

ROY'S SIXTH ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY EVENT RAISES \$35,000 FOR THE MONIQUE BURR FOUNDATION FOR CHILDREN

Jacksonville Beach, Fla. – Hawaiian fusion cuisine by celebrity chef Roy Yamaguchi, tropical drinks and live fire dancing set the scene at the Monique Burr Foundation for Children's annual event at Roy's Restaurant in Jacksonville Beach. The celebration, which has become one of Northeast Florida's most widely attended charity events, raised \$35,000 for the Foundation and its programs.

“We had a record turnout at this year's event with nearly 600 people in attendance and raised an extraordinary amount for our child-serving programs throughout the region,” said Monique Burr Foundation Executive Director Lynn Layton. “It is because of our generous sponsors, partners in Third Street Village and the First Coast community that this event was such a success. Every dollar raised will help children in the community through our educational and child abuse prevention programs.”

Guests at the culinary event noshed on contemporary Hawaiian-influenced gourmet cuisine and enjoyed fabulous fine wines and tropical beverages. Entertainment for the evening included a chic fashion show and live music and fire dancing by Prince Pele's Polynesian revue. In addition to the festivities at Roy's, guests had the opportunity to visit select boutiques in the Third Street Village including Bonefish Grill, Emily Benham, Focus Fitness, Leila's, Max & Company, Miriam's Fine Jewelry, Mrs. Howard, Private Gallery, Rosenblum's, Rosie True, and Starbucks. The stores featured extended hours for the event and provided silent auction items to benefit the Foundation.

Popular live auction items presented by the Monique Burr Foundation included a 2009 Club Car Precedent Golf Cart personalized by Jim Furyk, a seven-day stay in Steamboat Springs, Colo., at a four-bedroom, four-bath condominium, a dinner party for eight by world-renowned and James Beard-award-winning chef Roy Yamaguchi, and private cooking classes for 10 with Roy's Jacksonville Beach executive chef.

Sponsors for the event include GreenPointe Holdings, LLC, Hampton Golf, Clockwork Marketing Services, Moe's Southwest Grill, PRI Productions and Southern Wine and Spirits.