

‘The best party ever’ – the wedding reception for MaryStuart Day and Andre Vidrine

The Blues Brothers, zydeco music, costumed stilt walkers, laser lights and jambalaya ... the Mardi Gras-themed celebration for **MaryStuart Day** and **Andre Vidrine** was not your everyday wedding reception. Held at Cranes Roost Park at Uptown Altamonte, the event also featured a performance by **Al Morse** of the Coasters. “This is going to be the best party ever. It is exactly what we envisioned,” said the bride, a Realtor with Fannie Hillman & Associates of Winter Park. The new groom is a civil engineer for Toll Brothers in Orlando.

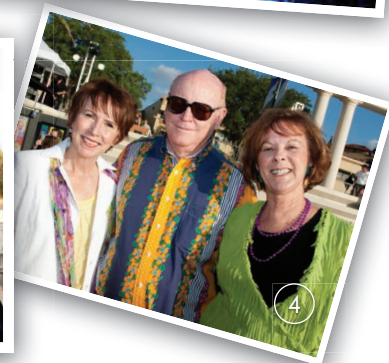
Joining the couple were Day’s mother and stepfather, **Mary** and **Gene Langley**, her father, **David**, and his wife, **Dewease**, cousin **Katherine Skinner** and the bride’s sister **Amanda Day**, who read an amusing poem about the two sisters’ experiences growing up together. Attending from the groom’s side was Andre’s father, **Joe**, aunt and uncle **Gail** and **George Vidrine**, aunt **Joy Vidrine** and family friend **Lou Sanchez** ... all in town from Louisiana. Joy welcomed and addressed the crowd of about 300 in Cajun French, keeping with the New Orleans theme, which included Cajun cuisine, a live bronze statue and artists creating caricatures and colorful canvases on site. Also attending the reception ... **Becky Furman, Ryan David, Ellen Titen, Fannie Hillman, Mathew Knight, Eddie Wojcik, Mike and TL Burch, Debra Hendrickson, Robert Linder and Mo Hall Dearden.**



Al Morse leads the parade.



Pictured (l-r) 1. The happy couple
2. The bride on stage with the Blues
Brothers 3. Gene Langley, Rev. Jim Spencer
4. Lynn High, Bill Winderweedle, Mary Clerk





Street entertainers and Blues Brothers provided fun and music.



Pictured (l-r) 1. Edith Fawsett, Lynn McKinney, Gayla Greenwald
2. Marlin Jones, MaryStuart Day, Fain Davis 3. Mary Langley, Joy Vidrine 4. Bob Cairns, Andre Vidrine and MaryStuart Day, Fannie Hillman

The evening would not have been complete without a dance line ... leading the pack was "Elwood Blues" followed by the newlyweds. "I am so excited. Three hundred of my closest friends and family are here," Day said.

Earlier in the day, in the presence of 10 family members and close friends, the couple said their vows lakeside in the Albin Polasek Museum & Sculpture Gardens. The bride's dress held a special story ... it was made from her mother's wedding dress and designed by the bride herself. Wedding planner Jamie O'Donnell commented on the intimate ceremony: "It was so small it was sweet. It was the true epitome of what a wedding ceremony should be." — *Linda Sherdel*

