



Gifts For Growth Auction Newsletter

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MAGNUSON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Let the Planning Begin.....

Volunteer Highlight

Many committees will be meeting after the holidays, so if you have not been contacted by your committee chair you will be soon! Please contact your committee chair directly with questions. If you do not know who that is Debbie Menzies can let you know. Thank you again to all those who have volunteered. There are still opportunities available for those who would like to volunteer

Hello MCS Families!

Welcome to the first newsletter for the Gifts for Growth Gala. For those of you who are new this year my name is Debbie Menzies and I am the Event Chair for our main annual fundraiser of the year. I have a son in Second Grade and have been with the school for 3 years now. (By the way I am from England so if there is some "funny" spelling or phrases you see that's why!!)

The Gifts for Growth Gala is our biggest source of fundraising for MCS. The format of the evening consists of dinner, silent and live auction and a chance for parents to socialize with each other and have a great evening out. We encourage families to invite their friends and family and anyone else who may be interested in supporting the school. We welcome any contacts you may have to invite.

In the past we have sold tickets and tables to families to cover costs of their meals, however, this year we are trying something different and are working on getting sponsorships to offset the costs of the entire event which will allow us to offer tickets and tables to families at a much reduced rate. If you know of anyone who would like to sponsor the event then please let me know as soon as possible.

I would like to thank you all for the wonderful response that we had from MCS families who signed up for at least one task to help with the planning of this event. We have a remarkable 96% of the families participating which in the three years I have been doing this is absolutely phenomenal!! You have or will all be contacted in the near future regarding the tasks you signed up for and if you haven't heard from your Committee

Chair then please give them a jingle I am sure this is just an oversight.

We have started the planning process and have all the Committee Chairs in place. There has been a lot of behind the scenes work going on at the moment but after the Christmas break there will be a lot more going on in the classrooms.

Each month you will be seeing this newsletter come out with updates on the progress and any requests from the Committees for additional help they may need.

We are looking forward to a great Event this year and with the generous willingness of all of you this year I am sure it will be a huge success.

Thank you again for your support.

Debbie Menzies

Event Chair

Committee Chairs

Gary Tangwall & Jeff Montgomery-Sponsorship Committee
Dan Amesbury & Katie Van Oort-Bissell-Auction Committee
Nancy Anderson & Joni Johnson-Silent Auction Sub-Committee
Mary-Nell Clemens & Jan Good-Live Auction Sub-Committee
Kathleen Kraemer-Data Entry Sub-Committee
Kris Anderson & Kelly Krekelberg-PJ Party Committee

Laura Anderson/Kelly Monson/Suzanne Montgomery/Tammy Cortes-Marketing/Communications Committee
Debbie Menzies-Event Operations Committee
Deb Petronack-Class Baskets Committee
Tiff Petronack-Children's Projects Committee
Bobbi Hanson & Julie Ledvina-Liquor & Wine Wall Committee
Jonathan Behnken-Set Up/Tear Down Committee

Sponsorship Committee

We are on our way to our goal of \$10,000 in auction sponsorships! We have our first sponsor Gary Tangwall with a \$1,000 commitment to the auction! A heartfelt thanks goes out to Gary and his family! Your commitment to the Growth of Magnuson Christian School is amazing! The committee is planning to meet after the holidays but if you know of anyone or any business that would be willing to sponsor this awesome event please contact Jeff Montgomery or Gary Tangwall. Many of the vendors that the church and school use have been contacted as potential sponsors.

Children's Projects Committee

As of now, we have Bobbi Hansen (sp), Wyatt's mom and Louanne Hansen working on two special surprise art projects for 1st grade and 3rd grade. We have some great art ideas for the rest of the grades and will be starting those in January. If you are interested in helping with the auction art projects, please contact Tiffany Petronack at 651.247.3219

Silent & Live auction

We are now accepting donations for the silent and live auction! Stay tuned for more information from your classroom advocate on the theme of your child's classroom basket to be donated for the silent auction!

Look for donation ideas in the next issue!

Sneak Peak !!!

Here is a sneak peak at one of our live auction items!!

Tickets to see U2 in concert on June 27th, 2010 at the TCF Bank Stadium!

Includes a two hour pre-concert reception with first class catered buffet and open bar (beer and wine) at the TCF Bank Stadium VIP Lounge across from the stadium open at 5pm; VIP Reserved parking pass; Access to Stadium through separate VIP entrance; Official U2 360 tour merchandise gift package, featuring a special tour VIP item not available to the general public; Eligible to enter a drawing for the chance to win an exclusive pre-show backstage tour

Stay tuned for more fun items that will be available!

Gifts for Growth

March 13th, 2010

Watch for your save the date card!

More information in next months issue!!