



Annual Auction Dinner at Norfield Church

Saturday March 06, 2010

All proceeds raised will be distributed to the
2010 Fair Beneficiaries who will be announced that evening!

Outreach Mission

Our goals are to educate, inspire and engage Norfielders in Outreach activity. Our efforts will be focused on promoting an interactive outreach program that engages members of the Norfield community at multiple levels that may include active and direct participation as well as financial support.

6:30 pm beverages and hors d'oeuvres

7:30 Dinner

8:30 pm silent auction and raffle closes

9:00 pm Live Auction

Interested bidders who are not able to attend the Saturday event may choose an attending representative to submit a bid or to distribute their labeled raffle tickets.

Live Auction

1. Dessert: You may have enjoyed the world's best brownies but you can NEVER have too much dessert. Buy a slice of cake for your table and be contributing to good causes.

Donated by: Karen Bennewitz

Suggested value: Priceless

2. Julie and Julia Dinner: Dinner for ten hosted at the Gary home, lovingly and skillfully prepared by the Wilson's and the Gary's. The dinner will feature dishes prepared and featured in and inspired by the recent movie "Julie and Julia." Julia Child's recipes will come to life including cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, appetizer, entree, salad and desert, all accompanied with appropriate wine. You'll think you were in France!

Donated by: Phyllis and Don Gary, Bernard and Nereida Wilson

Suggested value: \$1000

3. Hotel in Paris: Just picture yourself and a loved one in Europe's most romantic city - Paris, the City of Lights! Then picture yourself settled into a spacious (Paris is not known for its large hotel rooms!) and beautifully decorated room at the **Hotel de Crillon**, an intimate yet elegant 18th c. palace and one of only six 5* Luxury Palace Hotels in Paris. Located right smack dab in the heart of the city, overlooking Place de la Concorde, you will be able to walk to many of the city's most famous sites and attractions. Dine to your heart's content at the hotel's 2* Michelin restaurant or discover one of the city's many small cafes and brasseries. Ahhhh, Paris - she sparkles, she shines, she's tres magnifique!

Enjoy TWO nights in a deluxe room including a lavish buffet breakfast daily, all tax and service charges. Valid for one year until March 6, 2011.

Use up those airline frequent flyer miles you've been accumulating and off you go! Must provide own transportation to the destination.

Donated by: Susan Ragland and New Canaan TravelWorld

Suggested value: \$2000

4. Back by Popular Demand! Surf and Turf at Compo Beach: Enjoy an all inclusive candlelit table dining experience, for eight, at Compo Beach with all the fixings'...appetizers, lobster tails, steak, beverages, dessert and a very entertaining staff! All you need is to BYOC....bring your own chair and a moonlit night during June.

Donated by: Quist, Schreder and Hastings family, Claudia Mengel and Pam La Fontaine

Suggested value: \$ 800

5. Dan's Italian Pizza Party for 8 adults: Dan D'Agostino will hand make his famous pizza while you watch. Dan cold-raises his own dough, rolls it and tops it with delicious ingredients! Homemade sausage (Dan's own) and banana peppers, spicy pepperoni, clam & garlic, roasted red pepper and goat cheese, buffalo mozzarella & tomato, plus more! Pizza is baked in his own pizza oven and served hot at the table. Meal includes salad, dessert & 4 bottles of wine. The pizza party is at the D'Agostino home located at 139 Steep Hill Road. Winning bidder to contact Susan Moran @ 203-227-3378 or susanmoran@mac.com.

Donated by Dan & Petra D'Agostino and John & Susan Moran.

Suggested value: \$400

6. The Big Night: A classic dinner for eight, styled from the movie: "Big Night", complete with cookbook and CD sound track. Listen to Louis Prima, and enjoy a timpano - a rustic Italian pasta dish, which was the focal point of Primo's meal in "Big Night". Italian food is all about family, love, laughter and cooking! Stanley Tucci: "..... Big Night was partly about respect for one's heritage and the pursuit of truth in one's art. To me this cookbook embodies those themes. It is a collection of recipes by people I love, who love to cook because they love their past and want to pass its truths on to the next generation...."

Come to my home, sit, and enjoy a family inspired meal based on the movie "Big Night", with fine Italian wine, food, music, laughter and love - all for a great cause: Norfield's Outreach

Donated by: Pierre Ratte 203 544 0063 or piratte@mac.com

Suggested value: \$600

7. Cocktail Cruise: Summer is just around the corner. Enjoy beverages and heavy hors d'oeuvres on board a 36 foot sloop that will accommodate you and three of your friends for an afternoon cruise on Long Island Sound with Captain Martha Diamant and First Mate Woody Bliss at the helm. Winning bid should contact Woody at 203-226-4859

Donated by: Martha Diamant and Woody Bliss

Suggested value: \$600



8. Oktoberfest for 6 - 8: We will plan, prepare and serve you in our home. Enjoy a delicious meal where wonderful beers will be the centerpiece of the menu, from the homemade sausage appetizer to the awesome chocolate porter cake for dessert. Beer and wine for your enjoyment will also be provided.

Donated by: Bayard and PJ Dodge

Suggested value: \$400

9. Seating and Parking for CEO: Relax at home knowing you have a reserved parking and seating at Norfield's popular Christmas Eve and Easter service only.

Donated by: Norfield

Suggested value: \$Priceless

Silent Auction

Bids close at 8:30 pm

Send a representative to do your bidding if you can't be there in person!

Entertainment

James Taylor and Carol King: 2 tickets for **SOLD OUT** "Troubadour Reunion Tour" performance at Madison Square Gardens in NYC. Tuesday, June 15 at 8 p.m. Seats are Section 419, Row F Seat 15 and 16

Donated by: Peter and Jean Anne Barnes

Value: \$200

Starting Bid: \$100

Increments: \$10

Golfing Date: Enjoy a day of golf at one of Connecticut's most beautiful and exclusive clubs, The Country Club of Fairfield. Dan will be happy to take you and two of your male friends, or if couple's golf is your preference join Karen and Dan. Your day will also include lunch with a breathtaking view of Long Island Sound.

Donated by: Dan and Karen Bennewitz

Value: \$500

Starting Bid: \$ 250

Increments: \$ 25

Singing Appearance: Jennifer Barron, with her lovely soprano and operatic voice will be available to sing at your special event

Donated by: Jennifer Barron

Value: \$150

Starting Bid: \$80

Increments: \$10

Gastronomical

Norfield's Own: a plate of the World's Best Brownies – As judged by our esteemed panel of judges, their sophisticated taste buds have selected this selection as the winner of today's contest.

Donated by: to be announced

Value: \$Priceless

Starting Bid: \$40

Increments: \$10

A Month of Pies: Imagine! A home baked pie baked by our very own Jim Miller and delivered to your home weekly. Choose from this delicious selection and the pie size will be adjusted to your family size. Apple, French Apple, Pecan, Kentucky Derby, Buttermilk Contact: Jim Miller 203 938 9185

Donated by: Jim Miller

Value: \$100

Starting Bid: \$50

Increments: \$10

Leave it to Lois: Relax and focus on the main and side dishes and table setting for your dinner party. Choose two to three hors d'oeuvres and one dessert from her menu and Lois will prepare enough for a group of 8 – 10 and will deliver the prepared items to your home. All you need to do is reheat if appropriate and display on your own dishes. 203 261 1087 or labechtel@charter.net

Donated by: Lois Bechtel

Value: \$100

Starting Bid: \$50

Increments: \$10

Appetizers:

Artichoke Nibbles (can be served room temp. or reheat in microwave to be warm) either way is good

Korean Meatballs with Sauce

Bowl of Marinated Vegetables (includes tomato, broccoli, carrots, cucumber, mushrooms, celery, zucchini, black & ripe olives)

Avocado dip with Doritos

Marinated Mushrooms and Cherry Tomatoes

Cheese, Tomato, & Shrimp appetizer spreadable on Triscuits.

Olive and Pecan cheese spread on variety of crackers

Hot Antipasto (baked in crust, cut into small squares) Will be prepared but have to be baked when ready to use at 375 degrees for 45 min.

Dessert:

Chocolate Praline cake served with a scoop of ice cream

Kaluaha Cake, which is a freezer cake with kaluaha, cool whip and toasted almonds on top

Tiramisu Toffee Dessert

A Rum Cake

Chocolate Fudge Pie with nuts served with a scoop of vanilla ice cream

Chocolate Delight Dessert (Served in Truffle Bowl. Consists of chocolate brownies cut in cubes, chocolate pudding, cool whip, strawberries and banana layered in the bowl, scoop out by spoonfuls into a plate or bowl.

For your sweet tooth: A year's supply. That's 12 bags! Enjoy a bag of home made English Toffee from K's Konfections prepared not just once but by the time you have finished the first bag, the next month rolls around and voila.... another bag to enjoy and share with family and friends. Contact Karen at 203 227 0054

Donated by: Karen Bennewitz

Value: \$ 144

Starting Bid: \$70

Increments: \$10

Services

Dog Training: Our very own Joan Henderson, an experienced dog trainer will come to your home for 4 one-hour visits of dog training and a 5th follow up if desired. The training will include an overall assessment of the dog's behavior as it relates to family, friends strangers and other dogs. The goals we aim to accomplish together are to train the dog using behavioral modification and a minimum of voice commands. This type of training applies to dogs over 6 months of age. Puppy training varies slightly to dogs. Contact Joan Henderson 203 226 8103

Donated by: Joan Henderson

Value: \$200

Starting Bid: \$100

Increments: \$10

Heros Helping Hands: A group of 4 HEROS students will arrive on your doorstep to provide mornings worth (3 hours) of landscaping labor. Utilizing your equipment these ambitious students will happily rake your lawn, pick up twigs, cart brush, wash cars, pick weeds or perform outdoor spring-cleaning tasks of your request. Executive director, Franck Adjisegbe will be on hand to assist. Dates and tasks to be agreed upon. These students are high school students who make a positive impact in their communities. Contact: Franck Adjisegbe 203 526 1076 or herosoverseas@gmail.com

Donated by: Heros Students

Value: \$150

Starting Bid: \$80

Increments: \$10

Time to Organize? Use 2 hours with Professional Organizer, Randi Hutton, to kick-start an area of your life that might need some organizing! Home - Office - Moving, You decide!

Donated by: Donated by: Randi Hutton, Professional Organizer, the RZ connection, randi@therzconnection.com - www.therzconnection.com

Value: \$200

Starting Bid: \$100

Increments: \$10

Specialty

Stone Sculpture: hand crafted orange Italian alabaster, completely hand-carved and mounted on a stainless steel post on a handmade oval wooden base.

Donated by: Ginny Awn

Value: \$1000 Starting Bid: \$ Increments: \$

St. Nicholas: Collectible Christmas Santa's for your home, from Clothique by Possible Dreams. Each Santa is 10" tall. They retail for \$65-85 each.

Donated by: Charlene Blount

Value: \$300 Starting Bid: \$150 Increments: \$10

Southern Living Basket: Imagine yourself on the plantation with all of the accessories to make it feel real. This basket includes 2 large hurricane lamps, a Gail Pittman trivet, glass serving bowl on a pedestal, a collection of Southern Living books on wines, appetizers and holiday hors d'oeuvres and a wall hanging metal decorative container for flowers or towels.

Donated by: Shari Ouellette (Lois Bechtel's daughter)

Value: \$200 Starting Bid: \$100 Increments: \$10

Dress it up: One of a kind evening bag hand made from Japanese Washi paper (rice paper) and then lacquered designed and created by our very own Karen Bennewitz.

Donated by: Karen Bennewitz

Value: \$125 Starting Bid: \$60 Increments: \$10

Raffle

Raffle Closes at 8:30pm Saturday March 6, 2010

Ticket holders must be present to win.

\$10 each, 4 for \$30, 12 for \$50

Place one half of your ticket in the container provided in front of the item you wish to win!

Faberge Paperweight: The Faberge Coronation Paperweight is part of the Coronation accessories collection inspired by the Faberge Coronation Egg. It has a copper wheel engraved crystal insert in the Romanov Eagle design

Donated by: Deb Howard & Bill Sokolowski

Value: \$350

Champagne anyone?: Dom Perignon vintage 1998 from Champagne, France 750 ml The initial notes of fresh almond and grapefruit gradually lead into cashew nut and spices complemented by lightly toasted brioche. **The 1998 Harvest** The year featured two unusual and contrasting weather related events: Record high temperatures in August followed by exceptional rainfall in the first half of September. Patience prevailed at harvest and was rewarded by a period of miraculously good weather resulting in healthy, especially well-ripened grapes. *The Dom Pérignon Vintage 1998 has a special way of holding its final note on and on. It's as if it doesn't want to let go. It's surprising, unique and magnificent.*" Richard Geoffroy, Chef de Cave

Donated by: Carol Hamilton

Value: \$139

Handmade Jewelry: Necklace and earrings, take this 20" rose quartz, venetian glass and gold vermeil set home with you or co-ordinate your own personal color scheme with the designer and she will make a custom designed necklace and earring set of equal value. Contact Jennifer at 203 227 5264

Donated by: Jennifer Barron

Value: \$150

Let them eat cake: Having a party? Need a Birthday cake for that special family member? Pick from a list of delicious options such as Decadent chocolate on chocolate, Carrot Cake, Coconut Cake, or Chocolate Cake with Amaretto Butter cream. Provided by K's Konfections. 203 227 0054

Donated by: Karen Bennewitz

Value: \$75

Pound Cake: Home made from scratch, with all organic ingredients. When you have guests or a birthday coming up and need a homemade cake, nothing beats a rich old-fashioned Pound Cake. Will be baked fresh and delivered (Weston vicinity). Please allow a week's notice. Available: March 15 till November 15, 2010.

Donated by: Charlene Blount 203 454 4426

Value: \$40

Mouth watering candy: An assortment of home made chocolate candy... a mélange of pecans, raisins, and chocolate and chocolate and white bark with slivered almonds and cranberries provided in a decorative candy dish.

Donated by: Lois Bechtel

Value: \$35

Hair Cut: Gift Certificate for services at Hair Explosion Salon in Fairfield

Donated by: Hair Explosion Salon in Fairfield

Value: \$60

Personalized Wrap for a Gift: *That's a Wrap* will create a personalized gift-wrap (bag or box), with a greeting card for a special occasion. You provide returnable photos and memorabilia to produce a collage. Please allow two-weeks notice. Available: March 30 till November 30, 2010.

Donated by: Charlene Blount

Value: \$50

Hand Knit: cream-colored scarf with alternating fun fur lovingly made by Bobbie Sassano.

Donated by: Bobbie Sassano

Value: \$50

Bracelet and zipper pull: Lovingly made by Lois Bechtel's daughter, Shari.... Murano glass beads with silver-plate spacers

Donated by: Shari Ouellette

Value: \$35

Hand Knit: Lovingly knit by our own Ellie Herman.... Use as gifts or keep them for yourself -

Donated by: Ellie Herman

Value: \$35

Necklace: African necklace made by a villager in Benin, Africa. Destination for HEROS students

Donated by: Franck Adjisegebe and the village women in Benin, Africa

Value: \$40

Photograph: African Acacia Tree... Acacia wood is said to be the wood from Noah's ark

Donated by Sandie Kinseley

Value: \$35

Quasimodo for a day: Ever wonder what it feels like to ring the church bell and call the Norfield Church community to worship on a Sunday morning? Now you can be the one to ring Norfield's historic bell. You can even choose your day, including ringing for Christmas and Easter services! Contact Pastor Diane to make arrangements 203 227 7886

Donated by: our Ministers

Value: \$Priceless