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## LOPEZ GETS HIS LICKS

**H**ost **George Lopez** pulled no punches in Thursday night's fight to eradicate lupus, the autoimmune inflammatory disease. At the 10th annual Lupus L.A. Orange Ball, held at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel, the comic came out swinging.

"Lupus targets women of color, not you out there with fake tans, but blacks and Latinas. It's safe to say that lupus is the opposite of **Tiger Woods**," he sniped. And that was just his first attack.

"'American Idol' finale tickets are part of the live auction tonight," Lopez informed the crowd. "You can see them on the final show, then later at Medieval Times. I think **Sanjaya** is one of the bus boys here tonight."

And when introducing "ER" star **Parminder Nagra** as one of the presenters, Lopez took a sucker punch at **Jay Leno**, his competition for the latenight talkshow audience. "ER" took 16 years to build NBC into a powerhouse, and Jay Leno took five months to ruin it," he said.

**Rita Wilson** adopted a kinder approach as she presented **Cindy** and **Glenn Frey** with the Loop Award for their activism in fighting lupus. Then the real



**George Lopez and Snoop Dogg crack up at Lupus L.A. Orange Ball; Glenn Frey's wife, Cindy, breaks the color code in yellow dress.**

fun began as **Joe Walsh**, Frey's musical partner from the Eagles, hit the stage. He, Frey and a seriously tight band played an extended set, which brought **Snoop Dogg** and his wife, **Shante Broadus**, to their feet, as well as **Wayne Newton**.

Even stranger was the sight of **Timothy B. Schmit**, the bass player who has been an integral part of the Eagles since 1977, sitting in the audience while his band rocked the house.

Orange was also the color of the 17th annual Race to Erase MS, held Friday at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza, where **Tommy Hilfiger** sent actors, athletes and models out in a runway show. **Ali Landry**, **Kelly Hu**, **Deborah Gibson**, **Robert Knepper**, **Lindsey Vonn** and organizer **Nancy Davis**' two little girls, **Isabella** and **Mariella**, made sure there was a lot of strutting going on.

Vonn and **Apolo Ohno** left all modesty aside, referring to their "heroic athletic feats" as they introduced **Nancy** and **Ann Wilson** of Heart to the stage to perform. **Dr. Phil** and **Robin McGraw** tooted their son's horn instead of their own as they plugged **Jay McGraw**'s show "The Doctors" while explaining the terrible toll that multiple sclerosis takes on its sufferers. The event raised \$2 million for the Nancy David Foundation for Multiple Sclerosis.



**Rita Wilson arrives, and Scott Grimes and Parminder Nagra are presenters at Lupus L.A.**



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## HELPING OUT



**LUPUS LA ORANGE BALL:** George Lopez hung out with Snoop Dogg at the fund-raising event at the Beverly Wilshire Four Seasons Hotel.



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Glenn Frey and Joe Walsh, of the Eagles perform at the 10th Annual Lupus LA Orange Ball on Thursday in Beverly Hills, Calif. Frey and his wife Cindy were honored at the event.

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## StarTracks



### IT TAKES TWO

Buddies George Lopez and Snoop Dogg pal around at the 10th Annual Lupus L.A. Orange Ball in Beverly Hills on Thursday. Lopez later hosted the night's festivities, which raised awareness for the rare disease.

# BEVERLY HILLS COURIER

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It was a celebration that rocked the ballroom at The Beverly Wilshire... Lupus LA's 10th anniversary "Orange Ball" celebration honored three individuals who inspire hope in the lives of lupus patients and their families...

Dr. Renee Rinaldi, member of the group's medical board and prominent internist/ rheumatologist, received The Daniel J. Wallace Founders award.

Cindy and Glenn Frey took home The Loop award for their commitment to making a difference for others through a multitude of worthy causes. Cindy, a professional dancer and assistant choreographer, was diagnosed with lupus 15 years ago... Glenn helped mold American popular music since the early 70s. In addition to being a founding member of The Eagles, he has also written many songs with partner Don Henley, both of whom are members of the Songwriter's Hall of Fame. Along with band mates Joe Walsh and Timothy Schmit, they continue to play around the world and were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Human Genome Sciences received the Medical Visionary award for developing the drug Benlysta, the most promising in

product to treat systemic lupus. Dr. William Freimuth accepted the award on the company's behalf.

After a live auction conducted by actor/comedian Phill Lewis... tickets to *American Idol* Finale Performance, a walk on role on HBO's *Curb Your Enthusiasm*, a golfer's paradise at The Ojai Valley Inn and Spa, and a stay at the Resort at Pelican Hill, which raised over \$65,000, it was party time... And party we did as honoree Glenn Frey and Joe Walsh performed many of the songs that made The Eagles famous... Multi-talented entertainer George Lopez was the terrific host for the evening which ended on a sweet note as we received fresh cupcakes from Susie Cakes.

Congrats to dinner chairs Shelli and Irving Azoff, and Janice and Dr. Daniel Wallace; gala committee Debbie and Roger Cowan, Dorothy Ellis, Kathy and Tim Gallagher, Eve and Bill Gerber, Maxine and Eric Greenspan, Michelle and Allan Kaye, and Adam Selkowitz. Also to Executive Director Linda David, who welcomed us at the beginning of the evening and told us about the many discoveries being made in the fight against lupus.

Among the many guests... Snoop Dog and wife Shante Broadus Howie, Scott Grimes, Wayne Newton, Rita Wilson, Marianne and Martin Berman, Claudia and Bruce Resnikoff, Rosa Kunin, Janet Warner, Rabbi Geller, Barbara Golden, Bill Levin, Linda Breakman, Joan Kapo, Howard Williams, Lori Schulman, Miranda Lau, and the wonderful people from Mercedes Benz, that I sat with.

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**ORANGE BALL—** Lupus L.A.'s 10th Orange Ball at The Beverly Wilshire found Executive Director Linda David (left) welcoming guests who included actor Scott Grimes and actress Parminder Nagra (couple on right). *Photos by WireImage*