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Laguna will have a permanent Police Officers Memorial

All tickets were sold for the Laguna Beach Police Officers Memorial fundraiser at Mare Culinary Lounge Monday night and well over the needed \$40,000 has been raised. A permanent memorial will be installed next to the police station honoring Jon Couthie and Gordon French who lost their lives in the line of duty.



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In addition to the \$75 per ticket, supporters also took part in a silent auction and Mare Culinary Lounge owner Chef Alessandro Pirozzi provided his restaurant and food for the event.

Laguna Beach Police Employees President Larry Bammer spearheaded the effort. "To raise the funds we partnered with the Laguna Beach Community Foundation, a 501(c)(3), to receive donations. The Laguna Beach Police Officer Memorial Artwork Advisory Committee includes City Treasurer Laura Parisi Laguna Beach resident and Rotarian, LBPD Lieutenant, and Jon's close friend, Jeff Calvert and myself."



Chef Alessandro Pirozzi, Larry Bammer, and Luciana Couthie at Monday's fundraiser

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