

## **80s PARTY RAISED AWESOME FUNDS**

June 23, 2009 (WESTON, CT) -- Madonna, Gordon Gekko, and Pat Benatar – icons of the 1980s and attendees at the Weston Women’s League’s “Totally Awesome 80s Party” – as costumed guests, that is. The League’s annual spring fund-raiser, held on April 4<sup>th</sup> at The Meadowlands in Darien, harkened back to a time when A Flock of Seagulls rocked and leg warmers ruled. Among partygoers were preps clad in pink and green, metal-studded vest wearers, and those sporting “scrunchies” and fluorescent accessories.

Acid-washed denim abounded as guests danced to Duran Duran, Devo, and Def Leppard, taking breaks to swing by the scotch and cigar bar, sponsored by Norwalk’s HBSC Westport Avenue branch. Silent and live auctions also delighted the crowd; the showcase of items was impressive as was the generosity of vendors and the community at large. Both are deeply appreciated by the Women’s League and were indeed instrumental in the night’s success.

The results are in and monies tallied, totaling over \$14,000 to disperse to area charities. Among this year’s recipients are AmeriCares of Stamford, Caroline House of Bridgeport, and Weston’s own Department of Social Services. AmeriCares plans to improve their Well Women’s Clinic in Norwalk, while Caroline House will supplement its Mother and Child Literacy Program. The funds given to the town of Weston will go toward the Food Pantry and Social Services programs.

Led by co-chairs, Francine English and Anne Bigin, the 80s Party doubled as a social outing to remember and a fruitful evening. The League’s philanthropic efforts are year-round and benefit those in need throughout Fairfield County. For further information about the organization or to sponsor a charity event, contact WWL President, Tammy Roberts, at [troberts@123mail.net](mailto:troberts@123mail.net) or visit [www.westonwomensleague.com](http://www.westonwomensleague.com).

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(From left): Monica McCall, Mary Ellen Gavin (Caroline House), Connie Bertkau (AmeriCares), Anne Bigin, and Francine English. Recipient not pictured: Charlene Chaing-Hillman (Weston Department of Social Services)