

*2019 Champagne & Chocolat Scholarship Gala
Benefiting Gaston LeNotre Scholarship Foundation*

PRESS RELEASE

What memorable soiree it was! The 19th Champagne & Chocolat Gala, held at the River Oaks Country Club on Valentines night, surpassed all others in its elegance, sophistication, artistic performances, including a gourmet dinner champagne and delectable chocolates, thanks to Co-Chairs, Katrina and Cecil Arnim and Mignon and Stephen Gill. Besides the traditional French cancan, guests enjoyed a spectacular Moulin Rouge themed tango performance by Ralph Vieberink and Carolyn Nihon, a Valentine's poetry reading dedicated by Houston's very own poet laureate, Deborah D.E.E.P. Mouton, and a most special Parisian inspired musical performance by Louis-Marie Fardet and Naomi Shabatani.

The Gaston LeNotre Ambassador award was bestowed to Deborah Woehler, for her extraordinary dedication to the Gaston LeNotre Scholarship Foundation whose mission is to make education accessible to deserving students through tuition scholarships. Marie LeNotre, President was beaming with the netted \$200K proceeds.

Joining in the evening's sublime festivities were, Bill King and Margaret Alkek Williams, Honorary Chairs, French Consul General Alexis Andres and Emmanuelle Andres, Alain LeNotre, Thomas Woehler, Hallie Vanderhider, Rolanette and Berdon Lawrence, Marie Bosarge, Jane Page Crump, Beth Wolff, Tina and Jonathan Stewart, Janine Iannarelli, Shane and Dennis Steger, Diane Lokey Farb, Evelyn and Daniel Leightman, Susan and Edward Osterberg, and Mary Alice and Michael Parmet.