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The Latest Star Sightings

Melissa Joan Hart makes a bet at the Get Lucky For Lupus charity event at the Andaz West Hollywood in LA on February 25, 2010





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<http://www.eyeonweho.com/poker.html>

***A Great Time Is In The Cards:
'Get Lucky for Lupus' Celebrity Poker Tournament***
*West Hollywood, California
February 2010*



Celebrities and entertainment industry VIPs are arriving at the trendy Andaz Hotel in West Hollywood to 'Get Lucky for Lupus', a poker tournament and party benefiting Lupus LA. Designed to raise money and increase lupus awareness, this event promises to be an evening of tasty food, adult beverages and, of course, some serious poker.



Corey Feldman



Melissa Joan Hart

Red carpet arrivals in the hotel lobby have produced such familiar faces as actors Lou Diamond Phillips and Melissa Joan Hart, actor/comedian Marlon Wayans, and Sanjaya Malakar of American Idol fame. Hunky, handsome Jesse Metcalfe is here and, if you're a fan of Heroes, you'll recognize James Kyson Lee who plays 'Ando Masahashi' on the hit series.



Shante "Boss Lady" Broadus, Wife of Snoop Dogg



James Kyson Lee



Jayde Nicole, Playboy Playmate of the Year 2008



Marlon Wayans

Following arrivals, it's off to the panoramic banquet hall on the top floor of the hotel, already buzzing with activity. Celebrities are mingling with event guests and positioning themselves at the poker tables where the real action will take place. Not all the celebrities are here to play, however. Watching from the sidelines are Shante Broadus (wife of Snoop Dogg) and Jerry 'The Beaver' Mathers from the classic TV sitcom Leave It To Beaver. Mathers tells me he's more of a watcher than a player when it comes to poker.



Jerry Mathers



James Kyson Lee and Alan Ritchson



Lou Diamond Phillips



Jesse Metcalfe

In addition to tonight's poker fest, there is a silent and live auction featuring some truly unique items. As I scan the room, I see guitars, priceless photos, and valuable sports memorabilia. Guests have an opportunity to get a great deal while, at the same time, helping to support a worthwhile cause. Judging from the enthusiastic bidding, this auction will be a win-win situation!



Unique Silent Auction Items Attract Attention



Sweet tooth? A colorful dessert station awaits!

While this event definitely provides an evening of star-studded fun, we must remember why we are here. Lupus is one of our country's most prevalent medical problems and it is on the rise. This well-organized bash will undoubtedly heighten awareness of the disease in an entertaining and memorable way.

For additional information and to donate: <http://www.lupusla.org>



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http://www.nbclosangeles.com/around-town/events/ Lucky_for_Lupus_Los_Angeles.html



"Lucky for Lupus"

Young Hollywood deals up a profitable and fun event to raise money and awareness for Lupus. Scott Grimes, former ER actor, stopped by NewsRaw to talk about the event.



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<http://ontheredcarpet.typepad.com/ontheredcarpet/2010/02/stars-get-lucky-for-lupus-in-poker-tournament.html>

Stars get 'Lucky for Lupus' in poker tournament



Celebrities donned their poker faces on Thursday night at a tournament to raise funds for Lupus patients, adding it was important to use their star status to support those in need.

"One of the things we can do with our notoriety and you know, the fame that we have acquired through our talent is that people tend to listen a little bit more if they recognize your face and they respect you," actress Melissa Joan Hart told On The Red Carpet's Rachel Smith.

"So the one thing we can do is bring a little bit of attention to these causes that are dear to our hearts and Lupus is very dear to mine because I know so many people who have been affected by it," Hart said at the first "Lucky For Lupus" celebrity poker charity event.

Funnyman Marlon Wayans, clad in wide sunglasses that he called his "gangsta look", said he tried to support as many charities as possible.

"Any kind of awareness we can give to these kind of charities, I think it's a nice thing to do. It's good to be good," he said, taking off his sunglasses. "Nothing wrong with it. So I try to do as many as I can. Plus, I love playing poker."