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What a swellagent, elegant evening

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By Virginia Treherne-Thomas

Business-as-usual Brian O'Neill, owner of the ritzy and private Carnegie Abbey Club, was off and running at Marble House Saturday night hosting a bash in honor of his latest Leadership guest (last year it was past presidents, this year it's royalty!) Prince Albert of Monaco.

Prince Albert II, head of the House of Grimaldi and current ruler of the Principality of Monaco, is the only son of the former Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier III. He became reigning Prince on Prince Rainier's death in 2005.

Prince Albert and Mr. O'Neill, along with Carnegie Abbey members — invitation only — celebrated the 50th anniversary of the film "High Society," the last feature film starring his mother, Grace Kelly.

Members dined and danced to Peter Duchin's band and contributed to The Princess Grace Foundation USA which offers scholarships, apprenticeships and fellowships in the fields of theater, playwriting, dance, choreography and film.

The Carnegie Abbey Club World Leadership Guest series is a schedule of events featuring global leaders who are invited to discuss topics of international interest and attend special events with Club members. "We are thrilled to have had Prince Albert with us this year," Mr. O'Neill said. "As the scion of Monaco's Royal family, he has a unique view of the world that our members are eager to experience."



Brian O'Neill and Prince Albert



Joe Paolino x 2 (Father and son)



Peter Duchin and Celeste Holm



Mrs. Brian O'Neill and Judy Cutler



Nancy Cushing and friend