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THE RETREAT'S ANNUAL LOVE-ALL AGAINST ABUSE TENNIS EVENT HONORS NANCY COHN AND RAISES FUNDS TO SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS

AMAGANSETT, NY — July 25, 2025 — The Retreat, a leading nonprofit organization on Long Island dedicated to providing safety, shelter, and support for individuals and families impacted by domestic violence, abuse, sexual assault, and human trafficking, hosted a successful fundraiser at Sportime Amagansett on July 19. Guests enjoyed an engaging afternoon of 105-style tennis alongside skilled pros, followed by cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and lively silent and live auctions. The event brought together members of the local community and raised more than \$150,000 to support and sustain The Retreat's vital, life-changing programs and services.

A Day of Competitive Fun

Generously hosted by Sportime Amagansett, the fundraiser was filled with energy and friendly competition amongst supporters of The Retreat, along with family and friends. The tennis portion of the event was followed by light bites and cocktails to accompany the speaker and the live auction, emceed by board members Kristen Erickson, with Markie Hancock, Kathryn Gregorio and Anne Kothari as auctioneers. Board member and survivor Irma Negron shared her story and journey to finding The Retreat. It was an inspiring afternoon for a good cause.

A Lifeline for Domestic Abuse and Human Trafficking Survivors

For nearly 40 years, The Retreat has been a lifeline for women and families in crisis, providing safe shelter, counseling, legal advocacy, and educational outreach. In 2024 alone, The Retreat provided more than 9,000 legal services and nearly 450 court accompaniments to those in need, all at no cost. In addition, The Retreat was there to answer over 3,000 calls to its multi-lingual 24-hour hotline. The organization also delivered prevention education to schools across the region.

Supported by Key Philanthropic Leaders

We are grateful for our generous sponsors who made this event possible, including Myron Cohn, Kristen Erickson and Jen Steven, Martina Navratilova, JR McCabe, the Tennis Channel, Sinclair, Emily Tisch Sussman, Bill and Janet Dickey, Laura and Lawrence Rosenstock, John Rhea, Judith and Warren Feder, Louise and Steve



Bergerson, Hana Sromova and Claude Okin, and Karen Blakely. Also in attendance were our board members and tennis committee members including Francesca and Rob Odell, Michael Goldstein and Jackie Mitchell, Ellie Kurrus, Samantha Roady, Chris Satek and Darby McHugh. Their support and involvement is necessary to continue the success of our mission. Other party guests were Bret and Sarah Leas, Marcy Simon, Armen Basmadjian, Brooke Bohnsack, and Shelley Sonenfeld.

The Need Continues

While the success of this tennis event is cause for celebration, the need for The Retreat's services remains constant and continues to grow. Domestic violence affects 1 in 4 women nationwide, and the demand for safe housing and support continues to grow. The Retreat relies on the generosity of the community to sustain its vital programs and expand its reach. Whether through volunteering, donating or spreading awareness, everyone is invited to join our mission.

For more information about The Retreat, upcoming events, or ways to get involved, please visit allagainstabuse.org or call 631-329-4398.

Retreat Tennis Photos / All photos by Mark Kopko

- 1. The Retreat's Executive Director Cate Carbonaro speaks to the audience during the cocktail hour and live auction portion of the Nancy Cohn Memorial Love-All Against Abuse Tennis Event for The Retreat on July 19.
- 2. A wide array of coveted items were part of a live auction, hosted by auctioneers Kathryn Gregorio and Retreat Board Member Anne Kothari at the Nancy Cohn Memorial Love-All Against Abuse Tennis Event for The Retreat on July 19.
- 3. Retreat Board Members Markie Hancock and Anne Kothari at the Nancy Cohn Memorial Love-All Against Abuse Tennis Event for The Retreat on July 19.
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About the Retreat: The Retreat is a safe haven for families in crisis across Suffolk County. The not-for-profit agency provides comprehensive domestic violence support services for children and adults, as well as violence



prevention programming. If you or someone you know needs help, call The Retreat's 24-hour hotline at (631) 329-2200. For more information, visit allagainstabuse.org or follow @allagainstabuse on Instagram and Facebook.