



Bruce Greenwood, Cathy Siegel Weiss, Jamie Lee Curtis, Natalie Portman, Maria Menounos, Richard Cordova, Ted Samuels

YWCA Rhapsody Ball

THE YWCA hosted a star-lined gala to benefit its continuing effort to help thousands of at-risk youth throughout Los Angeles communities. Actor/activist Sidney Poitier was on hand to present YWCA Greater Los Angeles' coveted Silver Achievement Award to Cheryl Boone Isaacs, the first black woman to head the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. Faye Washington, President/CEO of YWCA Greater Los Angeles also conferred the Silver Achievement award on United Way of Greater Los Angeles President/CEO Elise Burk; the Corporate Champion Award to Xerox Corporation (accepted by Senior Vice Pres, SBU Operations for Southern CA and Las Vegas, Ian O'Donnell, YWCA GLA Ambassador Kathy Ireland, a group leader fighting human trafficking and the forced prostitution of girls and young women terrorized into sexual enslavement, began the evening paying tribute to the 120 year old organization's successful efforts to combat racism and empower women. Hosted by the Society of Benefactors, a donor circle that supports YWCA GLA programs, the Ball is the main fundraising event to help fund YWCA GLA assistance to the areas most at-risk population, emancipated foster youth facing survival on their own with no resources and minimal training, and helping to support other underserved individuals throughout the YWCA GLA's program areas. www.YWCA.org



Cheryl Boone Isaacs with Sidney Poitier

April Parker Jones

Children's Hospital Los Angeles *Noche de Niños Gala*

THE fabulous Noche de Niños event raised \$3.1 million to support the life changing work of Children's Hospital Los Angeles, a nonprofit hospital dedicated to the needs and support of all children. Natalie Portman, Sally and Bill Hurt and Costco Wholesale were honored for ongoing "Courage to Care" dedication at the hospital's signature biennial gala. More than 1,200 prominent philanthropists, local dignitaries and supporters enjoyed the evening at The Events Deck at L.A. LIVE raising unrestricted funds which allow the hospital to fill its most critical needs, such as patient care, medical research and families in need.

The "Carnaval Blanco" themed celebration kicked off with a performance by native Brazilian and GRAMMY winning music producer/composer/keyboardist/vocalist Sergio Mendes and Brazil 2014. Guests enjoyed special pizza hors d'oeuvres in honor of 3-year-old CHLA patient Hazel Hammerley, who gained international fame last

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year when her mother posted "Send Pizza" to her hospital room window. Hazel now has "no evidence of disease" after undergoing cutting-edge stem therapy treatments at CHLA for neuroblastoma, an aggressive form of cancer in children—exemplary of the hospital's innovative, compassionate care and the need for philanthropic support. Wolfgang Puck catered and E! host and entertainment darling, author, and founder of Take Action Hollywood Maria Menounos was master of ceremonies. Hospital heroes shared stories of hope and courage highlighting the staff of CHLA. Artists included: Ten Hatcher, Maks Chmerkovskiy, Denise Richards, Melanie Griffith, Colin Egglesfield and James Van der Beek, with presenters Rashida Jones, Jamie Lee Curtis and CHLA Board of Trustees co-Chair, Ted Samuels. Sponsors were Delta Air Lines; Costco Wholesale; Kirstin & Jeffrey Worth; Erling West, Jr. Trust; Lisa & Adam Stoll; Carol and David Binstock. www.chla.org



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Ken Weiss & Cathy Siegel Weiss (CHLA Trustee)

SEAL performs



Jacqueline Bisset & Kathy Ireland



Andre Hall & Faye Washington