



# ST. MONICA SCHOOL

*Where Students Are Loved and Challenged*

December 9, 2011

Dear Families of St. Monica:

On Saturday, March 10, 2012 St Monica's school will hold our annual auction dinner, the Bleu Bayou. Sponsored by the Parents Club, it is our biggest fundraiser of the year, with funds used to support tuition assistance and the enhancement programs at St. Monica School. Our goal is \$30,000 +, but we'll need your help to realize this goal and more!

The Auction Dinner is an adult's only event that includes a cash raffle, silent auction, wine wheel roulette, and sumptuous dinner while we enjoy our musical guest, The Gerry Grosz Jazz Kitchen, sponsored by SF Jazz. In true New Orleans hospitality, our menu will include salad, pasta, marinated crab, roast chicken and dessert. Wine, beer, and soft drinks are also included in the ticket price. The evening will begin at 6pm with drinks and hors d'oeuvres and an hour for you to preview all of the fabulous auction donations that we have procured. **You could be the lucky winner of our door prize, an Apple iPad!** Dinner will start at approximately 7pm.

Your participation is paramount, as we will need the help of every family in our community. Each family is required to have 3 of the 28 parent participation hours dedicated to this Auction Dinner. Parent participation hours are awarded for volunteer services and items donated. Please choose from the following to satisfy your commitment.

**1. Give Items**

Do you know of businesses that would like to donate gift certificates or merchandise for the auction? Do you have "new" unused items that we can use for gift baskets? We are also requesting donations of fine wines for our Wine Wheel Roulette. Donated items are eligible for service hours. All items are subject to approval regarding hours.

**2. Get Sponsors**

We expect over 300 people to attend this event. What better way to advertise your business or a friend's business than in our auction program? Please refer to the Auction Donor Form for details. Ads solicited are eligible for service hours subject to approval.

**3. Give Money**

You can earn hours by sponsoring some of the expenses for the event. We need sponsors to cover expenses such as printing, food ingredients, desserts, supplies, and beverages. Please inquire with Betty Gon if interested in this option.

**4. Give Time**

You will be credited one hour for every hour you volunteer. This is a fun way to earn your service hours and meet lots of people while volunteering!! You can help with setup, dinner preparation, silent auction assistance, check-out, or clean up. ***(\*\*\*Psst...Double service hours will be awarded for clean up!!)***

When making donations, please be sure to complete and include the Auction Donor Form so that you can get the appropriate credit for your contributions. Without this form, we may not be able to give you the appropriate credit for your donations. All donations should be delivered or dropped off to the school office.

Parent participation hours aside, you can also support the fundraiser by selling raffle tickets and attending the dinner. Raffle sales are a significant component of this event. It comprises one-third of the funds raised. Most of all come support St. Monica School and enjoy an evening of fun, food, and friends!

**Raffle Tickets**

We encourage each family to sell three books of tickets and more if possible. The more tickets you sell the better your chances of winning. ***The first two classes who have 100% participation will be rewarded with a field trip to the House of Air.*** The class that sells the most will win an ***Ice Cream Party.***

For every 10 books sold, a family will get a chance at winning a free registration for the next school year, a \$400 value!! One entry for every 10 books of raffle tickets sold.

All raffle ticket sales returned to the school office should be accompanied by a completed Raffle Ticket Sales Form. This will help give you and your child the appropriate credit for the raffle sales contest. Additional raffle tickets are available from Mrs. Dillon at the school office.

**Attend the Event**

Don't miss out!! We have fantastic items for sale such as summer camps, sports tickets, theme park tickets, restaurants, and much more. You will be enjoying a delicious meal prepared by our alumni parent chef, Greg Patterson. Feel free to invite friends and family. Remember to turn in your RSVPs early!! Space is limited!

**All forms included in this package will be made available on the school website at [www.stmonicasf.org](http://www.stmonicasf.org).**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the committee members below:

General Event & Sponsorship Questions Amber Ovalle at **[a\\_ovalle@comcast.net](mailto:a_ovalle@comcast.net)**

Volunteering Opportunities Betty Gon at **[bw\\_gon@yahoo.com](mailto:bw_gon@yahoo.com)**

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Gift Basket Donations Joan Audibert at **[sunbne@aol.com](mailto:sunbne@aol.com)**

Raffle Tickets Amy Leung at **[aleung\\_mh@yahoo.com](mailto:aleung_mh@yahoo.com)**

St. Monica School is a community of learners, believers, and friends that work together to make a difference in the lives of our children. We look forward to our special event and know your support and contributions will be a valuable addition to our fundraising efforts.

Sincerely,  
Amber Ovalle & Betty Gon  
Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs