

social scene

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All Star Evening

An Academy Award-Style Affair at Windsor Station

Greeted by a phalanx of genuine and faux paparazzi (all clamouring for glitz 'n glam photo-ops), 680 guests arrived at Montreal's 14th annual Daffodil Ball for a phenomenal evening of Hollywood-style philanthropy. Perusing the Windsor cocktail gallery showcasing a century's worth of screen sirens, matinée idols and Hollywood moguls, *Oscar de la Renta*-clad Angelino Helene Irvin enthused, "This is sooo L.A.!" "Dick has really outdone himself," declared *Chanel* pal Anny Kazanjian of dazzling decor "Duke of Windsor" dude Dick Walsh. "This is my own personal creation of Hollywood and what it represents," explained Walsh. Headline



band *Les Goldsingers* – a favourite of European high society – wowed the dance-happy crowd throughout the four-course gastronomic feast. Dinner delicacies ranged from “*trésors cachés de la mer* Ocean’s Eleven” to “*tarte aux pommes* Pretty Woman.” Popular local band, *Paul Chacra & 1945*, interpreted classic Hollywood scores from *Evita*, *Dr. Zhivago* and *James Bond*. As midnight approached, co-chairs Thierry Vandal (CEO *Hydro-Québec*), Torontonion Ned Goodman (CEO *Dundee Wealth*

Managment) and Stéphan Crétier (CEO *Garda*) joined emcee Sophie Durocher onstage for this year’s Oscar-worthy announcement – a record-smashing \$2,200,000 would be donated to the Canadian Cancer Society – certainly music to event producer Alison Silcoff! Lady luck bestowed a lavish load of luxurious loot worth over \$153,000 on raffle prizewinners before night’s end. Guests Ginger and Keith Creel were thoroughly impressed, “definitely Hollywood-style glamour in Canada!” **MW**

MC Sophie Durocher; Ball co-chair Thierry Vandal; Canadian Cancer Society officials Suzanne Dubois and Dr. Gilles Pineau; Ball co-chairs Stéphan Crétier and Ned Goodman



Chanel Canada's PR executive, Anny Kazanjian; decor genius, Dick Walsh and actress Lucie Laurier



Dick: "I've gotten all kinds of offers to sell these amazing posters, especially the semi-nude Naomi Campbell; but I would NEVER do it. Everything is going into storage...."



Lucie and Pierre Boivin (President Montreal Canadiens Hockey Club)



Les Goldsingers vocalist with committee member Penny Echenberg



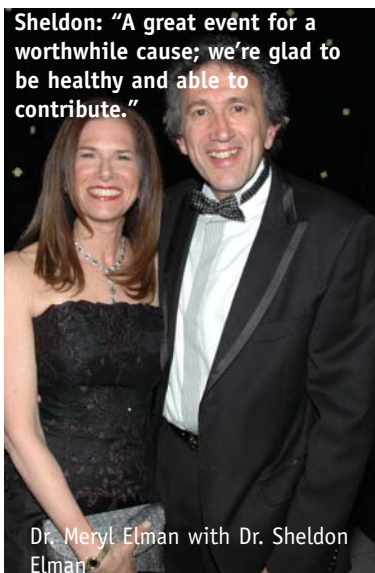
Committee member Janet Black, Harry Bloomfield, Nancy Bloomfield and Hans Black

Nancy: "It's a sari I bought in India which Serge & Réal transformed into a gown."



Patrice: "It feels like the Hollywood stars are in Montreal."

Helene and Richard Irvin, Manon Loranger and Patrice Boily



Sheldon: "A great event for a worthwhile cause; we're glad to be healthy and able to contribute."

Dr. Meryl Elman with Dr. Sheldon Elman



Belle: "Dick Walsh is brilliant; his creations come from the soul."

Committee member Belle and Ernie Grivakis

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