All Charities.

Another highlight of this year's All Charities weekend was the overwhelming response of the Ocean Reef community to its wine tasting. Parking spots were at a premium as auction shoppers packed Heron Hall, many returning for a rum tasting on Saturday.

Also, for the first time ever, the group of 100 Community Trustees had a waiting list. "The demand has grown ten-fold since



All Charities Co-Chairmen, Alan Goldstein, Tom Davidson and Mike Berman.

the event's inception in 2008, when there were only 10 trustees," said All Charities co-chair Mike Berman.

Each year, the All Charities program's success is guaranteed in advance by this generous group of underwriters. Each trustee couple pledges \$15,000 at the beginning of the season which includes two tickets to all weekend events. The full list of 2015 trustees is featured inside this issue Preferred Partners including NetJets, which hosted an aircraft display last Saturday, cover the overhead costs of All Charities, so 100% of every donation from an individual goes directly to support charities on and off the Reef.

And the need has never been greater. The record-breaking bottom line of this year's All Charities will make dreams come true for Monroe and Miami-Dade county nonprofits who have submitted more than 70 grant applications to the

Ocean Reef Community Foundation, versus 56 proposals last year. The programs ultimately selected by the grants committee will be funded by proceeds of this All Charities Weekend, as are a portion of the operating expenses for All Charities Partners: the Reef's own Medical Center, Cultural Center, Art League, Academy, ORCAT, and the Ocean Reef Conservation Association

Want to get involved? 2016 chairs Sarina Kinney and Mike Jones are already recruiting committee members and auction items. Contact allcharities@oceanreef.com or 305-367-5963 to offer your time, expertise, wine, or a week at your vacation home! Also, mark your calendars now for All Charities Weekend on February 19 and 20, 2016.

The financial totals and additional photos of the 2015 All Charities Weekend will be detailed in an upcoming issue of the Ocean Reef Press.



