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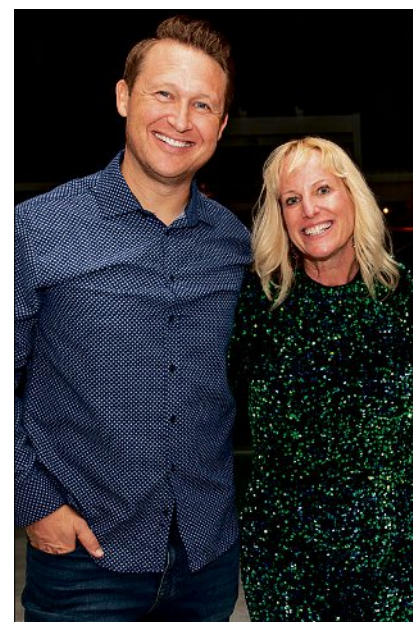
Nov. 15 – Private residence, Wellington



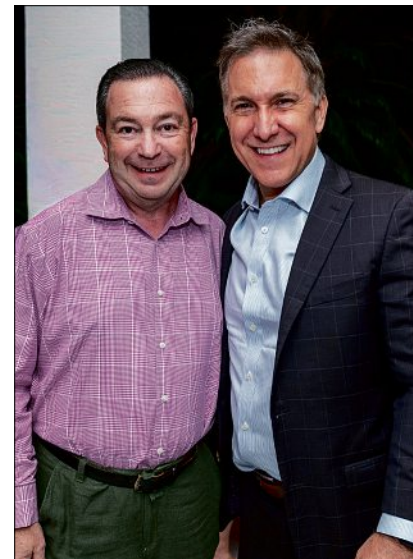
Christine Dirocco and Debra Barron
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Michael Barron, Brandi Felser, Dean Frohlich



Matt Lincoln and Brenna Barron



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Rachael and Todd Bonlarron, Pam Tahan

By Krystian von Speidel
Notables Editor

More than 100 people attended the inaugural Live. Give. Love. Todd D. Barron Foundation fundraiser on Nov. 15, held at the lakeside home of the Barron family in Wellington. The event raised more than \$150,000 and will establish the Todd D. Barron Research Fund at the Sarcoma Foundation of America (SFA).

The Live. Give. Love. Todd D. Barron Foundation was created in loving memory of Todd Barron, who battled Ewing's Sarcoma for six years before dying in January 2024 at the age of 49. The foundation's mission is to provide hope and support for individuals and families affected by sarcoma. It funds innovative research, raises awareness, and fosters a compassionate community. A devoted philanthropist, Barron left a significant imprint on Palm Beach County over several decades through his leadership and generosity. He founded the Young Friends of the Palm Beach Symphony in 2014 and served as board president of the Wellington Boys & Girls Club. He was a volunteer auctioneer at countless fundraising events and made contributions to numerous local organizations, including Maltz Jupiter Theatre and Palm Beach Opera.

Known for hosting exuberant gatherings for hundreds of guests, the evening reflected Barron's trademark bonhomie, warmth, joy, and love of fellowship among friends.

Todd Barron was an extraordinary man. This writer was privileged to know him through our mutual support of the Palm Beach

Symphony. His camaraderie remains deeply missed.

"Todd's courage, generosity, and commitment to others have long inspired our community," said SFA CEO Brandi Felser, who was joined at the event by Dean Frohlich, Director of Scientific Affairs at SFA. "We were honored to recognize him with the Amira Yunis Courage Award at the Stand Up to Sarcoma Gala in 2022, and it is deeply meaningful to see his legacy carried forward through this new research fund. The extraordinary support raised in his memory reflects the remarkable community he built and will make a real difference for patients and families facing sarcoma."

Attendees gathered poolside, enjoyed lively deejay entertainment, an energetic auction, and participated in a call to the heart led by Barron's older brother Michael Barron — which alone raised \$35,000.

Major sponsors included Great Flight, Provident Jewelry, and Boarderie.

"The evening far exceeded our expectations for an inaugural event, but its success is truly a reflection of the remarkable relationships Todd cultivated with friends and community members over the past few decades," said Debra Barron, Todd's widow and Director of the Live. Give. Love. Todd D. Barron Foundation. "This night is a testament to the impact he had on those individuals who have now become the founding supporters of The Live. Give. Love. Todd D. Barron Foundation."

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