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In the Now!



Robert Koch



Leonard Simpson and David Reicks



Designer Nick Verreos with a FIDM contestant



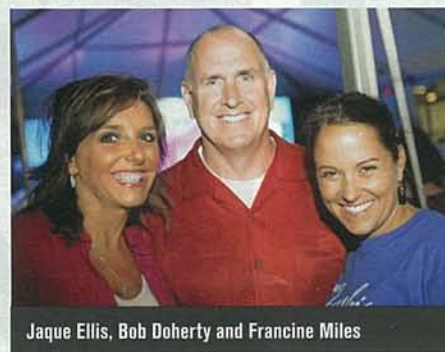
Mahjuba Levine



FIDM contestant Julia Echavarría



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Jaque Ellis, Bob Doherty and Francine Miles

FASHION FORWARD

THE PARTY Fashion Valley's annual frock-a-thon, Fashion Now, featured runway shows with looks from Nordstrom, Boss and Barneys, not to mention cocktails galore. THE PLAYERS From sartorial shot-caller Mahjuba to *Project Runway* alumni Nick Verreos, S.D.'s answer to fashion week glitterati flitted through the crowds. THE HIGHLIGHT FIDM LA's finest went chic to chic in Style Wars, a draping contest limited to pink taffeta, in honor of Breast Cancer. A floor-length stunner with a train catwalked away with the prize. —Meredith Hattam