

*Auction 2009*  
*It's a Mystery, Get a Clue*

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Dear St. Patrick School Families:

**St. Patrick School is proud to announce our 31st annual Fundraising Auction to be held on November 14, 2009, at the Tri-Cities Prep Grant Activity Center.** Each year brings a unique and fun theme and this year we're drawing inspiration from the Clue board game. The auction is a great opportunity to celebrate our success as well as raise funds to benefit our financial assistance and scholarship programs.

This year we have over 200 students which include many new families to our St. Patrick School community. We are proud of our growth and remain dedicated to provide high quality academic instruction in a faith-centered environment. Tuition accounts for a portion of the cost to educate a student with the remainder coming from fundraising and donations. We feel no student should be denied an opportunity to attend our school due to an inability to pay tuition.

The auction is a tremendous fundraiser for our school and it takes an effort from all of our families to make it successful. **As a St. Patrick School family we ask that you help by donating an auction item *and* by contributing an item to each of your children's class baskets.** What does this mean? The attached form provides more information to help you be successful in each of these areas. The auction is a great way to meet other school families and generous donors in our community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the school office. We're all in this together and we're here to help!

Sincerely,

Sherry Armijo  
Auction Committee Co-Chair

Heidi Hinkson  
Auction Committee Co-Chair

Jennifer Peterson  
Development Director

## AUCTION PROCUREMENT ABC'S

To “procure an auction item” means to get a new item with an **approximate value of \$50.00** in one of the following ways:

**A**sk for **Something** – We visit businesses every day and spend money; often those businesses are more than willing to contribute something for loyal customers and it's a taxable donation for them. Remember, it's not personal if they turn you down.

**B**uy **Something** – If you aren't comfortable asking a business to donate something, you can purchase an item to donate.

**C**ontribute **Some Time** – Do you have a home based business, special skill or craft? Donate your skill or service as an auction item.

**D**onate – If you already feel swamped and don't think you'll have time to procure an auction item, **write a check or send cash** as your donated item. The auction committee will use it to purchase items they are lacking.

**E**xcel – Already have your item but know there is more you can do? Keep going, you don't have to stop with just one item. The more you procure, the more successful the auction is!

**F**ill out the **Auction Donation Form Completely** – The information on the Auction Donation Form is vital in so many ways. We use it to properly display our items, accurately value our items and most importantly, thank our donors. The data entry committee thanks you in advance!

**G**et it all done by the **end of October** – Do your best to bring in your donated item and class basket items by the end of October. Everything needs to be entered in our database and it makes it easier if it is done sooner, rather than later. The data entry committee thanks you in advance!

**H**elp – Ask for help! If you aren't sure how to get started or what to get, stop by the office and someone will help you. We've been around awhile and have a lot of ideas we'd love to share!

**I**dea - **Carry the Auction Donation Form with You** – Be sure to have an Auction Donation Form with you any time you pay a bill or spend money. Showing a merchant that you are a valued customer may be the deciding factor between them donating to your auction or another organization.

## CLASS BASKET THEMES AND TIPS

Each grade is assigned a Class Basket Theme. The Class Baskets are more successful when they are well coordinated. Your Room Parents will help you by offering suggestions for what to contribute and by collaborating with families to combine resources if a “big” item is needed to tie everything together.

### Childcare & Montessori – Baby

Anything for Baby – blankets, clothes, bottles, pacifiers, onesies, diapers, wipes, diaper genie, toys, diaper bag, baby furniture.

### Kindergarten – Dress Up

Dress up clothes for boys or girls. Anything they will use to be a princess or storm the castle. Costumes, hats, shoes, belts, jewelry, wands, scarves and any other accessory you can think of.

### First Grade – Camping

Camping Equipment & Necessities – Sleeping bags, tarps, cookware, lantern, bug spray, water jug, ice chest. Don't forget the Smores!

### Second Grade – Arts & Crafts

Things for the aspiring artist – easel, art paper, paint brushes, paint, crayons, markers, glitter, clay, craft kits.

### Third Grade – Gardening

Items for those that like to toil in the soil – wheelbarrow, gloves, rake, shovel, watering can, knee pads, bulbs or seeds, potting soil, books on gardening.

### Fourth Grade – Pamper MOM

It's Mom's turn for some TLC – Candles, wine, lotion, bubble bath, slippers, tea, a comfy robe, spa music, a good book or magazine, a good “Chick Flick” (movie), gift certificates for pampering such as manicure, pedicure, massage.

### Fifth Grade – Family Night

Spend an exciting evening with family or friends playing games or watching movies. Don't forget the snacks!

### Middle School – Christmas

Everything to trim a tree or decorate the home – Yard decorations, an artificial Christmas tree, ornaments, lights, Christmas books, classic Christmas movies, a wreath, wrapping paper, bows, tissue. The possibilities are out of sight!

**Fill out a Class Basket Donation form for your class basket item** – This is something new this year. It will help us to account for your contribution and place a value on the class baskets if we have a procurement slip.

**Talk to your Room Parents** – If you don't know what to get, or keep running out of time to get something, talk to one of your room parents. They can suggest something for you to bring or take your cash contribution and pick something up to that matches the theme.

## ROOM PARENTS

Room parents are assigned in each classroom to help the teachers coordinate different things throughout the year. The Class Auction Basket is one of them!

Grade	Parent names & contacts
Kindergarten Miss Chesterfield	Jennifer Comfort – 308-1431 or <a href="mailto:comfortjennifer@gmail.com">comfortjennifer@gmail.com</a>
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First Grade	Tawnya Oldham – 531-7731 or <a href="mailto:jtoldham@msn.com">jtoldham@msn.com</a> Blanca Pinon – 460-3384 Angie Boothe – 545-5712 or <a href="mailto:aboothe@dioceseofspokane.org">aboothe@dioceseofspokane.org</a>
Second Grade	Lori Mendez – 528-1644 or <a href="mailto:jazest6@msn.com">jazest6@msn.com</a> Yvonne Garcia – 845-5000
Third Grade	Angie Flowers – 546-9073 or <a href="mailto:baikalpaul@aol.com">baikalpaul@aol.com</a>
Fourth Grade	Amy Almarez – 545-1792 or <a href="mailto:rubenandamy7@hotmail.com">rubenandamy7@hotmail.com</a>
Fifth Grade	Tiffany Nunez – 845-0657 or <a href="mailto:tnunez@dioceseofspokane.org">tnunez@dioceseofspokane.org</a> Martha Toledo – 542-8485
Sixth Grade	Diann Lovejoy – 297-4282 or <a href="mailto:diann@lovejoyfarms.com">diann@lovejoyfarms.com</a>
Seventh Grade	To Be Determined
Eighth Grade	To Be Determined

**Auction Class Basket Coordinator** – Angie Boothe is on the auction committee and is assigned to ensure the success of the class baskets. Room parents should contact Angie if they have any questions or need assistance.

**Angie Boothe, 545-5712 or [aboothe@dioceseofspokane.org](mailto:aboothe@dioceseofspokane.org)**