



THE SCENE: ROYAL POINCIANA CHAPEL



Robert and Merrill Debbs



Nancy Evans, Dudley Moore and Pandy McDonough



Doyle and Barbara Rogers
with Merrillyn Bardes

CHRISTMAS IN NOVEMBER

Church party gives preview of 26th annual holiday boutique.



Kathy Vaughan and Suzanne Turner

A little bit of Broadway came to Palm Beach as the Royal Poinciana Chapel opened its 26th annual Christmas Boutique.

The preview party took place Nov. 13 at the chapel and began with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, food stations and the first crack at the offerings of the boutique, which included jewelry, apparel, pet gifts, food and dining items, vendor booths and of course, all things Christmas-y.

After the shopping and sipping, a far-sighted bunch — tickets sold out well in advance — moved to the huge tent set up under the famous kapok tree for a gala dinner featuring entertainment by The Midtown Men, four stars from the original cast of Broadway's *Jersey Boys*.

Merrilyn Bardes was chairwoman of the opening night cocktail party, which benefited the chapel's scholarship and charitable outreach programs. The 2013 recipients included the Alliance for

Eating Disorders, Alzheimer's Community Care, the Center for Creative Education, Hearing the Ovarian cancer Whisper (HOW), Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm Beaches, NAMI of Palm Beach County, Opportunity Inc., Palm Beach Habilitation Center, Seagull Industries, St. Ann Place and Wounded Warriors.

Kate Watson, Sheila Hardwick, Suzanne Ainslie and Leslie Randolph were chairwomen for dinner, which benefited Urban Youth Impact and Place of Hope.

Committee members included **Susan and Larry Alexander, Irene and Don Dizney, Chuck Hardwick, Connie and Brian LaRue, Peggy and Dudley Moore, Debbie** and the Rev. **Bob Norris, Cathy and Bob Ostellino, Alice and Cater Randolph, Janice Shultze, Barbara and John Thomas, Jan Utterback, Kathy Vaughn and Mitchell Watson.**

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Barbara and Ed Callahan



Lynda Halberm and Larry Cole



Nancy and Bob Kassatly



Peter Whiting and Noel Settle



John "Skip" and Leslie Randolph



Missy Geisler and Jan Conroy



Grace Marie and Joseph Champ