

LifeChronicles' Third Annual

Closets for a Cause

LOCAL BEAUTIES strutted down the runway modeling fashions for a cause at LifeChronicles' third annual *Closets for a Cause* on May 28th at Fess Parker Double Tree Resort.

"We have produced 400 videos, and we are always out there making more," shared Kate Carter, founder of LifeChronicles. "The videos mean so much to the families and impact the lives of those who create them."

Closets for a Cause is an event where clothes donated by locals and celebrities are auctioned to benefit LifeChronicles. For ten years, LifeChronicles' student volunteers have produced videotapes that capture a person's essence for the comfort and

guidance of those who succeed them.

For the first time this year 20 local artists were asked to be creative with barbies and create "Barbies Gone Wild" centerpieces that would be auctioned at the event. Mermaids, fairies, and a bronze ballerina sculpture that auctioned for \$250 adorned the tables. "It was a great hit," commented Carter. "It will definitely be done again."

Sharon Morrow and Linda Schwartz co-chaired the event. Honorary Chairs were Jann and Michael Jaffe. Celebrity Finola Hughes served as emcee. Hughes is an Emmy award-winning actress for her role as spy, Anna Devane, on



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Joann Younger, owner of Renaissance Fine Consignment



Standing: **Ralph MacFarlane**, **Diana MacFarlane**, **Lynda Millner**, and **Don Seth**
Sitting: **Barbara Anderson**, **Arlene Larsen**, **Joyce Shaar**, and **Marie Profant**



Mary Beth Larkin; **Finola Hughes**, Emcee; and **David Edelman**



Ann Moore; **Linda Schwartz**, LifeChronicles Board Member; **Carol Stewart**; **Barbara Anderson**; and **Sharon Morrow**, Event Co-Chair

ABC's *General Hospital* and *All My Children*. She currently hosts the Style Network show, *How Do I Look?* Hughes lives in Santa Barbara with her artist husband and three children. According to Carter, professional auctioneer Barry Sweet, with the help of guests, more than doubled last year's proceeds.

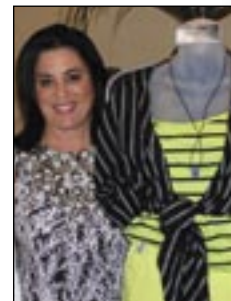
Models included locals, a Santa Barbara crew of firefighters, and celebrity Taylor Atelian from the *According to Jim* show on ABC. They wore fashions by Renaissance, Fine Consignment, Blue Bee Kids, Patagonia, and King Tux.

Among the top sponsors were Arlene and Milt Larsen, *Pazzazz! The Musical*; Maravilla Senior Living Community; Santa Barbara Bank & Trust; and Venoco.

For more information about LifeChronicles call 966-3411 or visit www.lifechronicles.org.



Laura Swift, **Cindy DeAnda**, and **Sally Swift**



Lorie Bartron, LifeChronicles Board Member



Barbie by **Ellen Orlando**

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