Written by Written by Kathy Shayna Shocket
Friday, 11 January 2013 19:05 - Last Updated Sunday, 12 May 2013 09:00

Kathy Shayna Shocket has the inside scoop on the Valley's social scene and Celebrties.



## Kathy's scoop on the nuptials and the lucky lady.

One of the most eligible bachelors in the country, **Craig Jackson**, the CEO and Chairman of Barrett-Jackson Auction Company, is now married. In a surprise Christmas Eve ceremony at his luxurious Arizona home, Craig placed a ring on Carolyn Mullany's finger.

The diamond and sapphire family heirloom belonged to Craig's late mother's, **Nellie Jackson**, the matriarch of Barrett Jackson. Even **Virginia Liewellyn** (Barrett-Jackson's in-house counsel) who officiated the poolside ceremony, was fighting back the tears.

Amidst the beautiful sunset and lots of tears of joy, the glowing bride and groom were surrounded by Craig's children, **Shelby Jackson**,19, and **Hunter Jackson**, 13. "We wanted to keep the wedding small and private and have the children be a big part of it," said the new couple.



(Craig and Carolyn at a recent Barrett -Jackson opening private party.)

The intimate guest list included **Perry Dodd**, Craig's best man, **Michael Badagliacca**; Carolyn's sister and her matron of honor, **Maryanne Badagliacca**; and Carolyn's parent's **Tom** and **Mary Mullany** who will soon celebrate 50 years of marriage!

The bride and groom were deeply touched and honored to have **Steve Davis**, President of Barrett-Jackson, and his beautiful wife of 41 years – **Janie Davis** serve as witnesses to their marriage.

Craig and Carolyn first met when she was selling the Las Vegas estate of entertainer **Danny Gans**. She "coupled" with Craig and Barrett-Jackson to consign Gans' car collection, which successfully fetched \$500,000 at the Barrett-Jackson 2010 auction in Las Vegas.



(Craig and Carolyn at a recent Barrett -Jackson event)

The honeymoon? It will take a temporary "back seat" to their busy business schedule this month. The couple then plans to take an extended honeymoon. Craig's in the "driver seat" of the Barrett-Jackson collector car auction and automotive lifestyle event, now in four different cities. And Carolyn, a luxury home specialist started the year off by closing on yet another multi-million dollar celebrity estate in Las Vegas.

My heartfelt CONGRATULATIONS to the newlyweds. They are both wonderful driving forces in the community!



Kathy Shayna Shocket is a freelance Reporter, Photographer and TV-Field Producer based in Phoenix. She is also a former TV Reporterr who has written for publications such as Time Magazine, People Magazine, Money Magazine, the New York Times and the Hollywood Reporter. She can be reached at redkarpetgirl@aol.com