

Palm Springs Life Festival Celebrates Italian Food And Wine



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Ritz Chef Bruno Lopez, Alessia Botturi and Marco Sabellico. Photo by Pat Krause

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throughout Italy from Terioto Wines International in Sicily to the Vinity Wine Company in Italy's Puglia region. The Winemaker's lunch that took place at the Ritz-Carlton's Edge Steakhouse, with its sweeping mountain views was prepared

by chef Bruno Lopez, assisted by Ritz-Carlton's Chef Marco Sabellico and Pommery mustard sauce and concluded with key lime pie and blueberry compote. "The wine pairings were perfectly curated," said Grace Robbins, local author. "My family is from Sicily," she said, making this

event a nostalgic one for her. Marco Sabellico of Gambero Magazine collaborated with Gambero Rossi, the leading guide to the wines and food of Italy bringing this culinary event to the Coachella Valley. Also making an appearance was Salvatore Ferragamo,

grandson of 'the esteemed fashion designer' and co-represented, the event concluded the Palm Springs Life Festival, a cultural arts and lifestyle event that brought a taste of Italy to the desert. Pam Price serves on the Cathedral City Public Art Commission.

One night only preparty

By Pamela Price

Jewish Family Services of the Deserts 'Michael Childers presents One Night Only' began with a private cast, and big donors held on April 19th. A pre party for the cast and major donors the night before hosted by Helene Galen and

Jamie Kabler preceded this year's theme, Sondheim in Love benefiting Jewish Family Services of the Desert at The McCallum Theater for the Performing Arts in Palm Desert. As guests arrived, they were greeted by the rousing music of the award winning; top rated

Palm Springs High School marching band. Their music set the stage for a two-hour reception where guests mingled with the cast while enjoying a variety of pizza slices, assorted ice cream bars from a cart, sweet and sour chicken served in colorful containers and chocolate candy. Lucie Arnaz, Director and Michael Childers, Producer mingled with guests

along members of the cast such as Liz Callaway, Nancy Daussault, Davis Gaines, Hunter Ryan Herdlika, Clint Holmes, James Snyder, Barb, Jung, Brian Childers, Lee Roy Reams, James Snyder, Millie Martin, Jason Graae, Julia Murney and Karen Ziemba.


The growing number of One-Night Only fans is attested to its success. This season it was attended by 1100 with 500 heading to the "After-Theatre" VIP party.




Patty Newman, Michael Childers, Debbie Green, Helene Galen and Jamie Kabler. Photo by Pat Krause



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