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## Pink Tie Ball on Field at Angel Stadium; Glass Slipper Guild Gala Celebrates Children; Women's Philanthropy Fund Breakfast Features Leeza Gibbons

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I've been covering charity events for 20 years, and I've never attended a fundraiser on the field at Angel Stadium. It was an Orange County first, and the Pink Tie Ball benefiting Susan G. Komen for the Cure Orange County was the recipient, thanks to Angels Baseball and its Chairman **Dennis Kuhl**, who was beaming throughout the festivities.

Looking spiffy in their uniforms as they welcomed the 387 black-tie guests were members of the Sunburst Youth Challenge Academy, a high school for at-risk teens in Los Alamitos. Husband and wife ball chairs **Michael Gustafson** and **Trish Coury** (looking beautiful wearing a stunning fuchsia Oscar de la Renta gown and Black, Starr & Frost jewelry) greeted everyone at the sunset cocktail reception on the stadium terrace overlooking the field. Joining them were ball co-chairs **Marica Pendjer** and **John Miller** and **Analisa** and **Bruce Albert**. You couldn't miss the prevalence of pink attire – the breast cancer awareness color – on both men and women. **Jim McAleer's** hot pink tie and vest with his tuxedo wear was dashing. Bluewater Grill generously donated the cuisine, with the Mini Ball Park Dogs and Potato "Catcher's Mitt" with Kobe Beef the decided appetizer favorites.



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Dinner on the outfield was really an elegant "field of dreams" experience, with the entire dinner/dance area covered in white flooring and featuring Lucite tables lit from below in pink and covered in white eyelash organza table covers. It was magical.

Following the heartwarming Komen video, "We Fight Back," which was shown on the stadium jumbotrons, master of ceremonies **Ed Arnold** welcomed everyone and encouraged guests to participate in the Angels for Hope opportunity prize by purchasing one of the 200 Rawlings Official Major League baseballs, with the hope of getting one of the 10 limited edition commemorative Angels' 50th Anniversary baseballs signed by the Angels players. Each baseball purchase made you eligible for the grand prize – an 18k white gold Baume & Mercier women's watch with a mother-of-pearl and diamond face valued at \$10,000, courtesy of Black, Starr & Frost, later won by Analisa Albert.

**Sue Parks**, board president of the Orange County Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure, introduced the seven new Pink Tie Guys, "men who are brave enough to wear pink while they use their clout to fight breast cancer," she said. Arnold presented the pink ties, donated by Gold Sponsor Saks Fifth Avenue, to baseball Hall of Famer **Rod Carew**, Sperry Van Ness Advisor **Michael Gustafson**, Managing Partner at Rutan & Tucker **Ski Harrison**, Cinderella Cakes owner **Larry Pasternack**, and South Coast Plaza Director of Retail Design and Construction **Mike Paz**, who was also the silent auction chair. **Ron Andrews**, CEO of Clariant, Inc., and The Honorable **George Argyros**, former Ambassador to Spain, were not able to attend.

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Dinner, catered by the Anaheim White House, was delicious and featured a tasty filet of halibut and oven-roasted filet mignon entrée, with accompanying wines, courtesy of Trinchero Family Estates Winery. Many of the 163 Komen volunteers served as tableside pourers and behind-the-scenes kitchen helpers.

Breast cancer survivor **Rebecca Hultquist** gave a moving testimonial to the harshness of her treatment through surgery and radiation. She said, "The only way I made it through that year was by hanging on to my cherished family, neighbors and friends from PTA and church, and the information that I could beat this disease from Susan G. Komen for the Cure." Hultquist is celebrating five years as a survivor.

**Jake Parnell** from Stokes Auction Group

oversaw the live auction, which offered a surprise item, an Anaheim Angels game at Angel stadium in a VIP suite for 10 people hosted by Kuhl, with special guest Rod Carew. Also popular was the offering by Anaheim White House owner **Bruno Serato**, just named one of the world's 25 "Heroes" by CNN, which featured a seven-course dinner for 10 in your home, including a case of Louis Roederer wine and a "Cook for the Cure" special-edition Kitchen Aid stand mixer and food processor. Yard House President/CEO **Harald Herrmann** had the top bid for the night. He bid \$8,500 for a week's stay in a 19th century French castle.

The Ignite Your Promise portion of the evening followed, where guests could give from \$125 to \$25,000. Kuhl said Major League Baseball would match the first and second \$25,000 increments raised. Both were reached, with a total of \$114,900 raised for the effort. Fireworks exploded when Komen OC Executive Director **Lisa Wolter** announced the fifth annual ball's estimated net proceeds of more than \$300,000, with 75% remaining in Orange County for local services and 25% targeted through Komen for cancer research worldwide. **Jennifer Weerheim** from Yard House Restaurants stated that for every \$300 gift and above, the generous company would donate a gift card valued at \$25 per month for one year.

The Jay Sterling Band was a magnet for dancing, and, thanks to Cinderella Cakes, the guest favor was a yummy white chocolate baseball hat and ball and dark chocolate bat.

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Analisa and Bruce Albert, from left, Marica Pendjer and John Miller, enjoy the sunset reception at Angel Stadium for the Susan G. Komen 2011 Pink Tie Ball. They are supporting co-chairs for the event.

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Rachel Jackson-Smith, marketing director for Saks Fifth Avenue South Coast Plaza and David Smith are photographed at the evening reception at Angel Stadium for the 2011 Pink Tie Ball.

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Jim and Julie Ann Ulcickas, owners of Bluewater Grill, pose for a photo at the 2011 Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium. Julie Ann is a past gala chair. Blue Water Grill provided catering for the reception on Saturday night.

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Silver sponsors Wylie and Bette Aitken enjoy the sunset reception at Angel Stadium for the Susan G. Komen 2011 Pink Tie Ball on Saturday.

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Carrie Bollwinkle, from left, Chereen Pasternak and Morgen Hardigree enjoy the sunset reception at Angel Stadium for the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball.

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Michael Swanson and Carrie Bollwinkle attend the reception for the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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Peter Leets, from left, Master of Ceremonies Ed Arnold and Wylie Aitken share a laugh at a reception at Angel Stadium for the 2011 Pink Tie Ball.

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David and Rebecca Hultquist with 8-year-old daughter Kristina at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium. Rebecca is a breast cancer survivor.

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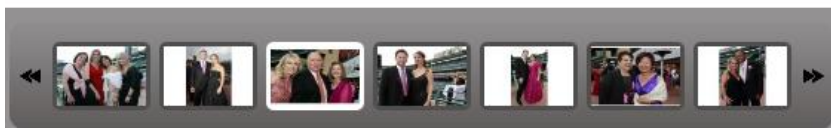
Kathryn Glassmyer, from left, Kim Pechar, Siew-Peng Yap and Ann Marie Stewart at the reception for the 2011 Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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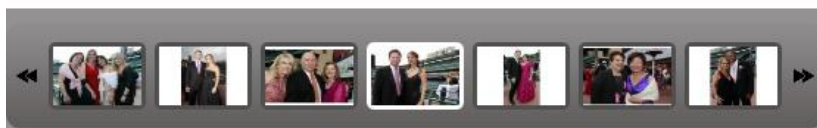
Ever Eternity, left, and Graham Strickler at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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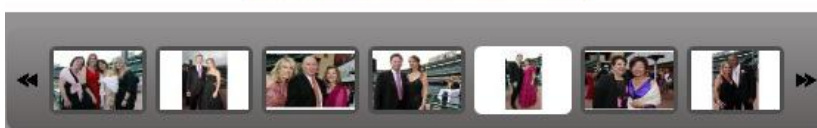
Sue Parks, Bruno Serato and Lisa Wolter, from left, at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium. Parks is the Board President, Wolters is the OC Executive Director and Serato, owner of the Anaheim White House restaurant catered the evening's event.

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John Miller and Marica Pendjer enjoy the sunset reception at Angel Stadium for the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball. They are supporting co-chairs for the event.

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Eric Finley, store manager and fine jewelry specialist at Oscar de la Renta in South Coast Plaza, and Ball Chair Trish Coury at the reception for the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball.

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Immediate past president Chris Tannous and immediate past secretary Nancy Enomoto attend the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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Former Angel player and MLB Hall of Famer Rod Carew with wife Rhonda at the reception for the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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Courtney and Harald Herrmann attend the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium. Harald is CEO of The Yard House restaurant.

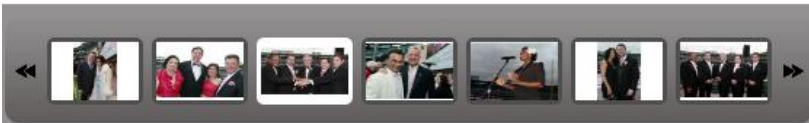
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Kathy and Jim Kramer, from left, with Estela and Sam Riela at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball held at Angel Stadium.

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Hall of Fame baseball player Rod Carew, from left, Larry Pasternak, Ski Harrison, Mike Gustafson and Mike Paz at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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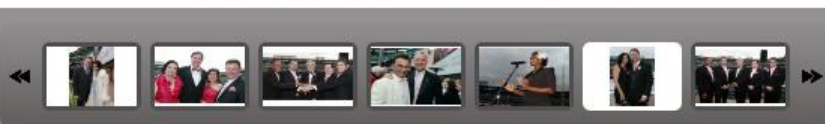
Jack Jakubowski, left, and Paul Myers at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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Singer Meloney Collins entertains guests at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball held at Angel Stadium.

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Gina and Barry Arbuckle at the 2011 Susan G. Komen Pink Tie Ball at Angel Stadium.

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