



Nick Kassatly at Wild Pants.

Pants party fashion show helps the disabled

It's a pants party for a good cause.

The Arc of Palm Beach County's Wild Pants Party offers fashion, fun and philanthropy when local celebrities, community leaders and clients from The Arc boast their boldest prints and personalities in this fashion show on Jan. 25.

The 30 models compete to raise money for the nonprofit, which serves people with disabilities. The top fundraiser is crowned king and gets a championship belt.

"This party puts the fun in fundrais-

ing," said Kimberly McCarten, president and CEO. "It's heartwarming to see how dedicated these men are to helping fund programs and services for people with disabilities. They are willing to put their pride aside and really ham it up and get the crowd cheering."

The 9th annual party takes over the Grand Court of The Gardens Mall from 6-9 p.m. General admission is \$75 and includes access to the bar and hors d'oeuvres. To purchase tickets, visit arcpcb.org. ■

'Call to Heart Ball' celebrates Caridad Center's 30 years of serving the poor

"Call to Heart Ball" is Caridad Center's upcoming fundraiser that celebrates the agency's 30 years of serving the disadvantaged poor in Palm Beach County.

A crowd of about 150 attended a recent kickoff for the fundraiser, where they heard Laura Kallus, chief executive officer, thank all for the support that makes the nonprofit's mission to provide free healthcare to the uninsured and underserved children and families in Palm Beach possible.

The ball is scheduled for Jan. 26 at

EAU Palm Beach. Tickets are \$500 per person. It is Caridad's largest fundraiser, bringing together more than 400 of the corporate, healthcare, and philanthropic community, a news release said.

Honorary chairs are Bob and Christine Stiller, who founded the Stiller Family Foundation with a goal to help people help themselves.

For tickets and information about sponsorship opportunities, contact Scott Giebler at sgiebler@caridad.org, 561.853.1638, or visit www.caridad.org. ■

A fundraising night under the stars to help cancer fight

A "Night Under the Stars" fundraiser for the American Cancer Society is coming in February.

Sixty guests attended a recent preview event where they heard Dr. Ofer Shustik, medical director of Coordinated Health West Palm Beach and honorary chair of the American Cancer Society's 2019 Celestial Gala, kick off the event.

"The American Cancer Society is doing such important work nationwide and right here in our community to fund cancer research, educate the public about prevention and provide access to quality care," Mr. Shustik told the audience. "As a primary care physician, I practice preventive care in the hopes that my patients are never afflicted by cancer. But we know there are many causes to cancer, and we all know someone who has been touched by this terrible disease. We are honored to be

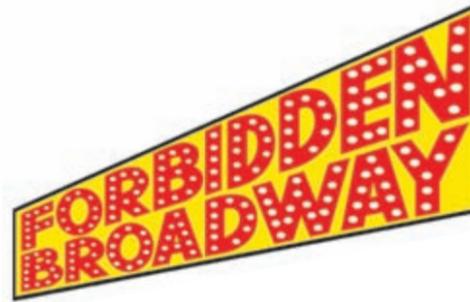
included in the efforts by this organization to decrease that number."

The reception, which honored chairs Shannon and Brad Ball, was a prelude to the Celestial Gala on Feb. 15, which will feature food, dancing and an auction. Proceeds will benefit the society's mission to find cures and fight back against cancer.

"My wife, Shannon, and I are incredibly passionate about this cause and we are very thankful to be part of the impact that the American Cancer Society has on finding cures for all kinds of cancer," Mr. Ball told the audience. "Thanks in large part to the generosity of donors, more than 1.5 million lives have been saved in the U.S. in the past two decades."

Tickets to the gala are \$300. For information, visit www.celestialgala.com or call Monica Santamaria at 561-614-2837. ■

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