



The dancing quartet greeters for Jodi House were Hans Betzholtz, Lisa Starr, Chris and Rebecca Coulter transport their electronic pianos for the gig in wigs.

The rest of the evening was wild with **Dan Satterberg** and **Marshall Charloff** doing their sing-along comedy routine and taking requests for dance tunes from their repertoire of 3,000 melodies. As my husband, **Don**, said, "It may be the first and last time we ever perform on the Granada stage."

There were no silent or live auctions. A short video showed us some of the people who come to Jodi House every day for direction and support. Executive Director **Kenneth Freeland** thanked the sponsors: "The Hutton Foundation, Goldman Sachs, JWS Group from Merrill Lynch, U. S. Trust, Venoco, Bank of Santa Barbara, Pacific Capital Bank Corp, and the Crawford Idema Family Foundation with special note to Classic Party Rental that so often helps out non-profits." Kenneth told the audience an anonymous person would match their donations up to \$25,000. Hands went up and the goal was reached.

Ken told me Jodi House would be moving into its new quarters next spring on Chapala Street where Chad's Restaurant used to be. It's a large property and they are building two additional buildings on the site. It will triple the space Jodi House currently has on Veronica Springs Road, which is due for demolition and develop-

ment anyway. The daycare facility now has room for about 100 people but will easily accommodate 200 after the move and will be able to offer more programs.

The creative committee included **Patricia Sadeghian** and **Amy Carpenter** along with Board President **Monica Intaglietta** and Development Director **Erin Johansson**. I'm not sure how these innovative and lively ladies (along with their fellow volunteers) are going to outdo this memorable fantasy Halloween evening next year. If you would like more information about Jodi House, or to visit, call 563-2882.

Eco-Chic Green Gala

The Community Environmental Council (CEC) invited the public to an eco-chic event simply called the Green Gala, held at Rockwood Woman's Club. CEC along with Merryl Brown Events transformed the Club with among other things, wheat grass for centerpieces and reusable cocktail napkins. The wheatgrass will go to Turtle Dreams, a local rescue facility for turtles and reptiles. There were greentinis (100% organic fruit and herbs) served on the flagstone terrace and an "eco-booth" for photos. The

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Shelley Noble with CEC Executive Director Dave Davis and CEC Board member Diane Boss at the Green Gala



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CEC supporters Jo and Ken Saxon enjoying the green party



Assistant Director of CEC Sigrid Wright with Sidney Adams-Raney from SBB Gourmet Catering and David Raney from the Partnership Council of CEC

music was Green Blues by **Palmer Jackson, Jr.** and **John Simpson.**

We went into the dining room for a meal inspired by local farmers and catered by SBB Gourmet Catering, accompanied by organic wines from Alma Rosa winery. Renaud's Patisserie designed a scrumptious dessert.

CEC claimed to have the shortest live auction ever with two "Staycations" on the block—one at the Biltmore and another at Ojai Valley Inn. Green points were awarded for special prizes. When asked, "How many people came in a hybrid car?" many hands went up. Carpooling earned more points, and one couple arrived on bicycles. Grand prize was an \$850 Tribred Free Rein, which is a three-wheel scooter of sorts that goes 18 mph and up to 12 miles on a charge.

CEC CEO and Executive Director **Dave Davis** named some local environmental heroes including **Dennis Allen** as a premier green contractor on the South Coast, **Jim Dehlsen** for Clipper WindPower and **Mario Borgatello** for taking recycling to the next level. "We salute you," he said. **Sigrid Wright** is Assistant Director; President of the Board is **Ivor John.**

The Committee behind the green theme was **Dayna Birkley, Diane Boss, Eileen Daley, Kathi King, Elizabeth Wagner** and Sigrid Wright.

CEC has been around for 40 years and calls itself a think-and-do tank with a mission to move the Santa Barbara region away from fossil fuels in one generation, or "Fossil Free by '33." For more information call 963-0583 or log on to www.cecsb.org.

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