## Celebrating 50

## Keowee Key members host Golden Gala to celebrate the community's

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SALEM — Keowee Key culminated months of 50th anniversary events with a Golden Gala on Friday, Sept. 23, at the Club. Some 205 members were in attendance. Special guests included South Carolina State Senate President Thomas Alexander and State House Reps. Bill Whitmire and Bill Taylor. They presented special proclamations to Keowee Key for its 50-year anniversary. Members entered on the red carpet and took glamourous photos against a 50th logo backdrop. Each entrant received a flute of golden champagne and walked down a golden memory lane with 50th memorabilia. They arrived at the beautifully decorated Vista ballroom and Overlook room to see ceiling drapes and chandeliers.

The food was first class, plentiful and displayed beautifully on the outside decks, paired with the fantastic weather. Following dessert at the flambé stations, the band, Funk Factory Five, filled the dance floor with fantastic tunes. In the Cascades room, DJ Benny attracted an enthusiastic karaoke crowd and performed '70s hits. When departing the Club, each member household was handed a 50th anniversary commemorative magazine.



bove: Keowee Key members sang karaoke at the community's 50th anniversay party in Friday in Salem. Right: Keowee Key members eat their food during the community's iolden Gala on Friday inside the Vista ballroom. The gala included a large buffet comlete with first-class food and a flambé station for dessert.



Left: South Carolina State Senate President Thomas Alexander, left, and State House Reps. Bill Whitmire, center, and Bill Taylor were guests at Keowee Key's Golden Gala on Friday in Salem. Keowee Key members celebrated the community's 50th anniversary. Below: Funk Factory Five performed at the gala in Salem.



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Margaret and Dave Eldridge grab food from the buffet at Keowee Key's Golden Gala on Friday in Sa