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Town Talk

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Taste The World originals Nina Cassils and Vivian Thom greeted guests at a gala to benefit Burma/Myanmar's Angkor Hospital for Children



John Norton had Mike Wood explain how not to damage the clutch while reversing his Aston Martin Vantage cabriolet uphill.

BURMA'S BUDDIES: With Cinnamon Russell and Dianne Carruthers Wood co-chairing, the fifth-annual Taste The World gala filled the Four Seasons hotel ballroom this week. Registered nurse and clinic director Helen Catton came from Burma/Myanmar to tell attendees their donations helped admit 3,622 in-patients, 18,126 emergency cases and a total of 133,696 patients to the Angkor Hospital for Children in 2013. That's the facility that gala-founding donors John and Nina Cassils and others helped pay for a \$700,000 building and provide five-year operational funding of \$1.8 million.