

The Boys and Girls Clubs' Wonder Ball



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Always anticipated as a philanthropic powerhouse of a party—and an iconic toast to summer—the Woman's Board of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago once again dazzled its glamorous guests recently, **raising over \$2 million at the Wonder Ball**, its 68th annual gala.

Co-Chairs Robin Loewenberg Tebbe and Aimee Gray reflect the reputation of the Woman's Board, the go-to organization for learning how to plan a blockbuster gala.

Along with Board President Susan Lenny, their combined philanthropic experience and party expertise presented the 350 guests, including Meredith and Patrick Wood Prince, Trish Rooney, Shawn Donnelley, Eve Rogers, Beth and Bruce White, Ward and Melissa McNally, Margie and Kevin Steinman, Meredith and Bill Wolf, Laura and Matt Anderson, and Betsy and David Bradley with an extraordinary evening.

Tom Kehoe of Kehoe Designs used gray-washed wood tables, oversized lamps, and magenta spots to fill the ballroom of the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel with his vision of wonder and whimsy. Clever auction chairs, Betsy Bradley and Linda Gantz, provided **auctioneer David Goodman with items for a rousing round of bidding raising almost \$650,000!**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago offers programming to help children through their 23 sites around the city. The Clubs serve over 2,000 youth each day by providing a safe space where young people can build the skills and the relationships needed to teach their full potential.