



GROWING GREAT

by Mona Day

Josiah Citrin, Chef/Owner of Michelin Two-Star restaurant *Mélisse* in Santa Monica did a chef demo in support of Growing Great's second annual Farm to Table benefit. Other chef joining Citrin included Mike Tiva of Wolfgang Puck Bar & Grill and Rising Star Chef Diana Stavaridis who is gearing up to helm the kitchen at the soon to open Manhattan House Pub in Manhattan Beach.

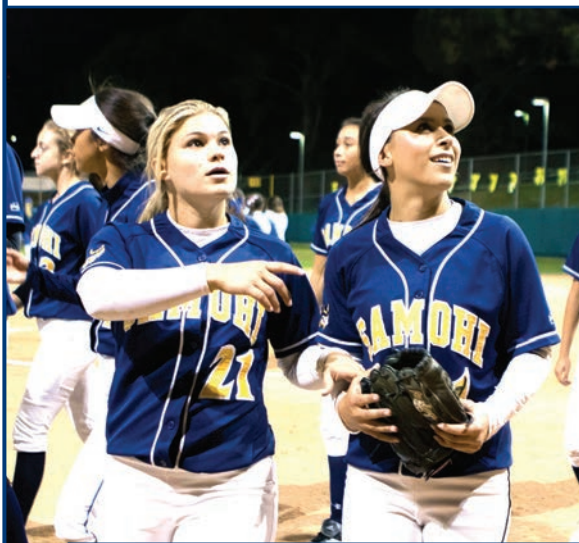
The event honored philanthropists Ellen and Mike Rosenberg with the nonprofit's Green Fork Award. A live auction featured such prizes as The Golf Lovers Package for Four at Old Head of Kinsale County Cork, Ireland; a Wine Country Adventure for Two featuring two nights at Farmhouse Inn, Sonoma, a three course dinner at its Michelin-star restaurant and private wine-tasting tours; a Beach Party and Wine Pairing Dinner for ten at the Strand House, Manhattan Beach; and

a Steamboat Springs, Colorado Get-away for four with a private cabin for five days.

All proceeds benefited Growing Great, which empowers children to grow up healthy through gardening and nutrition education, interactive programs and hands-on activities to change the eating habits of current and future generations. The organization also trains over 330 parent volunteers a year through a virtual education portal where parents can watch interactive videos and access to tools to deliver Classroom Nutrition (five 35-minute lessons for grades 3-5), and School Garden Programs (lessons, plantings, and garden projects for both Fall and Spring seasons grades K-5). Currently, the organization is in the process of piloting Nutrition lessons for K-2. To date, Growing Great has impacted over 250,000 children and families.

For more information, please visit www.growinggreat.org.

It's Official!



Senior, Carly Condon of the Lady Vikings was officially asked by her boyfriend, Senior, Noah Barba Samohi Vikings player to the Senior Prom.

Noah and Carly have been going out for the past 2 years and have both been playing for Samohi's



Softball and Baseball teams and supporting each other all the way. Just coincidentally, both of them wear the #1 and are both 3rd generation Samohi Vikings!

The Samohi Baseball team just had



a tough loss to El Segundo making them co-Champions of the Ocean League, but that didn't stop many of the boys and their families from walking over to the girls field to cheer their Lady Vi-



kings on. The girls won their game 4-0, then just as they were walking back to the dugout, Carly's teammate, Annie Quine, told Carly to look up. A Softball came flying onto the field, which Carly caught. It said "PROM?"....so it's official, Carly and Noah will be going to their Senior Prom together this Saturday at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.



Photos by Wendy Perl

Sunday, May 17, 2015

12PM-4PM: Artist Studio Tours
 12PM-6PM: Silent Auction / Celebration / Imagination Station
 12PM, April 24-May 15: Paddle 8 Online Preview

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