

LA VIDA LOCAL

Martha Stewart gets Ritzy Like 18



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Martha Stewart isn't one to miss a posh party. The domestic goddess worked the room at a VIP reception out on by Lionheart Capital and Du Jour magazine to celebrate the upcoming Ritz-Carlton Residences Miami Beach Friday evening, at the site of the old Miami Heart Institute. Wearing a beige and white outfit and dramatic gold chunky necklace, Stewart (who is reportedly on the hunt for a pad down here) gamely posed with just about anybody who asked for a photo, but at 7 on the dot — the official time the party ended — made her way to the door. Also at the festivities was food fest founder **Lee Brian Schrage**, Du Jour editor **Jason Binn** and *Real Housewives of*

NYC star **Ramona Singer**, who arrived solo in a figure-hugging rust-colored crocheted dress and naturally did not discuss her split from philandering hubby **Mario**.

Former NYC Police Commissioner **Ray Kelly** was having a nice night out with wife **Veronica**. The couple was on a hunt for "a nice Italian restaurant where Miami Heat players go" and were asking for suggestions. They also mentioned they had a chit-chat with Stewart. "I asked her about who does her hair," said Veronica, a fellow blonde. "It's always so perfect."

MUSCLE MAN

Robert Irvine either doesn't sleep or has a clone. The *Restaurant Impossible* host did the almost-impossible, appearing at almost event the SoBe Wine & Food Fest had to offer. What's his secret? Irvine told the crowd at Paul & Young Ron's Celebrity Cook-Off at the Loews Miami Beach Hotel that he's strong and lean because of all the lifting he does (like when **Paula Deen** jumped on his back for a ride during a cooking demo Sunday) but rarely does cardio. At the Fun and Fit as a Family event Saturday at Jungle Island, the 49-year-old Tampa resident credited his physique with eating a lot of his own Fit Crunch bars.

THEY'RE WORTH IT

Finally, a retreat from talking about eating! On Friday afternoon, while the SoBe Wine & Food Fest was in full swing, some local fashionistas and VIPS convened at PAMM's Verde restaurant for a look-see at L'Oréal Paris' newest launches in cosmetics, skincare and hair products.

The mixed bag of beauties included telenovela stars **Gaby Espino** and **Elizabeth Gutierrez**; basketball wife **Jenine Howard** (with Heat player hubby **Juwan Howard**); *El Gordo y la Flaca*'s **Lili Estefan**; R&B singer **Deborah Cox**; lifestyle expert/restaurateur **Amaris Jones**; and *Al Rojo Vivo* host **Candela Ferro**.

A few *Real Housewives of Miami* casters also joined in on the festivities (the ones who actually get along): **Lisa Hochstein**, **Alexia Echeverria**, **Adriana De Moura** and **Marysol Patton**.

After getting hair and makeup touch-ups, many of the ladies sat down with local sketch artist **Erin Una**, known for her way flattering digital portraits.

HEAR IT FOR THE BOYS

Miami Heat point guard **Mario Chalmers** and former Dolphin **Jason Taylor** teamed up for a charity event Friday night at Specialty Automotive Treatments in Fort Lauderdale with eats from new nearby restaurant, Beauty & The Feast. Proceeds benefited both men's foundations. Taylor's been busy — he recently co-hosted Entertainment Tonight with Nancy O'Dell.

BRUNCH GODDESS

Attendees of **Trisha Yearwood's** Southern Kitchen Brunch Sunday at the Loews Miami Beach Hotel were not disappointed. If you liked her cooking as well as her music, the fest event was a double header. Talk about bringing home the bacon and frying it up in the pan: The country star and Food Network-er did about four or five songs including a cover of Linda Ronstadt's *Blue Bayou*. Yearwood told the crowd that organizers were looking for someone to provide musical entertainment and asked her for suggestions, and she replied, "Why not me?" Trisha's husband, fellow country star Garth Brooks, was not in attendance, but she got an assist from sister Beth Bernard.

GETTING PATERNAL

Simon Cowell was seen beaching at One Bal Harbour over the weekend with South Florida raised baby mama **Lauren Silverman**, their yorkies, and newborn son Eric. Cowell, who some say was sporting what seems to be pec implants, was all smiles with fans. Across town Sunday night, Cowell's ex *X-Factor* co-judge **Paulina Rubio** had a late night dinner with friends at Juvia, enjoying "several" Beluga Lychee Martinis (and food).

JAMES' JAM

The night after defeating the Thunder and breaking his nose, **LeBron James** spent Friday night at the movies, seeing *Robocop* with his sons. Movies? How appropriate. James, who is rumored to be starring in *Space Jam 2*, later headed to SL Miami at The James Royal Palm to celebrate the birthday of **Jaron Kanfer**, the basketball star's close friend and business partner in his Aventura store, unknwn. While James, hanging out with 49ers player **Donte Whitner**, didn't drink, he sent his friends a few bottles of Dom Perignon Rose.

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