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Laughter and tears at Komen luncheon

The recent Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation luncheon at the Ritz-Carlton welcomed almost 600 who enjoyed both tears and laughter, thanks to guest speaker **Geralyn Lucas**, author of "Why I Wore Lipstick to My Mastectomy." Geralyn, eight months pregnant with her second child, learned she had breast cancer at 27 ... and was told she could never again have children.

Honored at the luncheon was **Charlie Ann Sypret**, surrounded by her husband, **Jim**, stepsons **Todd** and **Troy** (who flew in from Atlanta) and daughter-in-law **Julie**.

Local president **Fran Lambert** announced the "Build for the Cure," a house near Lido Beach and St. Armands being built by **Craig Adams** of Paradigm Development and **Michael Voigt** of Voigt Building and Design. The house will be used to raise money exclusively for breast cancer research, education and early detection programs.

Co-chairs of the luncheon

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were **Ilene Fox**, **Ellen Brenner** and **Sheila Kasdan**.

Unplanned honors

Cheers to **Barbara Zdravecky**, named CEO of the Year by Planned Parenthood Federation of America as winner of the Ruth Green Award during its "Hope, Justice, Freedom"-themed annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

Said fan and friend **Walt Cannon**, who also happens to be immediate past board chairman and nominated her for the award, "Barbara is the most committed and compassionate woman I've ever worked with ... totally dedicated to thousands."



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Michael Foster, Debbie Allen of Fleming's, and Frank Morgan

The local group also tucked into its trophy case a national Affiliate Excellence Award for its strong volunteer program.

Romance on the wing

"Remember the Romance" Bachelor Ball and Auction kicked off the other afternoon with a party at Fleming's when the bachelors met one another,

UCP leader **Wendy Resnick**, and **Mark Resnick**, who will be emcee.

Coming up are two meet-the-bachelor parties, one at the Five O'Clock Club May 13 and the other at the Tasting Room June 3 before the big event at Michael's June 10. It's a don't-miss party for the singles in town.