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**Jefferson's Ferry Foundation Welcomes Supporters and Residents  
to Enjoy a "New York State of Mind" at its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala**  
*Popular Fundraiser Benefits the Foundation's Resident Assistance Fund*

**South Setauket, NY—April 2024** – Every spring for nearly 20 years, Jefferson's Ferry residents, donors, and vendors have joined Jefferson's Ferry management, staff and board members to support the Jefferson's Ferry Foundation at its annual gala fundraiser. This year was no exception. The party, held at Flowerfield in St. James, celebrated the vibrant community, active lifestyle, and peace of mind that can be found in abundance at Jefferson's Ferry.

All proceeds from the evening will benefit the Foundation's Resident Assistance Fund, which was established in 2006 to provide financial assistance to Jefferson's Ferry residents who outlive their assets or experience a shortfall through no fault of their own. Over the years, the Resident Assistance Fund has played a role in upholding the Life Plan Community Promise of peace of mind and health care for Jefferson's Ferry residents by subsidizing the monthly fees of residents in need.

This year, the gala gave a nod to New York City nightlife with "A New York State of Mind" theme. Party-goers enjoyed live music by the Jazz Loft, dancing, New York-style hor d'oeuvres, casino-style gaming and hand-rolled cigars.

With Jefferson's Ferry's "Journey Towards Renewal" renovation and expansion project a hair shy of completion--the new Memory Support Neighborhood is due to open in the coming weeks -- the gala honored the two architectural and design firms critical to the project, KDA Architects and Merlino Design Partnership (MDP). Principal architect and KDA Partner David Fowles and principal designer and MDP President Bruce Hurowitz were on hand to accept their honors.

"The outpouring of generosity in support of the Jefferson's Ferry Foundation and the Resident Assistance Fund is deeply gratifying and demonstrative of the strong community bond we enjoy

here at Jefferson's Ferry," said President and CEO Bob Caulfield. "We have neighbors helping neighbors through the Resident Assistant Fund and in so many other less tangible but no less important ways. It's one of the many reasons Jefferson's Ferry is such a singular community."



There was a party going on recently at Jefferson's Ferry Foundation's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala in support of its Resident Assistance Fund, which provides financial assistance to Jefferson's Ferry residents who outlive their assets or experience a shortfall through no fault of their own. Reflective of this year's "New York State of Mind" theme, partygoers posed with "NYC taxi cabs" to kick off the event. Pictured here: (L to R:) Jefferson's Ferry residents Ruth Weinreb, Rose Modica, Josephine Pheffer, Jean Grunwald and Dolores Dellova. (Photo by resident Martin Cohen)

**About Jefferson's Ferry** [www.jeffersonsferry.org](http://www.jeffersonsferry.org)

Jefferson's Ferry is a not-for-profit Life Plan Community for active adults aged 62 and above, with Independent Living cottages and apartments, assisted living apartments, and a quality health care center all on one site. A multi-million-dollar expansion and renovation project, "The Journey Toward Renewal," is part of a larger strategic initiative launched in 2018 to create a life-enriching environment for all new and current residents at every stage of their life. Journey to Renewal has added 60 one- and two-bedroom independent living apartments, provided six distinct dining venues, an expanded Healthy Living Center, Fitness Center, and its state-of-the-art Rehabilitation Therapy Center. A new Memory Support Neighborhood will provide a high quality of life and care for people diagnosed and living with Alzheimer's and other dementia-

related diseases. Common areas in Assisted Living and the Health Care Center will be renovated.

Jefferson's Ferry offers exceptional living and amenities, including indoor pool, computer center, library, recreational areas, gardens, and gazebos. A mix of cultural excursions, civic activities, and a community of residents who help shape Jefferson's Ferry's future ensures a spirited and engaged lifestyle.

The Vincent Bove Health Center at Jefferson's Ferry enjoys a 5-star rating from The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and was named a "Best Of" nursing home by U.S. News & World Report. Jefferson's Ferry has repeatedly earned the industrywide Community Choice Award for resident satisfaction and engagement and has been recognized with the Pinnacle Quality Insight's Customer Experience Award for five years running. FitchRatings has assigned Jefferson's Ferry a BBB bond rating. Jefferson's Ferry has consistently been voted Best Retirement Community, Best Nursing Home and Best Assisted Living on Long Island by The Long Island Press and has been recognized for Excellence by the Hauppauge Industrial Association's Business Achievement Awards program.

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