Mardi Gras

2012-2013 Mardi Gras Charity Ball

Junior Board of Rock Island's 74th Annual Mardi Gras Charity Ball was held at the Quad City Waterfront Convention Center on February 9th, 2013. This celebrated Quad Cities tradition left those in attendance with lifelong memories.

The theme for this year's gala event was "Black and White Masquerade Ball." From the moment they entered the Convention Center, the nearly 500 guests were treated to an unparalleled evening of sophistication and elegance, their surroundings adorned in complimentary patterns of black and white, with accents in crystal and silver. As those in attendance entered the ballroom they were treated to centerpieces of white feathers, black champagne bottles and candelabras. From the glittering chandeliers above, to the black and white dance floor below, this was clearly a night filled with drama and style. Of course, the evening was not entirely without color. Guests wore masks of every color and style, adding a touch of playfulness and mystery to the excitement of the evening.

The evening began with a cocktail hour, complemented by a champagne raffle and a magnificent silent auction. Thanks to the generosity of our donors (click here to see a complete list), these events raised over \$21,000 to support Junior Board's continued service to the children of our community. Guests enjoyed a superb dinner and danced the night away to the music of The Terry Hanson Ensemble and deejay Jonny O. Photographer, Mike Fetterer of Fetography Portraits donated his time to provide candid and formal photos of the evening. To view and/or purchase photos, please visit his website at www.fetographyportraits.com and click on the "Mardi Gras 2013" near the top of the page.

Pryce T. Boeye served as our Master of Ceremonies, adding his own wit and charm to the festivities. Mr. Boeye introduced this year's honored guests, Mark W. Schwiebert and Virginia 'Ginny' Payton as King and Queen of the Mardi Gras Ball. These two exceptional individuals have contributed their time and energy to countless organizations throughout the years. Pryce also presented the Mardi Gras court, featuring twelve Attendants and five Pages, as well as two crown bearers.

Attendants

Kelly Jean Bishop Ryan Elizabeth Bucktrout Claire Marie Fieweger Abbey Lee Johnson Madeline Terrase McGuire Maggie Marie Pappas Sarah Marie Smith Jacqueline Marie Twing Hannah Claire VanHoe Kylee Jo Villarreal Margaret Maureen Williams Morgan Alexandra Zambrano

Pages

Drake Edmund Frideres Pierce August Klingbiel Joseph William Mihm Brandon Andrew Sheraden Steffen John Timmer

Crown Bearers

Jack Andrew Curnyn Grace Elizabeth Miller

Menu

Classic Caesar Salad

Chilled hearts of romaine and savory garlic croutons topped with shaved parmesan & Caesar dressing.

An Iconic Duet

Grilled tenderloin of beef served atop garlic mashed potatoes paired with a tender baked chicken breast accompanied by a caramelized sauce and adorned with pearl onions Fresh hericot verts and turned baby carrots lightly sautéed in butter & herbs.

OR

Vintage Vegetarian

Melanzane alla Parmigiana

Delicately breaded eggplant slices dressed with marinara, mozzarella & parmesan cheeses.

A Flair for The Dramatic

Petite Baked Alaska

Vanilla ice cream layered on sponge cake and ensconced in a delicate toasted meringue.

The 2012-2013 Mardi Gras Committee

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