

# ST. JUDE PALM BEACH A Waterfront Soirée



**S**t. Jude Children's Research Hospital kicked off spring in Florida's Gold Coast for the 13th Annual *St. Jude Palm Beach Cocktail Party*. Hosted at the historic Sailfish Club, the waterfront soirée included a welcome reception with cocktails, passed hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Guests enjoyed the sounds of **Parisi Events** while mingling with fellow St. Jude supporters in the area.

The event benefited St. Jude's lifesaving mission of *Finding cures. Saving children.* Chairs for the event were **Ashley and Prescott Miller** and Honorary Chairs were **Lourdes Fanjul, Talbott Maxey** and **Thomas C. Quick**.

"Our community is committed to advancing many missions, but with this special group of both new and longstanding St. Jude friends, we celebrate their active role played in advancing this mission of St. Jude," said Mrs. Miller. "Our impact is local through the families served in the Palm Beach community — through inpatient/outpatient treatments, life-study programs, consultations with physicians and families, and protocols playing out in our South Florida hospitals. The investment in the findings and fingerprints of St. Jude is felt throughout this community."

During the evening, guests heard from local St. Jude patient **Sean** about his experience at St. Jude. "It's hard to put into words what St. Jude means to me," said Sean. "From the initial diagnosis to our journey to St. Jude and all through my treatment, St. Jude cared so deeply and never left me or my family feeling alone. I am happy to say that because of this incredible organization, I am healthy and living a wonderful life in South Florida. St. Jude has helped push the overall childhood cancer survival rate from 20 percent to more than 80 percent since it opened 61 years ago. I can't thank you enough for your support and the impact you make."

Supporters finished the evening with Give to Live, where guests were able to make charitable contributions to St. Jude.

The distinguished Host Committee included **Philip Ballard, Arriana and Dixon Boardman, The Bonner Family, Claire and Jason Capello, Kim and Payson Coleman, Jennifer and Stephen Dattels, Stephanie and William Eady, Jessica and Drew Guff, Erin and Stephen Hawthornthwaite, Dabney and Rob Jewell, Ambassador Johnson and Suzanne Johnson, Jessica and Dana Koch, Gloria and Michael Masterson, Deborah and Bruce Miller, Alison and Will Pappas, Emilia and Brian Pfeifler, Marce L. Sanchez, Jill and Matt Schecter, Kiki and Drew Shilling, Vanessa Rooks-Stefanski and Marc Stefanski, Sarah and Joe Tripodi and Maura Ziska Christu and Eric Christu.**

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**FIRST ROW:** Tom Quick and Talbott Maxey; Sean and Debbie Bomford; **SECOND ROW:** Ashley Miller, Emilia Pfeifler and Jessica Guff; Erin and Stephen Hawthornthwaite; **THIRD ROW:** Bruce and Deborah Miller; Avery Keller and Kim Coleman; **FOURTH ROW:** Mary Reed and Allison Pappas; Maura Ziska Christu and Eric Christu. PHOTOS: CAPEHART