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We Got the Beat! Most Successful All-Female Rock Band *The Go-Go's* to Perform at Local Firefly Gala Forty Carrots Family Center Announces Spring 2014 fundraiser

(Sarasota, FL) Internationally loved pop-rock hit makers *The Go-Go's* will perform at **Forty Carrots Family Center's Firefly Gala**, presented by **The Dart Foundation**, on **Saturday, March 29, 2014** at **The Ritz-Carlton Members Golf Club**. In its fourth year, this popular fundraising event is the private performance of the season complete with gourmet dinner, auction and all the fanfare of a full-scale rock performance.

Four-time chairwoman Ariane Dart (pictured here with some of her committee) is preparing for this high energy rock and roll gala – all with a compelling purpose of raising vital funds for Forty Carrots Family Center.

The Dart Foundation is dedicated to enhancing educational opportunities for youth by supporting community projects that offer children and young adults a better chance at succeeding both at school and in life. “The Dart Foundation embraces Forty Carrots’ mission to strengthen families through educational programs for parents, children and professionals. We are pleased to continue to support this annual benefit to aid families in Sarasota and Manatee counties,” says Ariane Dart, Forty Carrots Trustee and The Dart Foundation representative.

Following the past three years of legendary and award-winning bands *Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo*, *Blondie* and *KC & the Sunshine Band*, this year's gala continues to combine rock star entertainment with world-class dining and gala elegance all with the chance to win

exciting auction items. Get ready for this all ladies rock and pop-loving, fun high energy spring fundraiser. We Got the Beat!

What: *Firefly Gala starring The High Priestesses of Pop "The Go-Go's"* presented by The Dart Foundation When: 6 pm Saturday, March 29, 2014 Where: The Ritz-Carlton Members Golf Club, 15150 70th Terr., E., Bradenton

For sponsorship details or information on how to be involved email info@fortycarrots.com or call (941)365-7716. Visit www.fireflygala.org or www.fortycarrots.org. Follow **The Firefly Gala** on Facebook.

Committee Members Pictured: Back row standing: Gretchen Manniow, Rebecca Lockwood, Melissa Morsli, Kim Hill, Katrina Otchet, Bonnie Lancaster, Keffie Lancaster, Ashley Williams, Alisa Westberry, Tonya Getzen-Gowan, Kevin Vale. **Front Row seated:** Jane Bennett, Jennifer Abbott, Michelle Kapreilian, Ana Varone, Jacqueline Letschert. **Front row standing:** Ariane Dart, Chair holding an *Electric Guitar borrowed from FOGT'S GULF COAST MUSIC CENTER*. **Committee members not pictured:** Carolyn Alves, Susan Atherton, Monica Barth, Anna DeFelice, Theresa Getzen, Minta Getzen, Erin Guzzo, Kim Hickerson, Melinda Huff, Geri Jo Manson, Jennifer Miller, Anita Rahn, Christina Rodrigues, Jackie Rogers, Mindy Rollins, Kam Sokmensuer, Cassandra Stanley, Ellen Steinwachs, Emily Tack, Karrah Voros, Retta Wagner, Courtney Washmuth, Kerry McCarthy, Sophia Emanuelli

Forty Carrots Family Center is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening families through educational programs for parents, children and professionals in the field.

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