

Potomac Scholarship Auction 2019



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DEAR FRIENDS,

Welcome to The Potomac School's 2019 Scholarship Auction, '80s Rewind. This event is always a fabulous celebration. It beckons us to break away from the 9 to 5, to be footloose and show our true colors. Here with our friends and colleagues, we're lifted up where we belong as we experience that crazy little thing called love for our school. We consider the value of a Potomac education and are confident that no other school can beat it! We reflect on Potomac's traditions, and while we didn't start the fire, we know that it's up to us to keep the flame alive. In short, we are swept away by our enthusiasm for our school. What a feeling!

OK, so maybe I listened to a few too many hours of '80s music while thinking about my letter for this year's auction catalog. But the driving beat of that decade, the melodies and lyrics, remain in our minds for a reason: The '80s were a formative and deeply meaningful time for many of us.

Those were equally significant years for The Potomac School, for it was then that our board and administration grappled with a very significant question: Would the addition of a high school make sense for Potomac? While some expressed serious reservations, the school's leaders had the courage to take a calculated risk and make their vision a reality. Construction got underway by the middle of the decade and Potomac's Upper School opened in 1987. Just three years later, our first seniors graduated. Thus, decisions made and actions taken in the '80s gave rise to the K–12 educational continuum and four-division structure that characterize Potomac today. The scope of our work – and our potential to have a lasting impact – broadened considerably.

Even in the face of such significant change, Potomac's mission remained constant. Our school has always prepared young people for lives of purpose, achievement, and generosity of spirit. We take the long view of education, focusing not only on who our students are today, but also on who they will become in the future. Day by day, we help them grow intellectually, develop strength of character, and acquire valuable life skills. Potomac's faculty and staff are dedicated to this work, and generous parents, grandparents, alumni, and friends partner with us in achieving our mission.

On behalf of our students and faculty, I thank everyone who supports The Potomac School – and particularly all those involved with this auction, which raises critical funds for student scholarships and faculty professional development. Special thanks go to our 2019 auction co-chairs, Ashley Fisher, Katy Moser, and Amy Otteni, for their extraordinary dedication and leadership.

We look forward to an exciting evening, overflowing with fun and friendship. So come on, give in to that '80s beat; after all, we *can't fight this feeling!*

All my best, John Kowalik

Head of School





DEAR POTOMAC COMMUNITY,

When you think of the '80s, what images pop into your mind? From leg warmers to shoulder pads, the Walkman to the VCR, Eddie Murphy to Madonna, the '80s clearly had it goin' on!

Short of a ride in Doc Brown's DeLorean, Potomac's 2019 Scholarship Auction is our best bet for traveling back to those wild and wonderful days. Each year, the auction brings our community together to celebrate and support the school that we love, while enjoying delicious food, great music, and lots of laughter. This year's festivities promise to be more fun than ever: Who wouldn't want to relive the days when our tastes in music ran from Olivia Newton John to Boy George, from Michael Jackson to David Bowie?



But our annual auction is more than just fun – it's a party with a purpose. This event raises vital funds for student scholarships and faculty professional development. Approximately 20% of Potomac's students receive financial aid; the scholarship revenue generated through this event ensures that these qualified and deserving young people have the opportunity to benefit from a Potomac education. Funds raised through the auction also provide our school's amazing teachers with enriching opportunities for continued learning and growth, helping them stay on the cutting edge in their disciplines and in classroom theory and practice.

The auction's success is due to the generosity of the Potomac community – not just incredible financial generosity, but also the generosity of spirit that is expressed through the sharing of time and talents. Year after year, dedicated volunteers work to make this a very enjoyable and memorable evening. This year is no exception: Under the leadership of Auction Co-chairs Ashley Fisher, Katy Moser, and Amy Otteni, a dedicated group of volunteers has gone to remarkable lengths to bring this celebration to life. You will see the results of their energy, enthusiasm, and creativity in every aspect of the evening as we joyfully rewind to the '80s!

Finally, I would like to highlight one particular aspect of the auction: our Fund a Scholar initiative. The silent and live auction components of this event offer us opportunities to bid on some great items – from "Fun with Faculty" to fabulous wines, elegant dining, and exciting travel experiences. But one part of the auction gives us the unique opportunity to raise our paddles not to bid on an item or experience, but simply to show our unqualified support for Potomac's students and faculty. I hope that you will consider joining me and so many of your fellow Potomac parents, alumni, and friends as we raise our paddles to make our 2019 Fund a Scholar donations.

Get ready to be transported back in time. Our destination: the decade when MTV, Pac-Man, and the Rubik's cube were all the rage! I look forward to revisiting the '80s with you at this year's Scholarship Auction; in the immortal words of Kool & the Gang, "We're gonna celebrate and have a good time!"

All the best,

Marjorie Brennan Chair, Board of Trustees





DEAR POTOMAC FAMILIES AND FRIENDS,

We are thrilled to welcome you to this year's Scholarship Auction, **80s Rewind, What a Feeling!** The evening of March 2 will be a testament to big hair, bodacious music, laughable lingo and, most of all, our community's shared commitment to strengthen our school. When we "rewind" and think back to the reasons why we joined the Potomac community, we undoubtedly come back to the overall mission of our school and its core values. We want an environment that exudes courage, integrity, humility, perseverance and respect. The annual Scholarship Auction is a time where we collectively put these values into action.

We set an "awesome" goal this year to have 100% participation among our families, faculty and staff and the response has been overwhelming. Many members of our community have shared their time, talents and resources and our core values have truly come alive. Thank you to everyone who has given of themselves and helped to make this event a success. A special thanks to Christine Sharkey and Alexis Ellis, and the entire Advancement Office for their tireless support of the Auction and the Potomac community.

Please join us as we reaffirm our commitment to an inclusive student body led by talented and insightful faculty. Gather your fellow parents, place your bids and raise your paddle as we all work together to support the future of Potomac. What a feeling it will be! As Bill and Ted said so famously, "Be excellent to each other, and party on, dudes!"

With sincere thanks for your generosity of spirit,

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Ashley Fisher, Katy Moser and Amy Otteni Co-chairs, 2019 Scholarship Auction





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SCHEDULE OF

Our evening will begin at 6 pm with music, drinks, and hors d'oeuvres. The Silent Auction will close before dinner, and the Live Auction will take place while we enjoy our delicious three-course meal. Afterward, continue the celebration on the dance floor with our fabulous DJ.







Online Auction Opens February 20, 2019 at Noon



The Auction website allows you to 1) bid on Online Auction items, 2) bid on Silent Auction items, and 3) preview Live Auction items.

- The Online Auction begins on Wednesday, February 20, at noon and closes on Thursday, February 28, at 10 pm. Winners will be notified by email and/or text message immediately following the close of the Online Auction.
- The Silent Auction begins online on Wednesday, February 20, at noon. Bidding will continue until the start of the Live Auction, except for items that are purchased through the "Buy It Now" option.
- The Live Auction online preview begins on Wednesday, February 20. It provides the opportunity to see all of the items that will be available for bidding at the Live Auction on March 2. If you would like to place an absentee bid for a Live Auction item, email Christine Sharkey at csharkey@potomacschool. org by Thursday, February 28, at noon.



Auction Website Instructions

- If you would like to preview the items included in this year's auction, log on to Potomac's 2019 Auction website: potomacschool.ejoinme.org/auction2019.
- Click on the link on the main page for a preview. This page will become the Online Auction bidding site when the Online Auction and Silent Auction open on Wednesday, February 20, at noon.
- Potomac parents, grandparents, and friends of the school will receive an email when the Online Auction opens. This email will include instructions on how to bid, as well as a registration link. Once you click the registration link in the email, you will be able to log in with your account information from last year. If you are new to the system, you will be provided with instructions for creating your account.
- If you do not receive an email when the Online Auction opens, please visit **potomacs2019.ggo.bid**. Once on the Online Auction page, click the green "Start Bidding" button and follow the prompts to either log in with an old account or create a new account.
- Once you have an account, you will be able to bid on items. You can search for items by name or number, using the magnifying glass, or by category under the menu on the left side of the page.
- When placing a bid, you can select the next incremental amount or a larger amount. If you choose to bid more, you can choose to set your maximum bid. If you set a maximum bid, the system will automatically bid in your favor up to your maximum, until you are outbid, or until the Online Auction or Silent Auction, as applicable, closes. To keep track of bidding activity for a particular item, select the star icon. To find packages with zero bids, click the "No Bids" category on the left side of the page. You will receive an email and/or text message alerting you when you have been outbid.
- Please note the Online Auction website is optimized for use on smartphones.







ONLY AVAILABLE

Hundreds of items are available on our Online Auction pages.

A sampling of these items is below. Please visit our Online Auction website at **potomacs2019.ggo.bid** to see all the options and place your bid.

Bon Appétit

- \$100 Gift Certificate to Seasons 52
 Donated by Seasons 52
- \$50 Gift Certificate to Ambar Donated by Ambar
- \$50 Gift Certificate to The Salt Line Oyster + Ale
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 The Salt Line Oyster + Ale
- Gift Cards from Cafe Oggi, Elevation Burger, Millie's, J Gilbert's, Jetties, Fiola Mare, and many more!

Camps, Classes, and Fun

- One Week of Girls' Soccer Camp at Marymount University for 2 Donated by Gayle Wilson and Marymount University
- Three-Week Session of Panther Prowlers Camp Donated by The Potomac School
- Three-Week Session of Discovery Camp
 Donated by The Potomac School

Experiences

- Four Tickets to a Concert at Jane Franklin Dance
 Donated by Jane Franklin Dance
- Canoe Rental for a Day Trip on the Shenandoah River Donated by Shenandoah River Outfitters, Inc.
- Two Tickets for Opening Night of Junk by Ayad Akhtar at Arena Stage
 Donated by Arena Stage

Treat Yourself

- Custom Ink or Watercolor
 Drawing of Your Home
 Donated by Parinaz Bahadori
- Gift Card to Prima Hair and Day Spa
 Donated by Prima Hair and Day Spa
- Handyman for a Day Donated by Moss Building and Design
- Gift cards from Smathers and Branson, Karin's Florist, McLean Hardware, and many more!

Parties for Children and Adults

- Ice Cream Sundae Party Donated by Potomac Advancement Office
- Firehouse Tour for Eight Donated by McLean Firehouse

Sports

- Two Weeks' Unlimited Fitness Classes at Pure Barre McLean Donated by Pure Barre
- One Month Unlimited Yoga at Corepower Yoga
 Donated by Corepower
- One Month of a barre3 DC & VA Membership
 Donated by barre3 DC & VA
- 10-Point Pilates Package from Rock the Reformer
 Donated by Rock the Reformer

Exclusively Upper School

- Perfect Your Interviewing Skills
 Donated by Carson Roy, Director of Admission and Financial Aid
- CNN Shadow Day with Chris Cillizza Donated by Chris Cillizza
- Lunch Delivery for Your Upper Schooler and Nine Friends Every Wednesday in April Donated by Claudia and Steve Bernstein, Nicole and Jeff Fischer, Caroline and Justin Hunter, Cindy and Jeff Smith
- Shadow Day with Orthopaedic Surgeon Dr. Andy Wolff Donated by Dr. Andy Wolff





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ITEM 1

The MixTape Tour Concert Featuring New Kids on the Block, Salt-N-Pepa, Debbie Gibson, and More on June 25, 2019

Rewind to the 80's (and 90's) with a live show at Capital One Arena featuring the era's most iconic musicians: New Kids on the Block, Salt-N-Pepa, Naughty by Nature, Tiffany, and Debbie Gibson!

The lucky winner and 13 fellow fans will enjoy the MixTape Tour Concert on June 25, 2019 from their first level box suite. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to hang tough with the New Kids, make your dreams come true with Debbie Gibson, and hear Tiffany in concert after all this time!

Round-trip transportation provided from the winning bidder's home to Capital One Arena. Package does not include food or drinks, but in-suite refreshments may be ordered through Capital One Arena catering. Suite includes private restroom.

Donor: Anonymous Value: \$6,000







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Sun or snow? Global or domestic? Five day vacation or quick weekend trip? The world is your oyster with five Hilton "Be My Guest" certificates!

The winning bidder will receive five certificates, each of which can be redeemed for a one night stay in a standard room at any of fourteen Hilton branded hotels, including, but not limited to, Hilton Hotels and Resorts, Waldorf Astoria Hotels and Resorts, Conrad Hotels and Resorts, and Curio Collection. Certificates can be used in combination for one five-night stay in one hotel, individually for five one-night stays in five different hotels, and anything in between. Resort locations

are near and far, from Rome, Paris, and Dubai to New York, Orlando, Las Vegas, Park City, and Hawaii, to name a few. Sandy Pappas Travel, a leader in exclusive tours and experiences, will provide two hours of vacation planning and booking services.

Certificates cannot be used on New Year's Eve.

Donor: Hilton Worldwide, Sandy Pappas Travel Value: Winner's Choice!

ITEM 3

Exquisite Meal for Ten at Multiple Award Winner Restaurant Himitsu

"Himitsu" is the Japanese word for "secret," but the secret is out about this Petworth jewel and its talented chef. The lucky winner will enjoy a private dinner for 10 guests prepared at Himitsu by Kevin Tien, a 2018 James Beard Foundation Award finalist for Rising Star Chef of the Year and one of *Food and Wine's* Best New Chefs of 2018. Kevin's four course meal, with pairings, will reflect his life experience: a perfect yet unexpected combination of Japanese, Vietnamese, and Latin American influences. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to spend an evening at one of *Bon Appétit's* 50 Best New Restaurants of 2017 and one of *Washingtonian Magazine's* 100 Best Restaurants for the past three years!

Experience limited to 10 guests and available on a Sunday evening only.

Donor: Kevin Tien, Himitsu Value: \$3,000











ITEM 4

One Week at a Kiawah Island Beach House

Enjoy a week of summer fun on beautiful, scenic Kiawah Island, South Carolina!

Known for its beautiful beaches and laid-back charm, Kiawah Island features more than 20 tennis courts and five outstanding golf courses, including the world-class Ocean Course; more than 10 restaurants; and loads of outdoor activities for family fun! While on Kiawah, the lucky winner and guests will stay in a fabulous five-bedroom, four-bath home located one block from the beach and a short walk or bike ride to most of the island's main attractions. With two first-floor master bedrooms, a screened back porch overlooking a lagoon and the Turtle Point Golf Course, and a nearby neighborhood pool, this house is an ideal family vacation site.

Kiawah is a short 30-minute drive from Charleston's many attractions and airport. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses are the sole responsibility of traveler. Package limited to 10 guests and available during a mutually agreeable week in 2020, including winter break 2019–20. No smoking or pets permitted. Please contact donors by April 30, 2019, to make arrangements.



Donors: Ashley and Dan Fisher Value: \$7,500



ITEM 5

Host an Elegant Event at 2622 in Georgetown with Windows Catering and Ultra Violet Flowers

Host your next celebration, birthday party, or other gathering at the stunning event venue 2622 with catering by Windows Catering and floral designs by Ultra Violet Flowers.



Located in the heart of Georgetown, 2622 is a beautiful historic home-turned-event space that can accommodate up to 50 guests. The home's sleek, modern interior and charming patio provide the perfect locale for friends and family to gather. Ultra Violet Flowers will create elegant flower arrangements that complement 2622's decor and reflect the occasion, and Windows Catering will provide delicious food, friendly staff, and all the necessary catering equipment.

Event date is subject to 2622's and Windows Catering's availability; Windows Catering is not available in June, December, or on major holidays. 2622 will be available to the winning bidder for either an afternoon OR an evening event (the space can be available for a full-day event for an additional

charge). Windows Catering will consult with the winning bidder on menu choices and will provide up to \$2,000 in catering services; the winning bidder will be responsible for any additional charges. Package does not include alcoholic or other beverages. Check out photos of 2622 at 2622events.com.

Donors: Jessica and Ezra Glass, Julie and Andrew Gerstel, Carol and Henry Dinardo, Windows Catering Company, and Ultra Violet Flowers

Value: \$6,000





Jackson Hole One Week Ski Package



Your home for this amazing ski trip will be a condominium in Spring Creek Ranch, located on a wildlife sanctuary almost 1,000 feet above the town of Jackson, with spectacular views of the entire Teton Mountain Range. The two-story unit sleeps four to six people in two bedrooms upstairs and a queen Murphy bed and pull-out couch downstairs. The condominium has two full baths.



The package also includes dinner for four at an award-winning local restaurant, The Granary, where you can watch the sun set over the Grand Tetons through floor-to-ceiling windows. Take advantage of a variety of wonderful activities available in beautiful Jackson Hole, including skiing and snowboarding, ice skating and snow tubing, photo safaris with the Spring Creek naturalist, visiting the Elk Refuge, and a trip to the National Museum of Wildlife Art.

Offered for up to six (6) people. Expires April 1, 2020. Excludes summer 2019 (June 1 – August 31, 2019) and Christmas week 2019 (December 20, 2019 – January 5, 2020). Choose any other week during Jackson Hole's great winter skiing season (including the long weekends of Martin Luther King, Jr. and Presidents' Day in 2020 or Potomac School's Spring Break in 2020). Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses are the sole responsibility of traveler.

Donors: Michele-Anne and Mac Riley

Value: \$4,000



ITEM 7 Parking Space for a Potomac Parent

Imagine how incredible it would be to arrive on campus on the busiest days of the school year and park in your very own reserved parking space, just steps from the Lower School! Whether you're carrying a large load, running late, or trying to get great seats at an assembly, you will not regret this purchase!

Parking space will be reserved for the winning bidder from March 30, 2019 through March 13, 2020. Parking space may not be used by a Potomac student.

Donor: The Potomac School

Value: Priceless





LIVE. Auction

ITEM 8 Fund a Scholar

Our students and teachers are Potomac's most valuable assets. Help us continue to recruit and retain the best students and teachers by raising your paddle in support of our Fund a Scholar initiative.

The process is simple: During the Live Auction, you will be invited to make a donation that directly benefits students receiving financial aid and faculty/staff professional development programs. Bidding begins at the \$20,000 level, followed by \$15,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,500, \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100, and \$50.

Donor: You!



By making a 100% tax deductible gift, you will positively impact Potomac students, faculty, and staff. Below are a few examples of how your support can make a difference:

\$20,000

Approximately half of a year's tuition

\$15,000

 Represents 20% of the financial aid budget that covers all incidental costs for a Potomac School education (i.e., trips, textbooks)

\$10,000

Approximately 25% of a year's tuition

\$5,000

- Cost of sending a student to extended day, full time for a year
- Approximate cost to the school to purchase books for students receiving financial aid

\$2,500

- Cost for all bus drivers to take
 a defensive driving course
- Annual transportation cost for a neighborhood bus route

\$1,500

 Registration cost for The Teacher's College Writing Workshop, a five-day course in New York City. All Lower School and some Middle School teachers have attended this workshop.

\$1,000

 Registration cost for the National Association of Independent Schools' People of Color Conference, which is open to faculty and students

\$500

- Cost of an online course to help educators incorporate mindfulness into the classroom
- Cost to support August Academics for a student

\$250

 Approximate cost to support Wacky Wednesday for a student

\$150

• Approximate cost to fund a student and their date to prom

\$50

 Cost for a teacher to attend a local conference for art educators

If you are unable to attend, you may make your donation online at **potomacschool.ejoinme.org/auctionrsvp2019**.

With your help, we can achieve new levels of support for student scholarships and faculty professional development.





Fun-Filled Week on Nantucket

Enjoy a one-week stay in a beautiful home on charming Nantucket Island!

While Nantucket is a mere 47 square miles wide, it offers countless opportunities for enjoyment. Indulge in an exquisite seafood dinner. Explore the peaceful beaches that line the island's idyllic inlets and bays on foot, by bike, or by Jeep. Try your hand at surf fishing. Or spend a long afternoon tracking the flight of coastal birds. The finest spa services and athletic clubs are close at hand, and, given that Nantucket has one of the highest concentrations of pre-Civil War structures, a visit to the island is like roaming a living museum. Nantucket offers all the comforts of the 21st century wrapped in an elegant 19th-century package.

The winning bidder will spend one week in a gorgeous home located in Siasconset. The home is a short walk from Sconset Beach, the historic small town of Sconset, which includes The Siasconset Casino tennis club, the famous Summer House restaurant and piano bar, a quaint local market, and a small but delicious breakfast spot. The home features five bedrooms, each with an en suite bath, as well as two bunk rooms, each with its own bath and four to six bunk beds, a gourmet kitchen, and elegant dining and living spaces. The property also includes a large lap pool and a large, beautifully landscaped yard. Bikes and two vehicles will be available for the winning bidder's use.

Available any week in 2020; note that the weeks falling between July 6, 2020 and August 22, 2020, are subject to donor's availability. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses are the sole responsibility of traveler.

Donor: Rachel and Paul Sheridan Value: \$30,000

















ITEM 10

Rustic Dinner for 20 in Potomac's Unfinished Center for Athletics and Community Catered by Susan Gage

This unique opportunity will come along just once: the winning bidder will enjoy a rustic dinner for 20 guests catered by local favorite Susan Gage and served in the shell of the new Center for Athletics and Community prior to the building's opening.

Event to be held on a Friday or Saturday evening between May 15, 2019 and July 1, 2019 with the exception of June 7. Alcoholic beverages, tax, and gratuity not included. The winning bidder can choose to have the dinner in their home, if preferred.

Donors: Susan Gage Catering and The Potomac School Value: \$6,000

ITEM 11

A Lively Night of Bluegrass and BBQ with the Shedkickers and Bootheel Catering

Put on your boots and pull out the banjo — it's time for an extraordinary evening of Southern cuisine and bluegrass music!

Enjoy an all-inclusive dinner party for 30 guests prepared by Bootheel Catering while tapping your toes to live bluegrass music performed by the Shedkickers, featuring IS science teacher and Potomac grad Bill Hoffmann and his brother, former sustainability coordinator and Potomac grad Bern Hoffmann! The evening will begin with a veritable feast that includes at least three items from each of the following: starters, salads, sides, main courses, and sweet treats. Possible selections include mouth-watering crab cakes with fresh remoulade, Southern shrimp and grits, and award-winning barbecue! Beer and soft drinks are included, too. While guests dine, the Shedkickers will play two 50-minute sets of amazing bluegrass music.



Event date must be mutually agreeable to Bootheel Catering and the Shedkickers, with at least 20 business days' notice; holidays and holiday weekends are unavailable. Bootheel Catering will provide staff for up to four hours (additional staffing may be available for an additional charge). Disposable tableware will be provided; silverware, glassware, and china are available for an additional charge.

Additional charges may apply if event is held beyond a 10-mile radius of Arlington, VA. Event proceeds rain or shine. For more information on the Shedkickers: visit shedkickers.com. Expires February 28, 2020.

Donors: David Newton, Bootheel Catering, and the Shedkickers

Value: \$4,300





Four Night Stay at Exclusive Resorts Private Vacation Club



Spend four nights in one of Exclusive Resorts' exquisitely appointed residences located in one of eight flagship destinations ranging from the slopes of Lake Tahoe and shores of Grand Cayman to the beaches of Los Cabos and spectacular jungles of Peninsula Papagayo in Costa Rica. Each residence averages 3,500 square feet in size, has three to five-bedrooms that can accommodate up to 10 guests, and is equipped with luxuries like chef-grade kitchens, private infinity edge pools and hot tubs, and expansive gathering spaces.

Best of all, a personal concierge will plan every detail—from stocking the pantry with favorite foods and hiring a private chef to booking tee times and creating custom itineraries—ensuring a relaxing and hassle-free vacation.

Winner may choose from the following locations:

- Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands
 Real Del Mar, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
- · Lake Tahoe, California
- Scottsdale, Arizona

· Sea Island, Georgia

- Los Cabos, Mexico
- Peninsula Papagayo, Costa Rica
- Steamboat Springs, Colorado

Residence must be booked within 90 days of the last night the residence will be used. Reservations are subject to availability. Additional nights may be available at winner's expense. Vacation will consist of one consecutive four night stay in an available Exclusive Resorts residence in an eligible destination for an individual (23 years of age or older) and his/her guests. Vacation is not transferable and is subject to terms and conditions of the Exclusive Resorts Gateway Usage Escape Agreement, including without limitation maximum occupancy restrictions. Travel must occur and will be forfeited if not completed by March 14, 2020. Blackout Dates for this donation travel period are: Spring Break: 3/10/19 – 4/7/19, July 4th: 6/30/19 – 7/7/19, Thanksgiving: 11/24/19 – 12/1/19, Christmas: 12/22/19 – 12/29/19, New Year: 12/29/19 – 1/8/20, Presidents Week: 2/16/20 – 2/23/20, Spring Break: 3/15/20 – 4/12/20. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses are the sole responsibility of traveler.

Donor: Exclusive Resorts

Value: \$8,000









ITEM 13 Ultimate Dining Experience

Calling all foodies and anyone who loves to dine out with family and friends: the lucky winner of this package will enjoy dinner for six at Tosca, dinner for eight at Reverie, and dinner for eight at Et Voila!

At **Tosca**, the winning bidder and guests will be seated at the Chef's Table, the perfect vantage point for watching Chef Massimo Fabbri and his staff create a custom eightcourse culinary experience that includes two appetizers, three pastas, one fish course, one meat course, and dessert. Massimo's creative culinary style, which translates to a delicious mix of flavors that are exquisitely plated, combined with the intimate Chef's Table setting, promises an extraordinary evening.

As if a fantastic experience at Tosca were not enough, the lucky winner and guests will also spend a memorable evening at newly opened Georgetown hot-spot **Reverie**, one of *Washingtonian Magazine's* 100 Best Restaurants. Chef Johnny Spero, formerly of Columbia Room, Komi, and Minibar by Jose Andres, will prepare an exceptional New American and ingredient-driven culinary experience that is sure to please.

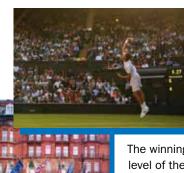


RESTAURANT

Last but certainly not least, the winning bidder and guests will enjoy an evening at **Et Voila!**, the Palisades-based classic Belgian French bistro known as a restaurant where chefs like to eat. Experience plump, delicious mussels; staples like "Carbonnade a la Flamande," a Flemish ale-simmered beef stew with double-fried Belgian fries; a refreshing endive salad; sugary Lieges waffles; and much more. **Et Voila!** owner and chef Claudio Pirollo, who grew up in Belgium, has been named "Best Young Chef in Belgium" and spent six years as the personal chef to the Irish Ambassador. **Et Voila!** was just listed in *The Washington Post's* article "Tom Sietsema's Favorite Places to Eat Right Now."

Advance reservations required.

Donors: Jessica and Ezra Glass, Tosca, Reverie, and Et Voila! Value: \$3,500



ITEM 14 Wimbledon VIP Center Court Package

Enjoy premium access to one of the most prestigious sporting events across the globe – The Championships, Wimbledon! Experience prime viewing of world-class matches and partake in luxury hospitality during this classic sporting event that is deeply rooted in English tradition.

The winning bidder and a guest will watch the action from their premium seats, located on the 100level of the illustrious Centre Court, for matches scheduled for July 9, 2019. Access to a private luxury suite located on the grounds, with fine hospitality such as gourmet food and beverages and a variety of in-suite amenities like air conditioning, comfortable seating, a private balcony, and televised coverage of matches, as well as commemorative merchandise, is included. This package also includes a two night stay (July 8 and 9, 2019) at London's luxurious Claridge's. Set in the heart

of Mayfair, Claridge's is an art deco icon and a byword for timeless elegance. Since the 1850s, Claridge's has excelled at the finer things in life: glamorous design, inspiring dining, and impeccable service. Cheerio!

Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses, unless noted above, are the sole responsibility of traveler.

Donors: Mark Lowham and Joe Ruzzo and TTR Sotheby's International Realty Value: \$7,400





Luxury Accommodations at The Dylan Hotel in Amsterdam

Spend three nights and four days at luxury hotel The Dylan in Amsterdam!

Enjoy one suite or two interconnecting rooms in this five-star boutique hotel, voted the Netherlands' Leading Hotel by the World Travel Awards. Located in an exceptional 17th century landmark on the Keizersgracht, which is one of the city's famous canals. The Dylan is in the heart of the Nine-Streets shopping district and just a short stroll from some of the city's main attractions. The Dylan features 40 individually designed rooms and suites, tranquil garden and lounges, unique meeting venues, and a Michelin-starred restaurant, Vinkeles.

Package includes accommodations for up to four guests; daily breakfast, High Wine, and dinner at Bar Brasserie OCCO for two guests also included. Dates subject to availability. Expires December 31, 2019. Includes three-nights/four-days in a suite or interconnecting rooms. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses, unless noted above, are the sole responsibility of traveler.

Donors: Erin Cleary Murtagh '93 and Paul Murtagh Value: \$5,000





ITEM 16 Rock the Red: Ultimate Caps Fan Package

If you're a Washington Capitals fan, this extraordinary ALL CAPS experience is for you!

The lucky winner will receive a one-of-a-kind Capitals package including:

- \cdot A hockey stick signed by the Great Eight Alex Ovechkin
- Jerseys signed by TJ Oshie and Nicklas Backstrom
- Four tickets to the Caps vs. Canadiens game on April 4, 2019 (seats are located in the Capital One Arena's lower bowl)
- A meet and greet with TJ Oshie and Nicklas Backstrom following the game

Donor: The Backstrom Family and The Oshie Family Value: Priceless









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Front-Row Seats for Potomac's 2019 Graduation Ceremony with Reserved Parking

One lucky family will win four front-row seats, reserved in their name, for the 2019 graduation ceremony. This is a great opportunity to guarantee the best seats in the house for this once-in-a-lifetime event for your child! A reserved parking space on graduation day also is included.

Donor: The Potomac School Value: Priceless





Four Front-Row Seats to Halloween or Holiday Divisional Assembly

Imagine not having to scramble to find seats for your child's big assembly! The winning bidder will receive four reserved seats during the 2019 – 20 school year for their choice of one of the following assemblies: LS Halloween, MS Halloween, LS Holiday, MS Holiday, IS Holiday, or US Winter Lights.

Restrictions: Can only be used for one of the events noted above and cannot be divided.

Donor: The Potomac School Value: Priceless





Organic Butcher "Meat" and Greet for Ten

Don't miss one of the area's most unique culinary experiences. Don Roden, owner of The Organic Butcher of McLean, will bring the "Big Green Egg" to the winning bidder's home and demonstrate for a group of up to 10 people how to smoke and grill some of the finest cuts of meat. This event is tailor made for meat lovers, but even culinary generalists are sure to enjoy this one-of-a-kind evening.

Restrictions: Beverages and side dishes not included.

Donor: Don Roden and The Organic Butcher Value: \$2,500





Chef's Dinner for Ten in Your Home

Enjoy a gourmet dinner with wine pairings for 10 in your home. This exquisite Italian meal will be prepared by Gabriel Thompson, the awardwinning executive chef and owner of Thompson's Italian Restaurant, which will open in Falls Church this spring. Gabriel is a nationallyrecognized chef who previously served as executive chef of RPM Italian in Washington, DC, and is a partner in top Italian restaurants L'Artusi, Dell' Anima, L'Apicio, and Anfora in New York City. The winner of this package will work with Gabriel and his wife, Katherine, an award-winning pastry chef, to plan a delightful four-course meal with wine pairings to be prepared on a mutually convenient date.

Expires March 2, 2020.

Donors: Gabriel and Katherine Thompson, Thompson's Italian Restaurant Value: \$2,500

Dinner and Wine for Two at Komi

The lucky winner of this package will enjoy dinner for two at Washington hotspot Komi. Recognized with a Michelin star and noted as one of Tom Sietsema's favorite Washington restaurants, Komi offers a delicious, unique, and memorable culinary experience. Johnny Monis' no-menu, fixed course events in particular are among the most special in town.

Donor: Komi Value: \$475









Two VIP Tickets to Third and Fourth Rounds of the 2020 U.S. Open at Winged Foot Golf Club



Hear the roars on the course with two VIP tickets to the third and fourth rounds (Saturday and Sunday, June 20 and 21, 2020) of the 2020 U.S. Open at Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, New York. "Winged Foot is a quintessential U.S. Open golf course, and we're thrilled to have the opportunity to bring our national championship back to a site that boasts such a long tradition of world-class competition," said Mike Davis, USGA Executive Director. Winged Foot, located 25 miles north of New York City in Westchester County, last hosted the U.S. Open in 2006, when Geoff Ogilvy outlasted Phil Mickelson,



Colin Montgomerie, and Jim Furyk for a one-stroke victory. If history is any guide, the U.S. Open at Winged Foot is sure to be a highly competitive championship!

Restrictions: Tickets not distributed until after June 30, 2019. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses are the sole responsibility of traveler.

Donor: Anonymous Value: \$1,450

Two Tickets to Two Sweet 16 Games at Capital One Arena

Enjoy one of the most exciting traditions in sports with two suite tickets to the two Sweet 16 games in the East Region of the Men's NCAA Basketball Tournament at Capital One Arena on March 29, 2019. Parking, food, and beverages included.

Donor: Anonymous Value: \$2,000





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EXPERIENCES

White House Easter Egg Roll for Four

Give your children a memorable Easter on the South Lawn of the White House with four tickets to the 141st annual White House Easter Egg Roll! Prepare to be entertained with live music, games, arts and crafts, great food, storytelling, and of course, Easter egg rolling.

Tickets with a specified entry time will be received one week before the event.



Donor: Anonymous



Pontoon Party for Ten

Take command of your own pontoon boat for a sunset cruise on beautiful Lake Barcroft. Your party of 10 will thoroughly enjoy this evening excursion while sipping craft cocktails and a variety of fine wines selected from the donors' own cellar, including vintage growers' champagne. Appetizers and a light dinner will be served.

Event to be scheduled on a mutually agreed-upon date.

Donor: Veronica Angulo and John Estes

Lebanese Taverna Happy Hour for 15

Get the ladies, guys, and/or your favorite couples together and head to Lebanese Taverna for fun drinks, delicious hummus, and other yummy Lebanese delicacies.

Happy hour available at Tysons Galleria location, Sunday through Thursday from 3:00 to 7:00 pm. Gratuity and taxes not included.

Donor: Lebanese Taverna









Private Director's Tour of The Kreeger Museum

Enjoy a private tour for up to 15 people with the director of The Kreeger Museum. The Kreeger Museum, an art museum and the former residence of David and Carmen Kreeger, rests on five acres of sculpture-filled gardens and is surrounded by tranquil woods. Designed by renowned architect Philip Johnson, it is among the few examples of his work in DC. The Kreeger's focus on 19th and 20th century paintings is evidenced by works of Monet, Picasso, Renoir, Cezanne, Chagall, Miro, and Stella. Also included in the permanent collection are works of prominent Washington artists and outstanding examples of traditional African and Asian art.

Tour must be scheduled for 9:00 am or 4:00 pm on a mutually convenient date, with one month's advance notice.

Donor: The Kreeger Museum





Nine Tickets to Shawn Mendes Concert at Capital One Arena

Shawn Mendes is touring Europe and North America in 2019 with a stop at Capital One Arena on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, at 7:30 pm!

The winning bidder and eight guests will see "Shawn Mendes: The Tour" in a luxurious Lexus Level Suite, complete with theaterstyle seats, a private restroom, and a furnished sitting area. You will be joined in the suite by the winners of the same item from the St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School auction.

Food and drinks not included, but in-suite refreshments may be ordered from the Capital One Arena for an additional charge.

Donors: Schertler & Onorato, L.L.P.

NBC4 Shadow Experience with Lauryn Ricketts

One Potomac student will shadow NBC4 Meteorologist Lauryn Ricketts at NBC Studios in Washington. The lucky winner will have a full-access tour of the NBC/*Meet The Press* studios and observe a live news broadcast, all while helping Lauryn prepare for her weather forecast!

Besides learning the ins and outs of weather forecasting, the student will see what it takes to produce a live TV newscast from every angle, including the control room. The student also will help Lauryn make the weather graphics that will be shown during her forecast later in the day. Other activities will include meeting TV news anchors, getting families with the forecus group group action and chapting Lauryn's live here.



familiar with the famous green screen, and observing Lauryn's live broadcasts for WTOP radio.

Package available to a Potomac student in grade six and above; visit will be scheduled for a mutually agreeable date. The experience will be two to three hours in length, and the student's family can join in the duration of the experience.

Donors: Lauryn Ricketts and NBC4









Cider Tasting for Ten with Cider Master from Anxo

Cider and Anxo go hand in hand! Cider, which is fermented from apples, technically is classified as wine, and Anxo Cidery and Pintxos Bar is DC's first licensed winery since Prohibition! In fact, Anxo has been recognized as a *Wine Enthusiast* Top 100 wine restaurant due to its nationally recognized cider. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy this acclaimed cider with a tasting for 10, led by Anxo's cider master.

Donor: Anxo





Dinner and Wine for Two at Masseria

Masseria, recognized with a Michelin star, is a celebration of the big, harmonious Italian flavors that shaped chef Nick Stefanelli's palate as a child. The name *masseria* itself is a heartfelt tribute to the sun-dappled, walled agricultural estates that dot the Puglia region and the honest coastal cuisine of the breadbasket of Italy. Capturing the warm welcome of the masseria, Stefanelli's first restaurant embodies the austere beauty of a simple Italian farmstead, the industrial grit of its Union Market neighborhood, and the irrepressible chic of its fashion-savvy chef-owner.

Donor: Masseria

Reservation for Two and \$150 Gift Card to Rose's Luxury

Enjoy an amazing meal for two at Michelin one-star restaurant Rose's Luxury on Barrack's Row in Washington. Package includes a \$150 gift certificate along with a reservation for two. Reservations are not normally available at Rose's Luxury.

Donors: Alexis Ellis and Rose's Luxury



Wine-Pairing Dinner for Ten at J. Gilbert's

Enjoy an evening filled with friends, food, and wine. Your party of 10 will delight in J. Gilbert's delectable Midwestern cuisine, such as USDA prime aged black Angus beef cooked over an open wood fire grill, and savor well-chosen wine pairings that accompany the meal. With great food, graceful personal service, and a roaring hearth, this will be an evening to remember!

Voucher includes pre-selected dinner and comes with a \$500 gift card for wine (gratuity not included).

Donors: Scott and Vanessa Barbee and J. Gilbert's





Villa del Palmar Beach Resort & Spa

Escape to Villa del Palmar, Cabo San Lucas! The lucky winner and three guests will spend a week in a fantastic one bedroom suite. The unit includes a full kitchen, two full bathrooms, one bedroom with a king-sized bed, and a living room with a pull-out couch – the perfect space for a family getaway!

Available July 3 to July 10, 2020. Dates may not be changed.

Donor: Johanna Rogers

Value \$1,500





Charlottesville Weekend Getaway

Traveling to UVA for Parents Weekend, or just want to spend a quiet fall or winter weekend in charming Charlottesville, Virginia? Visit The Elms, a fully restored historic home near Charlottesville, in the Green Springs Historic Landmark District. The home has three bedrooms accommodating up to six guests, two-and-a-half baths, and gracious living spaces and is located near wineries and historic attractions. Crib and toddler beds are also available. Access to the Keswick Club, featuring a Pete Dye golf course, pools, workout facility, and restaurant, is included.

Dates must be mutually agreed-upon; expenses incurred at Keswick Club not included.

Donors: Erin Pierce and Shawn Vasell Value: \$800

One-Week Getaway at Deep Creek Lake

Gather eight friends or family members for an unforgettable week in the Admiral's Cottage at Deep Creek Lake in the nearby mountains of Western Maryland. The fully-appointed Admiral's Cottage includes four bedrooms, a movie theatre, a Jacuzzi, and a pool table. The winning bidder will enjoy biking or playing on the lake during a warm season, or skiing at the nearby Wisp Resort in winter. For more details, visit www.facebook.com/groups/admiralscottage

Available any time of year for mutually agreed-upon dates. Refundable security deposit of \$250 is required.

Expires March 2, 2020.

Donor: Lily Gunn Value: \$3,000



One-Week Stay on Amelia Island



Enjoy a one-week vacation rental in a beautiful, remodeled two-bedroom beachfront cottage on the north end of Florida's Amelia Island. Within walking distance of restaurants, miniature golf, and a seasonal water slide, the peaceful setting of this cottage is just a short drive or bike ride to downtown Fernandina Beach.

Based on availability and must be a Saturday-to-Saturday rental during peak spring and summer months. Maximum four guests. Pets are possible with permission. Airfare or ground transportation to Florida not included.

Donors: Jill DeTemple and Gordon O'Brien Value: \$1,500







SPORTS

Round of Golf for Four at TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm

The winning bidder and three guests will enjoy a round of golf on Avenel's acclaimed course.

Greens and cart fees included; forecaddie fees not included. Available on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Sunday; date must be reserved 10 days in advance.

Expires December 31, 2019.

Donors: Irene and Ed Woo and TPC Potomac Value: \$1,500





Basketball Signed by UVA Coach Tony Bennett

Calling all Cavaliers fans! This basketball signed by UVA Men's Basketball Coach Tony Bennett will make the perfect addition to your home. Last year, Bennett led the Cavs to an ACC Tournament Championship and the first overall seed in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament!

Donors: Malvika and Mike Paddock Value: Priceless

Four Tickets to Washington Nationals vs. Atlanta Braves

Take me out to the ballgame! Don't miss this chance to experience the thrill of baseball with four tickets for Delta Sky360 seats located behind home plate! Watch the Nationals take on the Atlanta Braves on June 21, 2019, at 7:05 pm. Package includes parking, food, and beverages.

Donor: Kim Kuryea and Steve Martin Value: \$825





Three Tickets to a Capitals Game

Hey, Caps fans! The lucky winner of this package will enjoy three tickets to the Capitals game of their choice in the 2019-20 season. Seats located in the fourth row off the ice.

Contact donors during summer 2019 to schedule.

Donor: Stacy and Dax Cummings Value: \$700





Whiskey Quartz Faceted Necklace with Dark Citrine Pendant and Matching Tulare Earrings by Dina Mackney

These gorgeous matching pieces are designed and donated by renowned jewelry designer and Potomac School parent Dina Mackney, who has been featured in *InStyle Magazine*, *The Washington Post*, and *The Atlanta Journal Constitution*. Dina's designs have been worn by actresses, musicians (as seen at the Grammy Awards), and many other trendsetters.

No returns or exchanges.

Donor: Dina Mackney Designs Value: \$780





An Evening of Babysitting Provided by Potomac Teacher Sarah Heist

Enjoy a night on the town with friends while Sarah Heist, Potomac's Middle School math coordinator, takes care of the kids! Sarah will provide babysitting services for up to 12 children for four to five hours on a mutually agreed-upon evening.

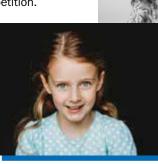
Donor: Sarah Heist Value: Priceless

Keely Owendoff Photography

Keely Owendoff is a fine art and portrait photographer located in the Washington, DC, area. Keely's work is available at Minted and West Elm; she has been named one of Minted Editors' Picks and a finalist in the Voice Print Competition.

The lucky winner of this package will enjoy a modern portrait session for children in a studio setting (children will be photographed individually and together). The winner will receive an online gallery that includes all of the digital images from the session, as well as three large prints of their choice. Visit keelyowendoff.com for more details on Keely and her work.

Donor: Keely Owendoff Photography Value: \$650







SAWP Skin & Laser

Pamper yourself at SAWP Skin & Laser. This \$2,000 gift certificate can be redeemed for services ranging from laser hair removal to chemical peels, Oxylight Facial Therapy, and much, much more!

Expires March 2, 2020.

Donor: SAWP Skin & Laser Value: \$2,000









They teach, support, and inspire our children every day. Now, they are going the extra mile to donate their time for our Fun with Faculty! Don't miss your chance to bid on these amazing experiences, all donated by Potomac's wonderful faculty and staff. Online bidding opens on February 20, 2019, at noon and closes at the end of the Silent Auction at the event on March 2, 2019. Visit the website at **potomacs2019.ggo.bid**.

Head of School

Nationals Game with Mr. Kowalik

Lower School

- Nationals Game with Mr. and Mrs. Powell
- Sewing party with Mrs. Powell
- Outdoor Adventure with Mrs. Nagell and Mrs. McKillop
- Game time with Ms. Condie, Ms. Eldridge, and Ms. Lucas
- Puppet Theatre Outing with Mrs. Steiner
- Bowling with Mrs. Berke
- Dinner and Donuts with Second Grade Teachers at Pie-Tanza and Duck Donuts
- Soccer Party for 16 with Mr. McEwen and Four Varsity Players
- Make Pottery with Ms. Petru and Ms. Bagley
- Pottery Class for Three Students with Ms. MacKenzie
- Explore the Trails of Potomac with Ms. Edelmann, Ms. Tolson, and Mrs. Dunn
- Hand-made Child's Silhouette with Mrs. Neuman
- Rebounderz Fun with Mrs. Neuman and Mrs. Gibb
- One-Week Girl Power Camp with Mrs. Mays
- Build a Maze for the Guinea Pigs with Mrs. Kaplan

- Kindergarten/First Grade Personalized Library Lesson and Snacks with Ms. O'Hara
- After-School Library Lock-In for Second/ Third Graders with Ms. O'Hara
- Folk Dancing with Mrs. Clayburn

Middle/Intermediate/Upper School and Athletics

- Trip to the Newseum for Three Students with Mr. Mathews
- Bowling Bonanza Lunch and Bowling for a Student and Three Friends with Mrs. Furr
- DJ Dance Party with Mrs. Furr and Ms. Gardner
- Trip to the Movies for Four with Mrs. Westermann and Ms. Oplinger
- STEM, Robotics, or Engineering Activity for Four with Mrs. Jarratt and Mr. Mueller
- Trip to the Movies for Four with Mrs. Cameron and Mrs. Sardar

- Outing to the U.S. Botanic Garden with Lunch and Snack with Miss Cahill
- Indoor Soccer Tournament for 20 with Mr. Hoffmann
- Video Game Showdown with Mr. Mogle
- Escape Room Adventure with Mr. McNeil
- DC Experience with Mrs. Hoogstra
- Yoga Fun with Ms. Brock
- Painting Workshop with Mrs. Dunkleberger







Buy a Chance to Win THE BEST OF LIVE RAFFLE!

The Live Auction features some of the most unique and exciting items we have to offer this year. By purchasing a Best of Live raffle ticket, you have the opportunity to win one of these items at the incredible price of just \$100.

Only 220 Best of Live raffle tickets will be sold. Tickets are on sale now online at www.potomacschool.org/bestoflive and in the Advancement Office, located in the Flag Circle Building (contact Potomac's Director of Advancement Events, Christine Sharkey, at (703) 749-6362 or csharkey@potomacschool.org to buy tickets or if you have questions). Any remaining tickets will be sold during the Silent Auction.

Once you have purchased a ticket, simply provide your name and the item you would like to win. The winning ticket will be drawn at the beginning of the Live Auction. The winner will receive the Live Auction item indicated on his/her ticket, and that item will be withdrawn from the Live Auction. You do not have to be present to win.

The MixTape Tour Concert Featuring New Kids on the Block, Salt-N-Pepa, Debbie Gibson, and More, Fun-Filled Week on Nantucket and Four Night Stay at Exclusive Resorts Private Vacation Club are not eligible for the Best of Live raffle.



Please note the purchase of a raffle ticket is not considered a tax-deductible charitable contribution.

Taxes may be due for the winner on the difference between the item's market value and the price of the raffle ticket. The Potomac School will pay any taxes required to be withheld, and the winner will receive a Form W-2G from the school. Any questions on tax matters should be referred to your tax advisor.



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See a full listing of all wines available at the event at **potomacs2019.ggo.bid**.





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Would you like to try something new, have some fun, and meet great people? If so, **Buy a Spot** at the 2019 Auction! **The process is easy.** Review the selected offerings below and this year's full listing online at **potomacs2019.ggo.bid** (note that the prices are per person/spot). Click on the "Buy a Spot" category, find the experience you are interested in, select the item, and click "purchase now." Spots are limited and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Don't Stop Believing and Help Us Tackle Hunger *Friday, April 12, 2019*



Can we pack 25,000 meals for the hungry in our community in less than 2 hours? Come, serve, and leave empowered as we tackle the very real problem of hunger in our region. Ages: Kindergarten to 100+. Together, we can make a difference.

The event will be held on April 12, 2019, from 10:00 am to 12 noon at McLean Presbyterian Church. Spots will be sold for \$50 per person on a first-come, first-served basis.

Donors: Katy Moser, Ashley Fisher, Amy Otteni, Alicia Downs, Marilyn Vadon, Nicole Alexander, Liina Richardson, Laura Denk, Jessica Whitehurst, Jillian Marwell, Gia Cillizza, Milena Mohammed, Julia Thompson

Sip, Shop, and Savor Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Channel your inner Carrie Bradshaw and join us for an evening of shopping, wine and appetizers at the Shoe Hive in Alexandria. The Shoe Hive brings you the latest trends and long-lasting styles in designer shoes and accessories. A unique selection and impeccable service set them apart. You'll enjoy wine, delicious appetizers, and shopping not to mention 20% off any purchases. Life is short, buy the shoes!

This event will be held from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Wednesday, April 17, 2019. Spots will be sold for \$50 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 25 spots.

Donors: Amber Westland, Dorothy McIntire, Shoe Hive







Walkin' on Sunshine: Hike the Trail III Tuesday, April 23, 2019



Explore the woodland wonders of Rock Creek Park with a guided hike and trail-side picnic. We'll ramble along the trails, savor the beauty of the early spring ephemerals,

and listen to the babbles of Rock Creek. Your efforts will be rewarded with a delicious meal. Margaret Rietano, past Potomac parent and founder of The Elements DC (theelementsdc.com), will be leading this adventure. The hike will cover 3+ miles of wooded paths with terrain flat and rooty, rocky and hilly. Athletic shoes or hiking boots are recommended. All are welcome!

The event will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, at 10:30 am. Spots will be sold for \$50 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 30 spots.

Donors: Margaret Rietano, Mary Ritchey, The Elements DC

A May Day in the Country Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Would you enjoy exploring

some lovely green space and having fun with other Potomac moms? If the answer is yes, please join Loudoun county homeowner and Potomac School parent Wendy Gagnon for a day in the country!

Your relaxing day begins when you arrive at school to board the "Loudoun County Express" (aka Potomac School bus) to Leesburg at 9:00 am. Enjoy a mid-morning snack, then don your old boots for our nature hike down to the Potomac River. Afterward, dine on a farm-to-table lunch and indulge in liquid libations. On the drive back to school, the bus will briefly stop in Lucketts so you can check out the donor's fave antique stores!. You're sure to arrive back at Potomac School by 2:30 refreshed by your DAY IN THE COUNTRY!

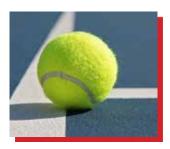
This event will be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 15 spots.

Donors: Wendy and Greg Gagnon

Live Ball Cardio Tennis Thursday, May 2, 2019

Join in the fun and connect with the tennis community within Potomac! For tennis lovers of all levels, this event features Belle Haven Country Club pros leading lively, simulated match-play drills, and a champagne lunch courtside. Join your hosts in a high-energy fitness activity that combines the best features of tennis with cardiovascular exercise, delivering the ultimate full-body workout.

This event will be held on Thursday, May 2, at 12:00 noon at Belle Haven Country Club. The rain date will be Thursday, May 16. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Minimum eight and maximum of 12 tennis-loving players!



Donors: Alicia Downs, Kit Stouffer, Lindsay Byrnes, Caroline DenHerder, Becky Tromblay, Sarah Lipson, Priscilla Stanzel

Creativity in Bloom *Thursday, May* 9, 2019

Join May Bernhardt, owner of Mayflowers of McLean, as she demonstrates the art of flower arranging. Receive step-by-step instructions while creating your own springinspired displays. Once your floral masterpiece has been created, enjoy a relaxing champagne luncheon. What a way to kick off Mother's Day weekend! Guests will take their arrangements home to enjoy!

The event will be held on May 9, 2019, at 10:30 am at the Sheridans' home in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 20 spots.

Donors: Katy Moser, Rachel Sheridan, and Mayflowers









"ADULTS ONLY" Paint Party Friday, May 17, 2019



Grab your friends and get ready for a little bit of paint, a little bit of wine, and a whole lot of fun! Leave that stress behind and pick up your fave glass to sip at this colorful party complete with easy step-by-step instruction. Eat, drink, laugh and paint while experienced artist and Lower School art teacher Diana MacKenzie guides you through creating your own masterpiece to take home. Canvas and paint will be provided in addition to adult beverages, yummy bites and good music. No experience necessary. When in doubt, just paint, sip, repeat!

The event will be held the evening of Friday, May 17. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 20 spots.

Donors: Diana MacKenzie, Angie Goff, Jen Millard

Bootcamp and Bubbles *Sunday, May* 19, 2019



Fitness Brunches are the newest exercise trend! Start your Sunday off right and get ready for summer with a fun, high-energy fitness class followed by a light brunch with mimosas.

The event will be held on Sunday, May 19, 2019, at 10:00 am at BodyCentric Fitness in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 10 spots.

Donors: Katy Moser and Amy Augustin, BodyCentric Fitness

Trivia Night Wednesday, May 29, 2019

Get your trivia fix on with an exciting night about politics, pop culture and everything in between with CNN's own Chris Cillizza. Who knows, additional B-list celebrities from the world of political journalism may even show up! Heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks will leave you struggling to answer the perennial favorite "Who was the only bachelor president?"

This event will be held at a new home in the Retreat at McLean & Mehr Farm on May 29 at 7:00 pm. Sports will be sold for \$125 per person on a firstcome, first-served basis. Limited to 50 spots.



Donors: Gia and Chris Cillizza, Julie and Tom Steindler, Ashley and Dan Fisher

Come Graze With Me Sunday, June 2, 2019

Learn how to create gorgeous cheese, charcuterie, and grazing boards from the team at Cheats and Meeses. You will enjoy grazing on wine and cheese while you learn, and will leave with your full board and the confidence to create your own masterpiece for your next event.

The event will be held on Sunday, June 2, 2019 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 15 spots.

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School's Out for Summer: Keg Party Thursday, June 6, 2019

End the school year with an evening of great food and friends to kick off the summer. There will be excellent food from Rocklands, good tunes, and lots of fun, all at Piper Yerks-Gioia's home in McLean.

The event will be held on Thursday, June 6 at 7:00 pm. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 100 spots.

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Margarita Mamas October 3, 2019

Fiesta like there's no mañana – at least until well after bedtime! Join us for happy hour at El Tio's in Great Falls while we chip, dip, and margarita sip. Meet some new friends or enjoy the night with some old ones. Either way, it's going to be a party!

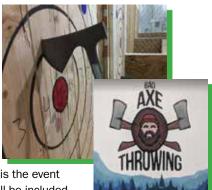
The event will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2019. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 30 spots.

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Dads Kick Axe! Thursday, October 17, 2019

Experience the rush of throwing an axe! Join fellow Potomac dads for this unique excursion at Bad Axe Throwing. Our group will have dedicated axe throwing lane(s) and our own throwing coach. If you're looking



for an awesome time, this is the event for you. Food and drinks will be included.

The event will be held on Thursday, October 17, 2019, at Bad Axe Throwing in downtown DC. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis, adults only. Limited to 25 spots.

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Party "All Night Long" with the Legwarmers Friday, October 25, 2019



Come relive the 80s with the ultimate eighties tribute band! Join us on Friday, October 25 at the State Theater for a night to remember. Before the 80s come alive, enjoy food and drink at Clare and Don's in Falls Church.

This concert will be held on Friday, October 25, at the State Theater. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a firstcome, first-served basis, adults only. Limited to 40 spots.

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Hot Cocoa and a Movie for the Kids December 2019

Kick off the 2019 holiday season with a family movie on the big screen in Langstaff Auditorium. You and your kid(s) can enjoy fun holiday treats and get creative at the hot cocoa bar before the movie. You might even find samplings from the elves' four main food groups: candy, candy canes, candy corns, and syrup! Come in your casual clothes, your PJs, or even your silliest holiday sweater.

The event will be held on a weekend date in early December. Spots will be sold for \$40 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Limited to 150 spots.

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