



Stone's manager says she wasn't invited to the amfAR gala that she's electrified since the '90s.

## Rambling Reporter

By Chris Gardner

### Was Sharon Stone Uninvited From amfAR?

AmfAR champ **Sharon Stone** was absent from the 24th gala in Cannes on May 25, marking the third straight year she missed the Hotel du Cap event. Stone had been a regular since the '90s, helping the AIDS organization raise millions by hosting the live auctions. Her manager, **Chuck Binder**, told *THR* that Stone "was not invited, that's the whole story." AmfAR chair **Kenneth Cole** denied it, saying, "Sharon's got her own life, and if and when she does come, it's great," adding that she might return next year for the 25th anniversary event. "Sharon will come back someday, hopefully," said Cole. And if she'll take up hosting duties again? "God knows." — ADDITIONAL REPORTING BY RHONDA RICHFORD

## About Town

Heard Around Hollywood

### Moms Mobilize at Cannes

Several days after the Cannes festival ended, industry parents delivered a letter to director **Thierry Fremaux** to notify him of all the ways in which the event could be more accommodating to children. This year, complaints were filed over mothers being turned away from the Marche du Film for their kids not having badges as well as being forced to breastfeed outside. At press time, the letter had been signed by more than 340 people, including Amazon's **Ted Hope**, Oscar-nominated writer **Robin Swicord** (*The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*), filmmaker **Marielle Heller** (*The Diary of a Teenager Girl*) and Sundance Institute's **Liz Manashil**. (The Cannes press office, closed for vacation through June 6, could not be reached for comment.) Drafted by Agnes Films' **Alexandra Hidalgo**, Moms-in-Film founder **Mathilde Dratwa** and Directed by Women activist

**Barbara Ann O'Leary**, among others, the letter lists "easy steps for Cannes to take that can lead to more inclusivity," from letting parents know where they can and cannot bring children to providing child care, dedicated breastfeeding venues and meet-ups for parents. "Festivals are where careers are launched," she says. "If you're alienating parents at a festival, you could be hurting their career down the road."

### Homeless Beverly Hills Pool Manager Has 'Trust Issues'

The plug has been pulled from the GoFundMe campaign to lift



Petersen holds up a \$42,000-plus check.

former Beverly Hills Hotel pool manager **Svend Petersen** from homelessness. Donors such as **Sandra Bullock** and **Clive Davis** had tallied north of \$70,000 in the first month, way beyond the initial goal of \$5,900. The campaign managers — **Thomas Marinello** and **Mercedes Kennedy**, former tenants of Petersen's — increased the goal to \$100,000 but closed the account suddenly in May. Reached by email, Marinello said they stepped away due to "drama" that came from "trust" issues Petersen had regarding the money. The couple provide a detailed account of fund allocations on GoFundMe as well as a P.O. box for additional donations. Petersen, who now lives in an apartment, could not be reached as of press time.

### Tables Turned: Sigourney Gets Her Agent a Role

In **Noah Baumbach's** upcoming Netflix release *The Meyerowitz Stories (New and Selected)*, UTA partner **Jeremy Barber** enjoys a nonspeaking cameo in a MOMA scene with **Judd Hirsch** and client **Sigourney Weaver**. Playing

herself, Weaver agreed to appear in the film only if her veteran agent joined her. Barber's participation also helped out longtime client Baumbach, who had placed the rep in his 2010 release *Greenberg* as "Musso and Frank's patron"; his appearance in *Meyerowitz* — which stars **Dustin Hoffman**, **Adam Sandler**, **Ben Stiller** and **Emma Thompson** — remains uncredited. *THR*



Weaver



Levy



Theron

## Power Dining

Tallula's, a new Santa Monica restaurant from Rustic Canyon Group's **Zoe Nathan**, **Josh Loeb** and **Jeremy Fox** (Cassia, Milo and Olive, among others) already has seen **Jennifer Aniston**, **Jennifer Meyer** and **Courteney Cox** for a girls' night out dinner. **Shawn Levy** was at another table, while **Will Arnett** was table-hopping. ... **Jake Gyllenhaal** made a quick stop at Blue Bottle Coffee in Beverly Grove. ... Over at The Palm, **Richard Lovett** sat with **Jason Bateman**. Brillstein Entertainment Partners' **Cynthia Pett** and WME's **Richard Weitz** were nearby. **Charlize Theron** also was there. ... **Eric Garcetti** dined at Odys + Penelope. ... **Bob Daly** and **Terry Semel** rubbed elbows at Mr Chow. Fox Networks' **Peter Rice** dined with STX chief **Robert Simonds**. **Linda Ramone** popped by as well. ... **Judd Apatow** stopped by Pinkberry on Montana Avenue. ... **Sean Combs** dined at Ocean Prime in Beverly Hills. ... **Britney Spears** and boyfriend **Sam Asghari** spent a date night at Mastro's Ocean Club in Malibu. ... Catch LA had **Priscilla Presley**, **Mickey Rourke** and **Tom Jones** sharing a table. ... **Iggy Azalea** and New York Giants star **Odell Beckham Jr.** cozied up at Bowlero Woodland Hills. ... **Peter Dinklage** held court at Craig's.

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### Felix

**The Quick Pitch** **Evan Funke**, who polished his name with Culver City's Bucato, has taken over Joe's in Venice. The handmade pastas are the kitchen's focus, drawing a fizzy crowd with a zeal last seen when Gjelina opened up the street nearly a decade ago. The focaccia siciliana with sea salt and rosemary is a must.

**The Inside Dish** The chef's father is **Alex Funke**, the veteran Oscar-winning special effects director of photography best known for his work on *The Lord of the Rings*. **1023 Abbot Kinney Blvd.** — GARY BAUM

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