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'MOONLIGHT *Magic* in the GARDENS' seats "*disappearing*" as 20th signature garden party delivers refreshing variety of entertainment!

CORPUS CHRISTI—South Texas Botanical Gardens has "conjured up" exciting entertainment, dining, drinks and auction action for its 20th signature garden party fundraiser; as '**MOONLIGHT *MAGIC* in the GARDENS**,' 6-9:30 pm, Friday, October 9, closes in on its admissions goal of $220,000!

Presented for the 12th year by **CITGO Corpus Christi Refinery**. Supporting Sponsors are **Joyce Barnette**, **Amanda** & **Ken Kellar, Dobson Family-Puente de Maravillas Foundation** and **Port of Corpus Christi.** Featured performers are "**Diamond's Edge Band**," a popular six-member South Texas 1970s/80s pop and rock group; and "**James Arthur, The Mentalist**" who delights crowds with his mesmerizing magic!

"DIAMOND'S EDGE BAND," a high-energy pop/rock group performing in South Texas 1983-95, opened for *The Romantics*, *Foghat*, *Pat Travers*, *The Bus Boys*, *The Fixx*, and *Fabulous Thunderbirds*! Reuniting with a majority of original members, Diamond's Edge brings back **hot & heavy 70s & 80s hits**. Their music, with **sound and light show**, gets you onto the dance floor—a **full pop/rock concert experience!**



BEVERAGE SERVICE 6 pm

BOTANICAL CRAFT BEER
WINES
SIGNATURE "POTION"
Non-Alcoholic Beverages

SOUVENIRS

Mini Moonlight Flashlights
20th Anniversary Wine Glasses
Photo Memories Emailed
Theme Centerpieces for purchase

ENTERTAINMENT 6 pm

DIAMOND'S EDGE BAND
Butterfly Release (6-7:15)
Garden Strolls
Silent Auction
Potion (Wine) Pull
Floral Photo Op
Raffle
Animal Ambassadors
JAMES ARTHUR, The Mentalist



DINING SERVICE 7 pm

Brewster Street South
Texas Roadhouse
Hester's Café
CRB POETS
Jason's Deli
Taza Modern Mexican
Bubba's 33
Chops & Eggs

Silent Auction Highlights

Doggie Training Package • Wine-tasting Trip to Fredricksburg e• Sand-Castle Building Class for 10
Two-night stay at Cinnamon Shores--with Golf Cart, Beach Chairs • Simply Exquisite Plumeria Art Piece!
Five Day South African Deep Sea Fishing and Safari Trip—donors present at auction!







"Magical Funds" needed! *BIG BLOOM Plant Sales 2025, 2026* sacrificed supporting Water Restrictions!
$200,000 in admissions confirmed so far—**goal of $220,000!**

Sponsorships $1000-$10,000—**by Oct 1** • **Single Admissions** $150 members, $175 others—**by Oct 6.**
• **ONLINE** at https://tickets.stxbot.org/?tab=Events . https://STXBOT.ORG **361-852-2100**.
• **MOONLIGHT ADMISSION IS ALL-INCLUSIVE except** auction, raffle, wine-pull, centerpiece purchases. ###