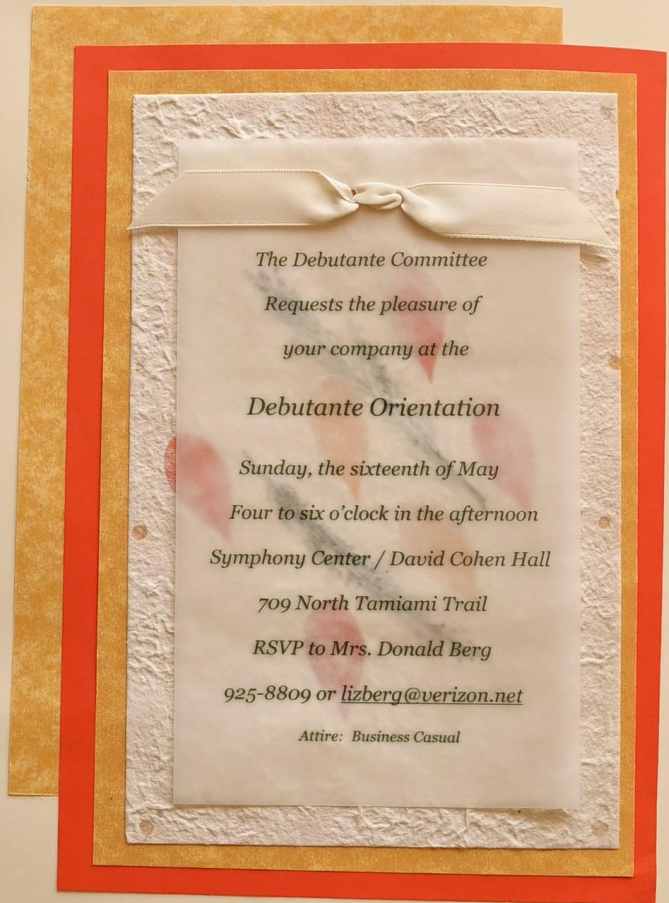


THE DEBUTANTE SEASON 2010-2011



The Debutante Committee

*Requests the pleasure of
your company at the*

Debutante Orientation

Sunday, the sixteenth of May

Four to six o'clock in the afternoon

Symphony Center / David Cohen Hall

709 North Tamiami Trail

RSVP to Mrs. Donald Berg

925-8809 or lizberg@verizon.net

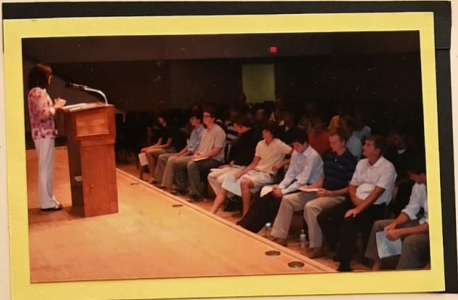
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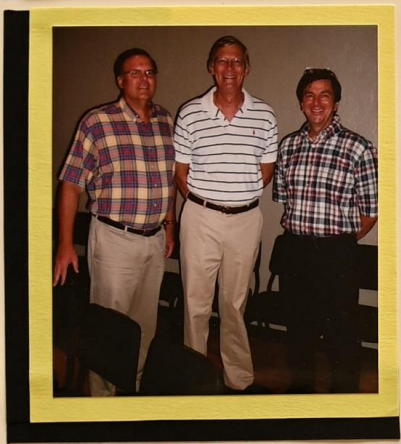
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DEB SOCIAL



FATHER ESCORT ORIENTATION

Please join us for the
Debutante
Mother / Daughter Social

Sunday, August 22, 2010 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Scroggins
 4300 Riverview Blvd, Bradenton, FL
 (Valet Parking Provided)

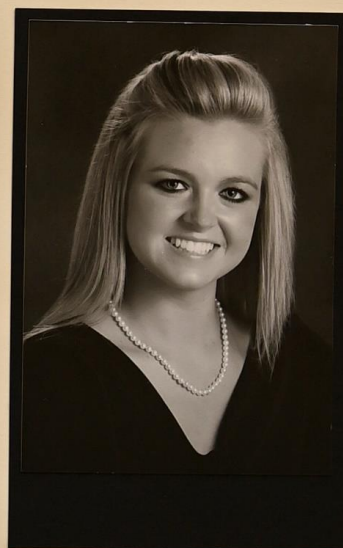
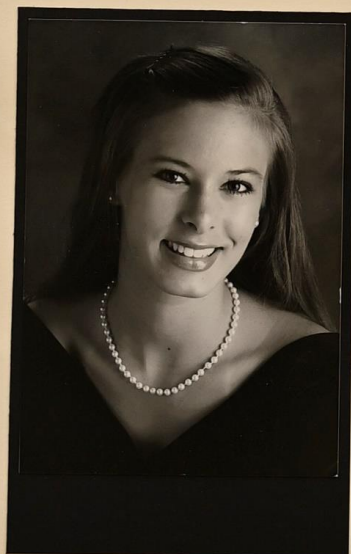
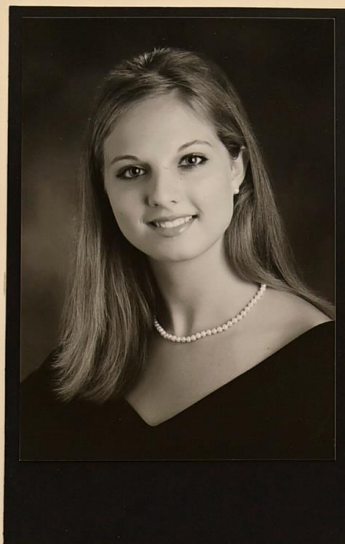
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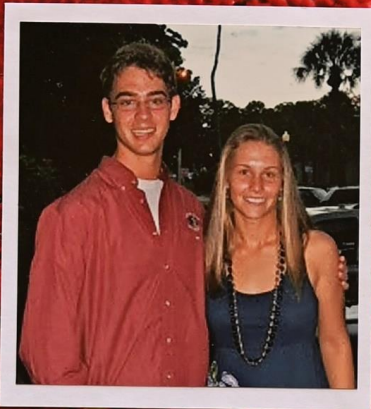
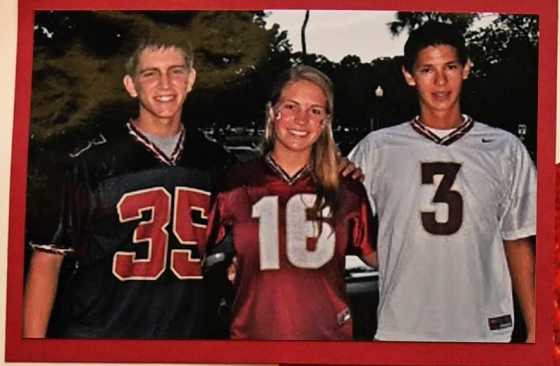
Please Bring Hors d'oeuvres or Dessert to Share
 (Finger Foods Only, Please)

Regrets: sandy.scroggins@verizon.net
 (Please bring your Deb Notebooks)



VR 2010-2011 DEBUTANTES





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Tailgate Section

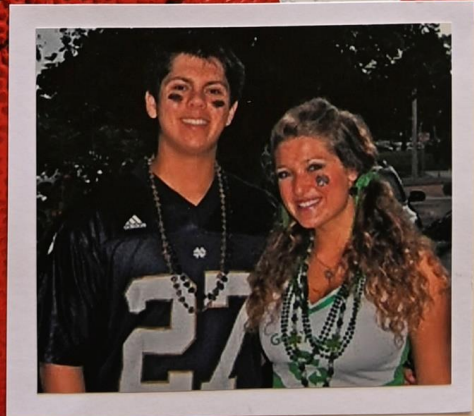
Kick-Off:
August 28, 2010
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Church of the Redeemer
222 South Palm Avenue

Celebrate your favorite
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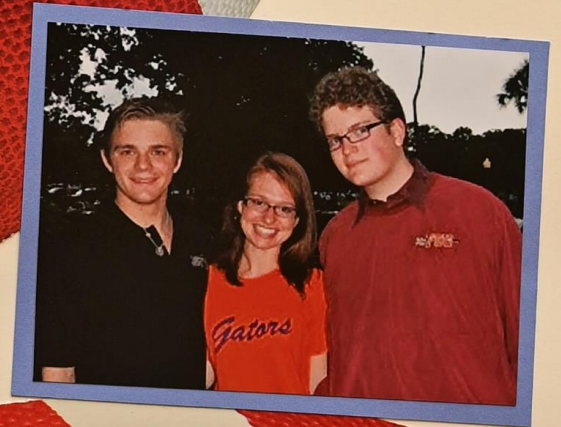
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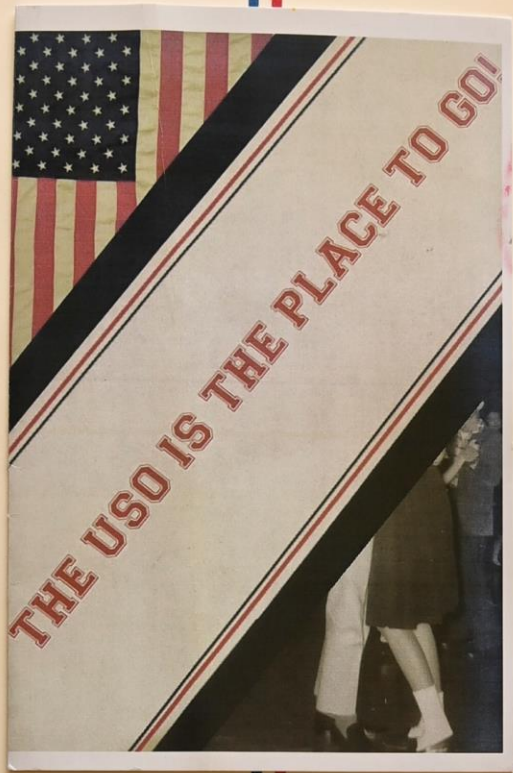
Join us for traditional tailgate
buffet and beverages
Dress: Game Day Chic
(Dress denim acceptable, no shorts, please)

R.S.V.P. by August 20, 2010
926-3377 or
jodymaxwellsrq@verizon.net




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The honour of your presence is requested by
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Miss Ashleigh Morgan Gregoria
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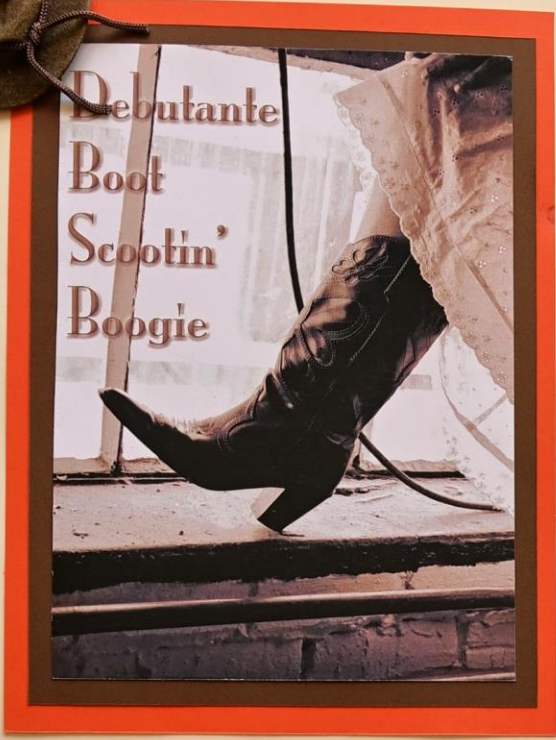
Saturday, the Second of October, Two-Thousand Ten
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Please, no crowns or tiaras

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By the Twenty-Second of September, Two-Thousand Ten









Debutantes
Caroline Marie Rawe &
Eden Lindsey-Taylor Veldkamp

Invite you to join them for a
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Saturday, February 5, 2011

6:30 pm - 10:00 pm

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The Debutante Committee
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The Debutante Ball

Saturday evening, the eighteenth of December

Two thousand and ten

City of Sarasota

Municipal Auditorium

In Honour of the
2010-2011 Debutantes

Miss Ashley Elizabeth Falkner

Miss Ashleigh Morgan Gregoria

Miss Annalise Reeves Kapusta

Miss Anna Elizabeth Marshall

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IT'S
YOUR
DAY

COMMUNITY CENTRAL

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Young women debut at ball

For the 29th year, high school students from Sarasota and Manatee counties will be formally introduced to society.

The young women were invited to participate based on academic achievements and involvement in school and community organizations.

While preparing them with the skills to achieve as adults, the debutante program also is philanthropic. The money raised benefits the Sarasota Orchestra's Youth Orchestra.

The debutantes:
■ **Ashley Elizabeth Falkner**, daughter of **Thomas and Tamara Falkner** of Bradenton, attends Saint Stephen's Episcopal School. She is a member of the school's Student Council and Student Ambassador program, co-president of Spanish Club, vice president of Math Club and a member of the Harvard Model Congress Team. She also is a member of the National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and varsity Soccer team. She is volunteer for TOP Soccer, a community-based soccer program for athletes with disabilities.

■ **Ashleigh Morgan Gregoria**, daughter of **Ric and Gina Gregoria**, attends Saint Stephen's Episcopal School. She is a member of the National Honor Society, National French Honor Society and Head of School's List. She is captain of the Harvard Model Congress Team and received awards of excellence at the 2009 and 2010 conferences. She is captain of the Mock Trial team, co-chairperson of the Honors Council and vice president of Key Club. She has served as a Florida Senate page for two terms, has studied classical piano for 12 years and is Saint Stephen's nominee for the University of Virginia Jefferson Scholarship.

■ **Annalise Reeves Kapusta**, daughter of **Mark and Rhonda Kapusta** of Sarasota, attends the International Baccalaureate Program at Riverview High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society, serves as host of "CYDTV" on the Sarasota Education Channel and is secretary of the board of directors for the Sarasota Juvenile Justice Council. She also participates in the school drama club activities and serves as a liturgist at St. Peter's Chapel.

■ **Anna Elizabeth Marshall**, daughter of **Tom and Betsy Marshall** of Sarasota, attends Saint Stephens Episcopal School, where she participates in the school's drama productions and varsity track. This year, she will join her school's team for Congress, a statewide Spanish competition in Orlando. She is member of the Senior High Youth Group of First Presbyterian Church of Sarasota. Volunteer activities include Selby Botanical Gardens, Cat Depot and the Salvation Army.



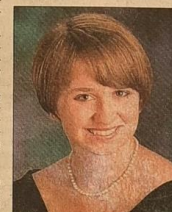
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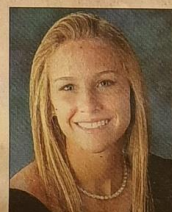
Carlin Grace Maxwell



Christine Alexandra Merrill



Cristin Carroll Pacifico



Caroline Rawe



Eden Veldkamp

IF YOU GO

What: 29th annual Sarasota Orchestra Debutante Ball.
When: 8:30 p.m. Saturday.
Where: Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota.
Cost: \$225 for adults, \$100 for youths.
Dress: Formal.

Features: The debut of nine young women from Manatee and Sarasota counties, music by the Double Vision band and dinner catered by Michael's On East.

Ticket information: Britney Serbin, 346-6544 or 234-2239.

of the Redeemer.
■ **Christine Alexandra Merrill**, daughter of **William and Karen Merrill** of Sarasota, attends the International Baccalaureate Program at Riverview High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish National Honor Society. She has played varsity tennis since her freshman year. Christine has been nominated as a national scholar to attend the National Young Leaders Conference. She also is involved with the American Cancer Relay for Life, Girls Inc., G.W.I.Z. and Church of the Redeemer.

■ **Cristin Carroll Pacifico**, daughter of **Dr. Daniel and Colleen Pacifico** of Sarasota County, attends Pine View School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society and French Honor Society, an AP Scholar and Notre Dame Book Award recipient. She rowed four years for Sarasota Scullers Youth Rowing Program and received state and national recognition. A pianist and composer, she received two gold cups at the National Federation of Music Junior Festivals, performed at the U.S. Presidential Inaugural and Carnegie Hall. Christine is a eucharistic minister to the Homebound for St. Thomas More Catholic Church and works as an advisory intern at Merrill Lynch.

■ **Caroline Rawe**, daughter of **James and Teresa Rawe** of Bradenton, attends Manatee High, where she is an AP and Honors student and is a member of the Senior Class Board, Mu Alpha Theta and National Honor Society. She is a White M recipient. Caroline is a rower with the Sarasota Scullers and has won numerous events, including two bronze medals at U.S. Rowing Nationals.

■ **Eden Veldkamp**, daughter of **Antonie and Debra Veldkamp** of Sarasota, attends Rteview High School. She is president of the Rhema Club and a member of the Sarasota Scullers Youth Rowing Program. A member of Cornerstone Church in Lakewood Ranch, she does mission work in the United States and abroad every summer. She received the Anne Frank Humanitarian Award in her junior year for her community service. She participates in an internship program at Oak Park and South Side Elementary School studying occupational therapy.



CAMERA READY
Debutante Ball / 11B



Five debutantes prepare for their professional photograph.



The Sarasota Scullers Women's Varsity Lightweight 4+ recently returned from the U.S. Rowing Youth National Championships with a bronze medal. Members of the team include, left to right: Katie Allen, Cara Rawe, Arianna Robbins, Julieanne Kohler, Tori Hetman and Coach Kirby Galie. COURTESY PHOTO

It's a humble place with some history

By ROBERT ECKHART
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SARASOTA — The \$4 admission tickets are good through Sunday, so there is no great hurry on a recent Friday morning as 125 shoppers walk a winding path through bargain-priced merchandise at the Municipal Auditorium.

"I almost should buy something," one woman tells a friend. "I'm really not sure. The necklace is \$19."

This brand of casual commerce — part shopping, part socializing — is the bread and butter of the auditorium, the utility player in Sarasota's civic life since 1938.

It serves as a swap meet for gemstones and stamps and an auctioneer, a hall for the occasional prom or concert, and a venue for all manner of events in between. More than 70,000 people pass through its doors every year, not counting repeat visitors who



Patrons, top, shop for gems and jewelry at a Municipal Auditorium event in March. The auditorium, above, was built in 1938. STAFF PHOTOS / THOMAS BRENDA

scope out a purchase over a few days on a single admission pass.

So talk about converting the auditorium into a soundstage for motion picture production had people feeling the need to stick up for the place.

The movies are the kind of clean, high-tech industry coveted

everywhere, especially in an area too reliant on tourism and construction. But giving up something that has worked so long for so many did not sound like progress to the crowd that came to its defense.

Now that the hullabaloo is dying down, it is back to business as usual with a coin show this weekend produced by Frank Cox, who has hosted these kinds of events at the auditorium since the 1970s.

He calls the auditorium his office.

"So much goes on there," Cox says. "I think they realized how up the general population was."

If you have never stopped in the auditorium, it is that squat building with barrel-shaped broadsides on U.S. 41 in front of the Van Wezel.

The vintage 1938 art deco facade gives it a sense of architectural dignity, though, as it stands its ground against two Mediterranean-style condominium towers across the street.

Step inside and you breathe in the smell of hardwood, accompanied by the faint laboratory tang of the cleaner Groot Magic.

One whiff of that air, and longtime Sarasota resident Gordon Hornikel Jr. is back in the fourth row, how up across the hardwood in a traditional waltz with their fathers, and the volunteers

Venue's fans get behind their place

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Sue Blue played the legendary Sara de Soto in a Sarasota High School production staged at the Municipal Auditorium in 1946. PHOTO PROVIDED BY SUE BLUE

take me there when I was in Cub Scouts and I was 10 years old," says Hornikel, 58. "I just like the place. Really do."

He saw his first rock band, Canned Heat, at the auditorium when he was 13.

A retired cement company owner, Hornikel goes most every weekend to a shell show or a gem show or a coin show. Every time he goes, he sees someone he knows.

Whatever is on the agenda, it usually costs a few bucks to get in, and there is always some charity group or other selling hot dogs and drinks and chips. Swanky it is not, but longtime residents recall that the auditorium is the former home of the Miss Florida pageant.

And Sarasota's debutantes still doll it up until it is hardly recognizable for the Debutante Ball every December. The deb's waltz across the hardwood in a traditional waltz with their fathers, and the volunteers

who have carried on the tradition for 28 years have no idea what they would do without the auditorium.

The children do not play basketball anymore in the main gym, with its ancient hardwood floors that creak and pop every few steps.

Up on the chest-high stage is where Sue Blue played the tragic heroine Sara de Soto in the 1946 Sarasota High School play depicting the legend of Sarasota's origin.

Blue's aunt, drama teacher Etta Scarborough, hauled in palm fronds and Spanish moss to drape over the stage. Bareheaded boys played Seminole, humming it up a bit by donning headaddresses and smearing war paint on their faces.

We've had a lot of things taken away from us," says Blue, a member of the Sarasota Historical Society who gives historical trolley tours through the city. "You've got to do something that's the same."

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DIVERSIONS ■ 118



Delaney and Abbey Kapusta, Jon Sams, Annalise Kapusta, Tyler Bazenas, Ron and Miriam Williams and Rhonda, Mark and Robert Kapusta



Kyle Whelan, Anna Marshall and Stefan Wolfe



Tyler Leppek, Caroline Rawe and Chris Scott



Matthew and Christine Merrill

DEBUTANTE BALL Sarasota Youth Orchestra | Saturday, Dec. 18 | Sarasota Municipal Auditorium



Dr. Daniel and Colleen Pacifico with Steve and Laurie Wilbur

Carlin Maxwell



Debutante Ball

Dancing, deb, anxious escorts, proud parents and a sea of white dresses—they're all part of the annual Debutante Ball, held at the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium to benefit the youth programs of the Sarasota Orchestra. This year nine young ladies from Sarasota and Bradenton took their first steps into the social world after weeks of dance lessons, parties and volunteering their time to worthwhile causes.



DEBUTANTE BALL

Young women were introduced to society at the 27th annual Sarasota Orchestra Debutante Ball at the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium. The program raises money for Sarasota Orchestra's Youth Orchestra. 15. Ashley Falkner and Thomas Falkner. 16. Ric Gregoria and Ashley Gregoria. 17. Christine Merrill and William Merrill. 18. Front row, Ashleigh Gregoria, Edon Veldkamp and Carlin Maxwell. Back row, Ashley Falkner, Anna Marshall, Christine Merrill, Christin Pacifico, Annalise Kapusta and Caroline Rawe. COURTESY PHOTOS: ALFRED GORDON



1 Debutantes and escorts
2 Charlie Dee and Debbie Partridge 3 Ashley Falkner and Ashleigh Gregoria 4 Nick Cassidy and Jordan Carlson 5 William and Carol Kennedy 6 Lauren Litchet, Audra Deely, Katie Allen, Mary Beth Bilder, Julianne Koehler, Anise Veldkamp



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Nine debutantes greet the new year

DIANA COLSON
Social Notes

In a fairytale setting, nine exquisitely gowned young ladies stepped out into the world as members of The Debutante Program. High school seniors from Sarasota and Manatee counties, these girls have been chosen for high academic achievement as well as their strong involvement in school, place of worship and/or community volunteer activities. Clearly, this group of extraordinary young women is destined to make its mark, so the Debutante Ball was cause for great celebration.

honor the significant achievements of nine remarkable girls. Debutantes entered the hall carrying armloads of roses, each escorted by two dashing young men. It was a poignant moment as proud fathers introduced their daughters, followed by the traditional waltz—a dance that had been rehearsed for many weeks with waltz master Charlie Dee.

There is not space to list the numerous accomplishments of these young ladies,



Nine debutantes prepare for their professional photograph.

but their volunteer work says it all: teaching soccer to athletes with disabilities, serving as a Florida Senate Page, serving as a liturgist at Siesta Key Chapel, volunteering at Selby Botanical Gardens, the Cat Depot and the Salvation Army; the youth ministry program at serving in the Redeemer; being involved with the American Cancer Relay for Life, Girls Inc. and G.W.I.Z. serving as an eucharistic minister to the homebound for St. Thomas More Catholic Church; interning in occupational therapy at two Sarasota Elementary Schools—Southside and Oak Park.



Jon Sams, Annalise Reebes Kapusta and Tyler Bazenas



Edon Lindsay-Taylor Veldkamp reads a letter from her parents.

The event was held at the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, which had been magically transformed by a draped canopy of lights. Dozens of round white tables had been set, with tall floral arrangements at the center. Chairs were covered with soft white cloth and tied with golden bows. The Sarasota Brass Quintet provided music for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, while Double Vision provided the sounds for after-dinner dancing.

The spacious auditorium was filled with tuxedos, gorgeous gowns and lively chatter, as parents, grandparents, siblings, friends and past debutantes gathered to

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Established in 1982 as an affiliate of the Sarasota Orchestra, The Debutante Program encourages each young woman to develop a sense of responsibility for the growth of artistic and cultural awareness in this and other communities. The motto of the program is "youth serving youth," and one of their main purposes is to raise funds for the Sarasota Orchestra's Youth Orchestra. As a result, over \$700,000 has been donated to the Youth Orchestra through the auspices of The Debutante Program.

Robin Serbin is president of the Debutante Committee. While Jacki Boedeker was Debutante Ball chair. The dinner was catered by Michael's On East. Congratulations to the nine young ladies honored: Ashley Elizabeth Falkner, Ashleigh Morgan Gregoria, Annalise Reebes Kapusta, Anna Elizabeth Marshall, Carlin Grace Maxwell, Christine Alexandra Merrill, Carlin Carroll Pacifico, Caroline Marie Rawe, and Edon Lindsay Taylor Veldkamp.