



First Bank of Greenwich Makes a Splash with B2B Event



Performers from Cirque Du Jour at The First Bank of Greenwich's memorable B2B event held at the Dome in downtown Greenwich last Thursday. (Photo courtesy of Ashley Fargo) See Liz Leamy's story on next page.

The First Bank of Greenwich B2B Event a Grand Community Celebration

By LIZ LEAMY

Last Thursday was certainly an affair to remember as many people from Greenwich and its surrounding areas convened at the expansive Dome building in downtown Greenwich to partake in The First Bank of Greenwich's spectacular Business-to-Business event to celebrate the power and strength of community in tandem with what has been a spectacular spring season so far.

This unforgettable event, which kicked off at 6pm and ran until 930pm, featured top-shelf entertainment, including amazing acrobats and dancers from Cirque Du Jour, a string ensemble of talented musicians and a talented DJ, Michelle Pasha, as well as an incredible art exhibit and delicious food and refreshments, designating this as a gold-star production in every way.

Throughout the night, people could be seen chatting, catching up and enjoying each other's company at this event which made for quite an electric atmosphere, to say the least.

"This has been a great event," said Sal Scavone of Greenwich. "It's terrific for the community to have these types of events because they help bring everyone together. It's an excellent way for you to interact with your neighbor and network with the community."

Certainly, there were many people from the Greenwich community and its surrounding areas attending this celebratory event, including, of course, Frank Gaudio, President and Chief Executive Officer of The First Bank of Greenwich who was in charge of putting together this whole unique experience, as well as Greenwich First Selectman Fred Camillo, among others.



J.C. Merz of Greenwich and Greenwich First Selectman Fred Camillo catch up at The First Bank of Greenwich's B2B event held at the Dome last Thursday. (Photo by Liz Leamy)

"Seeing so many people having such a good time together has been great and I'm just very happy to be here," said Ashley Fargo of Greenwich. "It seems to be a sign of all the good things that are happening right now, especially here in Greenwich."

For Gaudio, the night was a success on all fronts.

"It was a great night with such a great group of people and it was all about bringing fun to everyone," said Gaudio. "It's been so well received and I've had a lot of people calling and emailing me to say thank you and telling me how much they loved it, which means everything. Everyone has

had so many good things so say, including how they said the event was amazing, with one friend saying it had a real 'yin and yang' feel about it, citing the Cirque Du Jour performers and classical musicians, which was great. This whole event has really been wonderful to be part of and I'm just so glad everyone had such a good time."

In addition to those from Greenwich who were in attendance at this event, many people also came in from all around the New York metropolitan area, including Fairfield, Westchester and Putnam Counties, as well as Long Island and New Jersey, further adding to the exciting energy of the evening.

"This has been an incredible night and the energy here is palpable," said Ashley Fargo of Greenwich. "Everyone has been having a great time and it's one of those experiences so many will remember for a long time to come, thanks to the generosity of everyone at The First Bank of Greenwich."

All evening, people lined up for such complimentary gourmet fare as sushi, chicken and shrimp, charcuterie and cheeses as well as an extensive dessert selection and other tasty treats provided by Marcia Selden Catering and Events based in Stamford, Moli, Miku and Hinoki Sushi of Greenwich and Atelier BE Chocolat of Fairfield.

Along with the amazing selection of delicious food offerings, Randy's Wines in Cos Cob and Val's Putnam Wines & Liquors provided refreshments for party goers while the Cirque Du Jour performers, many of who were donned in neon-lit costumes, danced in synch to the high-energy music of DJ Michelle Pasha, who plays at the Greenwich Polo Club during its summer season.

Photography at this event, meanwhile, was provided Natasha Miller of Tashography LLC of Greenwich and the Absolutely Fabulous Photo Boother of Cos Cob, who spent much of the evening taking fun and memorable pictures of many attendees there, as well as of the performers, food and art displays.

"It was great to have so many local businesses involved in this event," said Gaudio. "It's all about supporting everyone here in the community and working together."

Perhaps more than anything, it was clear that many friendships and connections were being forged and solidified among virtually everyone on hand at this event, making this a night that resonated of great optimism, something that ultimately was the most vital takeaway of this high-octane

evening.

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Courtney Fischer, Michael D'Angelo and Ashley Fargo having fun at The First Bank of Greenwich's memorable B2B event at the Dome in downtown Greenwich. (Photo by Liz Leamy)

