



Charity event attracts many in support of children

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CLINTON — Like many of the 400 people gathered recently for the Condor Capital Charity Open, Mark Drabich, owner of Metropolitan Seafood Company in Clinton, was thankful for the opportunity to support the valuable work of the Justin Gimelstob Children's Fund and the Valerie Fund.

"We spent two days preparing the food we donated for the tennis tournament's receptions," Drabich said. "It was worth every minute because it was for a good cause and after 22 years in business, nothing is more important to me than supporting our community."

The Dec. 1 fundraiser at Courtside Racquet Club was highlighted by a doubles match between Bob and Mike Bryan, the top ranked men's doubles team in the world, and Gimelstob, the former pro player and current Tennis Channel commentator, and the world's No. 36 doubles player, Eric Butorac. The Bryans won the exhibition 6-3, 7-6 (5).

"We could not possibly have asked for a better response from the community for our inaugural charity tennis event," said Ken Schapiro, founder and president of Condor Capital, a Martinsville investment firm, and the Managing Partner of Courtside. "Everyone from tremendous sponsors like Metropolitan Seafood to people who bought tickets, really stepped up to the plate to support a good cause. We look forward to having an even more successful event next year."

Title sponsors for the event included AAA Worldwide Transportation, Charles Schwab & Co., Flemington BMW, Metropolitan Seafood Company and Peapack-Gladstone Bank.