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THE PARTY Casa de Amparo continued its efforts to uplift abused and neglected children during its **25th annual Crystal Ball Gala**. Held at the Fairbanks Ranch Country Club in Rancho Santa Fe, the glamorous evening was attended by more than 200 well-heeled guests. **THE PEOPLE** San Marcos Deputy Mayor **Sharon Jenkins**, San Marcos Sheriff's Captain **Kevin Ralph**, Lennar vice president **Alan Willingham** and Rincon Tribal councilmember **Laurie Gonzalez** were a few notable faces spotted in the crowd. Partygoers enjoyed a gourmet dinner by chef **Jeffrey Strauss** of Pamplemousse Grill, highlighted by red wine-braised short ribs and a passionfruit tart. **THE PINNACLE** Guests vied for rare fine wines, coveted getaways, jewelry and more during the live and silent auctions. To commemorate the event's momentous anniversary, the 25 individuals honored throughout the gala's tenure were invited to attend. By the night's end, \$368,000 had been raised for the bright future of the organization's deserving Casa Kids.

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01/ Casa de Amparo board member Jerry Stein spoke. 02/ Dave Wredberg and Alexa Strobridge 03/ Fairbanks Ranch Country Club was decked out in blue and silver.



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04/ Angelo and Denisse Lucero 05/ Heather Jenkins, San Marcos Deputy Mayor Sharon Jenkins and Jennifer Cronin 06/ John and Carolyn Konecki 07/ Michael Platis, Debbie Slattery, Kayleen Huffman and Dr. Jon Montgomery



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