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Room for Wishes

Richard Davis, CEO, Make-A-Wish; Mary Murfey, owner, Corning Advisors

Table for Ten's annual culinary extravaganza benefitting Make-A-Wish Orange County and the Inland Empire brought together more than 320 gourmet food and wine lovers at the Laguna Cliffs Marriott Resort & Spa in Dana Point. The event, held on March 8, raised \$350,000.

Guests enjoyed a six-course tableside repast, with superb wine pairings, and tables uniquely decorated by each restaurant. A silent auction was held in a tented area next to the hotel prior to dinner in the hotel ballroom with area chefs and wineries offering hors d'oeuvres and premium wines.

Corning Advisors Inc., Legacy Pharmaceuticals International, Callahan & Blaine, Petal to the Meadow Floral Studio, Nestlé Waters, Saddleback College, MVT Productions, Melissa's Produce, Robert J. Parsons Investments, Jägermeister, and Acqua Panna and S.Pellegrino were among Table for Ten's sponsors.

Table for Ten brings together 40 of Orange County's most talented chefs. Among of the 40 participating chefs was celebrity Chef Chris Tzorin, along with his chef partners Manny Velasco and Eddie Perez of XClusive Taqueria Moderna, and Venue Host Executive Chefs John Tesar and Salvatore Giuliano of The Outer Reef, Laguna Cliffs Marriott Resort & Spa.

Gift of Compassion

Jim McAleer, CEO and president, Alzheimer's Orange County; Dr. Jacqueline DuPort, founder, Irvine Cottages Memory Care; Marc Carlson, managing director, 3 Points Partners

Dr. Jacqueline DuPont, founder, Irvine Cottages Memory Care, has donated the Irvine Cottages company to Alzheimer's Orange County. Alzheimer's OC will take ownership of Irvine Cottages this month.

"I am delighted to make this donation and am confident that the environment of serenity, compassion, and inspiration we have created for older adults at Irvine Cottages will continue to thrive," said DuPont, who has served on the Alzheimer's OC board for more than 20 years

DuPont will stay on as Irvine Cottage's clinical coordinator for six months and **Jim McAleer**, CEO and president, Alzheimer's OC, will manage all staff and administration. No changes will be made to the name and operational structure of

Irvine Cottages with all employees, programming, policies and procedures remaining in place. "We thank Dr. DuPont for her generous gift of Irvine Cottages," McAleer said. "It's a perfect fit for us, Aligning with our overall goal to serve those living with Alzheimer's and other dementias."

McAleer added that the addition of Irvine Cottages enhances the Alzheimer's OC continuum of care for Orange County's aging population.

Bits & Pieces

Waymakers received a \$1 million Youth Reinvestment Grant through the city of Costa Mesa to partner with local police departments and provide juvenile diversion programs in order to help reduce recidivism rates of juvenile offenders, strengthen protective family factors, limit the impact of juvenile offenses in the community and ease administrative duties of the court system and police departments. ... The Bobbie Howe and James Previti Family Foundation has committed to making every dollar count by matching every donation made to CASA OC, up to \$50,000, by April 8. ... Susan G. Komen Orange County is providing nearly \$500,000 to eight local organizations working to positively impact women's health, including Breast Cancer Solutions, Share Our Selves, YWCA of North Orange County, Planned Parenthood of Orange and San Bernardino Counties Inc., North Orange County Regional Health Foundation, Vietnamese American Cancer Foundation, Korean Community Services Inc., and AltaMed Health Services Corp.



Anaheim Recognition

Todd Ament, CEO and president, Anaheim Chamber of Commerce; Harry Sidhu, Mayor of Anaheim; Lucille Kring, Anaheim City Council; Paul Leon, CEO and president, Illumination Foundation; Trevor O'Neil, Anaheim City Council; Stephen Faessel, Anaheim Mayor Pro Tem

Illumination Foundation was honored by the **Anaheim Chamber of Commerce** and the city of **Anaheim** as "Non-Profit of the Year" at the Anaheim Business Awards luncheon. The event took place on Feb. 13 at the Hilton Anaheim.

The Illumination Foundation, in collaboration with the city of Anaheim, the Anaheim Chamber of Commerce and **Visit Anaheim Cares**, came together to construct and open a 200-bed interim emergency homeless shelter in December 2018.

"The Anaheim Chamber send(s) our heartfelt congratulations to the Illumination Foundation for the well-deserved honor of being recognized as Non-Profit of the Year at this year's Anaheim Business Awards," said **Todd Ament**, president and CEO, Anaheim Chamber of Commerce. "The dedicated team at the Illumination Foundation handles the complexities of the homelessness crisis with dignity and astuteness."

The annual event honored a total of 16 businesses for their significant contributions to the regional economy and greater community, including **American Technologies Inc.**, which was named Large Business of the Year; **Aramark**, named Green Business of the Year; **BPM Real Estate Group** as Developer of the Year; **Econolite Inc.**, Innovation in Technology Award; and **GritCycle Anaheim Hills**, named Small Business of the Year.



Ongoing Commitment

Chef John State, culinary director; Stephanie Yee, pastry sous chef, Disneyland Resort

The **Disneyland Resort** has an ongoing commitment to reducing food waste, and during the temporary closure of its two parks, it donated excess food inventory to **Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County**, whose mission is to end hunger in Orange County. Food donations include dairy, fruit, vegetables, packaged goods and banquet meals.

"We are deeply grateful to Disneyland Resort for their generous donation of food," said **Harald Herrmann**, CEO, Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County. "This donation will be quickly moved to our many food pantries and distribution sites throughout Orange County. Donations of food, especially shelf-stable food, will be critical in the days and weeks ahead to serve those in our community impacted by the COVID-19 crisis."