

As the Santa Barbara quartet, The Fog, entertained the gaggle of guests, including **Mahri Kerley**, gallery director **Robyn Geddes**, **Miles Hartfeld** and **Gretchen Lieff**, **Sharol Siemens**, **Marilyn McMahon**, **Pat McElroy**, **Dana Hansen** and **Terese McWilliams**, noshed on Mexican cuisine from Los Agaves.

Jewels by the Sea

Hospice of Santa Barbara hosted its 7th annual Jewels by the Sea lunch at the Coral Casino when more than 340 guests helped raise a record \$165,000 for the nonprofit.

The sun suffused bash, co-chaired by **Robin Himovitz**, **Melinda Goodman-Kemp**, and **Jill Kitnick**, was emceed by KEYT-TV husband and wife anchors **CJ Ward** and **Beth Farnsworth** with keynote speaker District Attorney **Joyce Dudley**, who emotionally recounted the premature deaths of her father, Morty, and her husband, John, who died at 55.

She praised the help given by the organization, headed by **David Selberg**, as guests watched a video about **Manuel Figueroa**, who was diagnosed with lymphoma and survived.

"It was a frightening and confusing time," he explained. "Life becomes very overwhelming. Hospice helped me survive."



Monica Bartos and Zoe Guess at the Coral Casino (photo by Monie Photography)

The Partnership Award went to **Suzanne Grimesey**, who works for the Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness, the Legal Award to the James S. Bower Foundation, and the Volunteer Award to the No One Dies Alone Program, a collaboration between Hospice and Visiting Nurse and Hospice Care.

Among the tony torrent of supporters were **Geoff Green**, **Das Williams**, **Tom Sturgess**, **Perri Harcourt**, **Beverley Jackson**, **George Leis**, **Anne Towbes**, police chief **Lori Luhnnow**, **Harry** and **Judi Weisbart**, **Charles Zimmer**, **Lois Capps**, **Alixe Mattingly**, **David Edelman**, **Charles Caldwell**, **Peter** and **Gerd Jordano**, **Marybeth Carty**, sheriff **Bill Brown**, and **Steve Ortiz**.

Up for Auction

A treasure trove of artifacts from the Montecito estate of George Ricard, which used to repose at the family's Villa Zamir Cap Martin on the French Riviera, is being sold by Kaminski Auctions in Beverly, Massachusetts, next week.

The crown jewel of the Arcady Estate is the historical neoclassical pavilion commissioned by philanthropist George Owen Knapp and designed by Frances Underhill.

The estate furnishings also include exquisite continental furniture by Majorelle, 18th and 19th century French clocks, Meissen and Sevres porcelains, and an extensive collection of European art, including works by Georges Braque, Paul Henry, Cristofano Allori, and Ferdinand Roybet.

With more than 600 lots presented over two days, the sale is expected to garner more than \$1 million, but I suspect will easily exceed that.

Raising the Bar

Santa Barbara twosome **Ivan** and **Polly Pelly** are enjoying the sweet life! The dynamic duo has just launched **Ivan Bar**, a new nutritional candy with Macadamia nuts, almonds, chia,



Ivan and Polly Pelly concoct new candy bar

hemp and pumpkin seeds, and dates.

"I bought my last grocery store snack bar four years ago," says Ivan, a software engineer from the U.K. "They were either too sweet, too small, or just tasted weird."

So he set about creating his own nutritious snack.

"There were three simple principles. It has to taste good, be good for you, and you shouldn't be hungry after eating one."

There were initially no commercial aspirations. "I was hyperglycemic," adds Ivan. "Off the shelf snack bars made that condition worse, not better, so I needed something that worked for me."

He perfected the formula over a couple years and, along the way, gave batches to family and friends.

The **Ivan Bar** is now available in more than 100 locations, distributed locally by **Jordano's**, with his son, **Oliver**, a college sophomore, helping with the website – www.ivan.bar – and digital content, while the couple's high school junior son, **Ashton**, serves as sous-chef developing new flavors and helping with deliveries.

Polly, a Santa Barbara native working in special education, joins in the family enterprise with sales and demos.

"It's a blast!" says Ivan. "We all get to work together and have a great

time working on a product that truly helps people."

All Hands on Deck

ShelterBox, the Santa Barbara-based charity, has had its hands full of late with a whole slew of global disasters, most recently in the Bahamas from Hurricane Dorian.

More than 250 guests turned out at the Summerland estate of **John McGovern** for a sunset fundraiser, which garnered around \$250,000 for the 19-year-old nonprofit, which has responded to more than 300 disasters and humanitarian crises in more than 95 countries since its founding.

The event was also a very in-tents occasion, given examples of the canvas dwellings provided by ShelterBox in countries such as Syria, Iraq, Niger, Chad, Malawi, were dotted around the sprawling property.

Eric Schalla of Tri-co Reprographics was recognized with the Community Partner Award, while ubiquitous Montecito rocker **Kenny Loggins** performed his song "Celebrate Me Home" with mudslide survivor, **Lauren Cantin**, at the bash, emceed by CNN correspondent **Paul Vercammen**.



Kelly Johnson and volunteer Eric Schalla, who received an award for his dedication to ShelterBox (photo by Priscilla)



Hospice of Santa Barbara Jewels by the Sea award winners (photo by Monie Photography)



Host John McGovern, Lauren Cantin, Kenny Loggins, Lisa Hawkins, Kerri Murray, and Paul Vercammen at the ShelterBox fundraiser (photo by Priscilla)