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## Festive Hats Off! gala earns \$95,000 for the MS Foundation

Christina Lamb had been sailing since she was a small child. As an adult,



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she raced competitively and loved the thrill of it. But when multiple sclerosis began to rob her of her physical abilities, the disease forced her to give up the sport that meant so much to her.

Then she heard about Oceans of Hope, a 67-foot yacht that was sailing around the world, operated by a crew of MS patients.

The unique voyage is a project orchestrated by Mikkel Anthonisen, a Danish medical doctor and psychotherapist who has been working with MS patients for 14 years. Both Lamb, who lives in Vermont, and Anthonisen were guests at Hats Off!, a gala at Pier 66 benefiting the MS Foundation.

Lamb spent a month aboard the boat, sometimes braving heavy winds and rough seas. Not surprisingly, however, when she first heard about Oceans of Hope, she hesitated. "But then I thought that if I didn't do it, I would always regret it," she said. "I needed to prove that MS wasn't going to define me."

The Hats Off! Black-tie gala featured a festive cocktail reception, dinner and dancing. It also honored Drs. Ira and Marietta Glazer with a Fearless Volunteer award, and Dr. Daniel Kantor with a Leadership in Care award. The program also included a number of other speeches, however, and became too lengthy. But otherwise, the evening was a beauty.

Lynne and Ralph McGrath chaired the gala, which earned \$95,000 for the MS Foundation.

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**Jules Kuperberg, co-executive director of the MS Foundation, with Mikkel Anthonisen, founder of Oceans of Hope.**



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**Dr. Daniel Kantor, recipient of the Leadership in Care award, and Dr. Jack S. Burks at the MS gala.**



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**Ralph and Lynne McGrath with Jo Anne Lewis at the Hats Off! gala.**



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**Steve and Nathalie Sloane with Gloria and Tony Jacaruso at the MS gala.**



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**Isabella Glazer, Dr. Ira Glazer, Dr. Marietta Glazer and Gabriella Glazer at the MS gala.**

of Boca Raton for a black-tie gala chaired by Carol and Stephen Winig and Nanci and Stephen Beyer. The evening honored Lifetime Achievement award winners Claire and Gerald Manowitz and Jacob's Ladder For Child Advocacy award recipients Martha and Melvin Aronson, Tami and Perry Isenberg and Nancy and Alfred Katzin.

After a carnevale-themed cocktail reception, the 400 guests moved into the ballroom for the awards program, dinner and a live auction. The evening raised \$520,000 to provide services for abused, neglected, abandoned and developmentally disabled children in the tri-county area.

### BIKING FOR KID

A bike ride along A1A raised \$120,000 for Kids in Distress. More than 250 cyclists began the KID Inlet



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**Jason and Kelly Sundermeier with Eric Schenck, president of the MS Foundation, at Hats Off!**

Mar Yachting Center, and nearly 80 of them traveled 62 miles, or the Metric Century, into Palm Beach County. Others took on the 31-mile Half Metric Century course or the 15-mile Beach Cruiser challenge.

Corporate teams from Mednax, Stiles, JM Family Enterprises and Schlesinger Law took pedaling breaks to cool down at

water, Gatorade, protein bars, peanut butter sandwiches and fruit from Fresh Point. After the ride, cyclists and their families recuperated at Bahia Mar with a barbecue.

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**William Sheehan, Bertram Christensen and Mark Shloway at the Hats Off! gala for MS.**

