

Godesses raise \$24,000 for the Boys & Girls Clubs

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The “Godesses” joined together and doubled last year numbers, raising more than \$24,000 for the Palm City branch of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Martin County during the 6th annual Gathering of Godesses.

This ever-popular women-only evening event, held June 20 at Willoughby Golf Club in Stuart, broke all past records in terms of fun and fundraising.

The evening of dinner, drinks, dancing, shopping, pampering, salon services and silent, Chinese and live auction bidding was everything a woman could ask for in one fabulous night.

Participation from local spas, salons, cosmetology schools and shopping vendors allowed the “Godesses” to enjoy manicures, pedicures, facials, massages,

haircuts, makeovers, tarot card and palm readings, as well as shopping to their hearts’ content from a variety of fashion, accessory, jewelry and other vendors in the boutique area.

This year’s Godesses featured a unique new twist on a live auction. The actual men themselves were presented to the room full of women for auction as they tried to sell the crowd of women on their services. Among the highlights of the live auction were dinners prepared by elected officials Adam Fetterman (District 81 State Representative) and Doug Smith (Martin County Commissioner), shooting lessons from Stephen Leighton, a Marsh Harbour trip donated by Rick Creech, a helicopter ride and more.

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“Godesses” is a fundraiser to benefit the new Palm City Branch of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Martin County. Funds raised are being earmarked for the Club’s youth development programs that focus on education, character and leadership skills, health and life skills, and more.

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