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## Crystal Cove gala celebrates film history

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LAGUNA BEACH – Crystal Cove supporters celebrated the area's Hollywood past at a gala event.

The Crystal Cove Alliance organized a night of "Surf, Sand and the Silver Screen" on Saturday. The event raised about \$200,000 for new arts, history and science educational programs at the park as well as continuing restoration and conservation efforts.



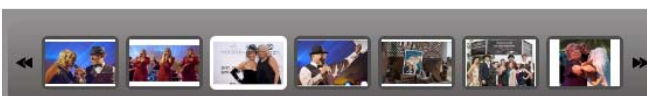
In addition to a red carpet and entertainment, the gala featured scenes dedicated to the movies filmed at the cove, which date back to 1918.

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Harry Helling, president and CEO of the Crystal Cove Alliance, welcomes guests to Surf, Sand, and the Silver Screen, the ninth annual beach gala Saturday evening, commemorating Hollywood and the films created right on the beaches of Crystal Cove.

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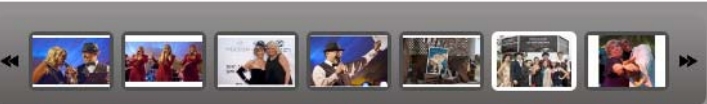
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Laura Davick, founder of Crystal Cove Alliance, right, and another guest enjoy themselves at the Hollywood-themed Surf, Sand and the Silver Screen gala.



Crystal Cove is transformed into a movie museum, recreating scenes reminiscent of the movies made on the beach, during Saturday's ninth annual Crystal Cove Alliance gala.



Chapman University students volunteer their time Saturday to play famous Hollywood characters during the Surf, Sand, and Silver Screen Crystal Cove Alliance gala.



Singers with Wayne Foster Entertainment brings back the tunes of the Anderson Sisters Saturday during the Crystal Cove Alliance beach gala.



Dona Leicht, left, grabs a partner and dances the night away during the Crystal Cove Alliance gala Saturday.



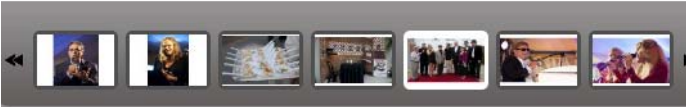
Giuseppe Lama, managing director of Pelican Hill Resort, thanks the Crystal Cove Alliance for allowing the resort to help restore its local beach during the Saturday's gala.

Madeline Irvine Swinden, honorary chairperson of the Crystal Cove Alliance, thanks guests for their hard work to make Saturday's gala a success.



Executive Chef Jean-Pierre Dubray of Pelican Hill Resort prepares a king crab, avocado puree, orange and grapefruit salad with chorizo oil.

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Board members of the Crystal Cove Alliance gather together for a group photo before the start of the ninth annual beach gala Saturday evening.

Wayne Foster performs classic 1950s music Saturday during the ninth annual Surf, Sand and Silver Screen beach gala, hosted by the Crystal Cove Alliance.



Harry Helling, right, president and CEO of the Crystal Cove Alliance, and Laura Davick, founder and president emeritus of Crystal Cove Alliance, thanks the sponsors of Surf, Sand, and the Silver Screen, the ninth annual beach gala Saturday.

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