## Press Release



## SHIELD OF ATHENA FAMILY SERVICES 2011-2012 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN LAUNCH

June 3, 2011- Chris Ann Nakis, owner of Baton Rouge de la Montagne welcomed nearly 170 guests Wednesday night for the Shield of Athena's 2011-2012 Membership Campaign Launch. Nearly \$20 000 was raised for the organization's multilingual support, prevention and intervention services to victims of family violence.

Guests enjoyed fabulous cocktails, a delectable dinner and a comedy show courtesy of special guest star Franco Taddeo, the star of three national tours. "The Shield's multilingual services are a wonderful representation of how our unique Canadian society not only tolerates cultural differences but encourages them." said Franco who recently performed on an 18 city cross country tour.

Chairperson of this year's event, **Sophie Grégoire Trudeau** was moved by everyone's support. Emphasizing that "we should be the family and support system of those whose families are shattered because anyone one of us can be them" she expressed her admiration for the Shield of Athena's work over the past 20 years.

Attendees won several prizes, including Montreal Impact tickets, a beautiful painting, certificates to the Spa Scandinave and last but not least......2 tickets to anywhere in North America courtesy of Air Canada, Kids' Horizon.

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