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2020 Dotomac  
Scholarship Auction



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## Dear Potomac Community,



Welcome to Potomac's annual Scholarship Auction. How fitting it is that this year's auction theme is *The Roaring 20s*! We are at the start of a new decade – an exciting place to be. And from this vantage point, the Potomac community looks forward with optimism, knowing that our school, with its 116-year history of educational excellence, is positioned for an even brighter future.

We finished up the last decade with an incredible accomplishment: the construction and opening of Potomac's new Spangler Center for Athletics and Community. It was less than three years ago that we began sharing our plans for this facility and the many ways that it would enhance our students' experience and the life of our school. Thanks to the vision, generosity, and hard work of many individuals, those plans are now a reality. As we begin this new decade, members of the Potomac community are taking full advantage of all that this amazing building has to offer, with our interscholastic sports teams practicing and competing there; students, faculty, and staff using the fitness facilities to keep in shape; and a diverse array of activities – from a robotics tournament to our Upper School Winterfest celebration – being held there. And now, for the first time in more than a decade, Potomac's Scholarship Auction will take place on campus, in our fabulous Spangler Center.

This new building is just one reflection of the vibrancy of our learning community. All across campus – in our classrooms, laboratories, and libraries, on our playing fields and in our performance spaces – students and teachers are pouring their energy into the work of learning and personal growth. The Potomac experience is shaped by academic challenge and the supportive relationships that encourage students to stretch, to bounce back from failure, and to work conscientiously and creatively to achieve their goals. Since its founding, our school has emphasized both intellectual growth and character development; today, we add a third, interconnected pillar to this strong educational foundation: the acquisition of key life skills, such as public speaking, financial literacy, and cultural competence. As the new decade dawns, we are keeping our eyes on the horizon, guided always by our mission to prepare students for lives of purpose, achievement, and generosity of spirit.

The generosity of our benefactors helps us achieve Potomac's mission of educational excellence, and this annual auction is an important opportunity for members of our community to show their support for our amazing students and teachers. We thank our event co-chairs – Bela Aggarwal, Jen Graham, and Cherylyn Mizzo – and all those whose dedication and effort have helped ensure that Potomac's 2020 Scholarship Auction will be a memorable celebration.

Finally, as we roar into the 20s together, I thank each one of you for being part of Potomac's ongoing success story. Your friendship and support make a tremendous difference.

All my best,  
  
**John Kowalik**  
Head of School

## Dear Friends,

Welcome to Potomac's 2020 Scholarship Auction!

This annual event is a powerful reflection of the character of the Potomac School community. On this evening, we come together to celebrate and support something that we deeply value: education that addresses every dimension of a child's life, helping him or her to grow intellectually, develop good character, and prepare for a lifetime of genuine success and satisfaction. We recognize that this kind of education can only occur in an environment that espouses high standards and embraces the worth of each individual – an environment where *people* are the heart of the enterprise. So we come together at this annual celebration to invest in the people who define a Potomac School education – our talented, motivated students and our inspired and inspiring teachers.



I look forward to the auction each year because it is so gratifying to see a community united by shared values and a common commitment to excellence. Certainly, this event is always fun – an evening of laughter and camaraderie (and some friendly competition when the bidding begins!) But our participation in the auction has a deeper significance; it underscores our belief in the unique value of a Potomac School education. We know that this kind of education has a profound impact on individual lives and, by extension, on our society and our world. So we come out to enjoy a delicious dinner and the fun of bidding but also to take a leadership role in supporting and sustaining education that makes a lasting difference.

As chair of Potomac's Board of Trustees, I can tell you without any doubt that this is an exciting time for our school. Less than three years ago, John Kowalik began sharing a comprehensive vision for Potomac's future with our students, faculty and staff, parents, grandparents, and alumni. This past November, we saw the first component of that vision realized, when our magnificent Spangler Center for Athletics and Community opened. As we continue working together to fully realize our vision for the future, our efforts will be guided by four foundational commitments: excellent teaching, empowering students, a connected community, and financial sustainability. If you know Potomac, these commitments won't surprise you; they go to the very heart of our school's mission and identity.

Before I close this letter, I would like to draw your attention to one particular aspect of the Scholarship Auction: the Fund a Scholar initiative. While the silent and live auction components of this event invite us to bid on some amazing offerings, Fund a Scholar 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, grandparents, alumni, and friends as we raise our paddles to make our 2020 Fund a Scholar donations.

Thank you for everything you do for our school – and enjoy the auction!



**Sameer Bhargava**

*Chair, Board of Trustees*



## Dear Potomac Friends and Family,

We are jazzed to welcome you to The Potomac School's *Roaring 20s* Scholarship Auction and are especially thrilled that the auction will make its way back to campus at the brand new Spangler Center for Athletics and Community – a shining example of Potomac's commitment to connected community.

As we usher in a new decade full of growth, hope, and promise, we remain firmly rooted in The Potomac School's core values of courage, integrity, humility, perseverance, and respect. The evening of February 29 will be a delightful throwback to a glamorous, booming era, but our sights will be set on the future of our beloved community. Let's allow the creativity, modernity, and technical feats of the 1920s to inspire us to think about what is possible for our very own roaring 2020s here at The Potomac School.

The tremendous outpouring of support from so many who share our hope of making this year's Scholarship Auction a huge success has been truly humbling. We are thankful to all who have shared their time, talents, and resources as we prepared for this momentous occasion and are especially grateful to Christine Sharkey and Alexis Ellis, along with the entire Advancement Office, for their tireless support of the auction and the Potomac community.

Our goal for this year's auction is to have 100% participation among our families, faculty, and staff, so please don your feathers and fedoras and enjoy a roaring good time on February 29! Dust off your dancing shoes and join us for the Charleston as we place bids and raise paddles to reaffirm our commitment to an inclusive student body led by talented faculty.



With sincere thanks for your generosity of spirit,

**Bela Aggarwal, Jen Graham, and Cherylyn Mizzo**

*Auction Co-Chairs*



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**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.**





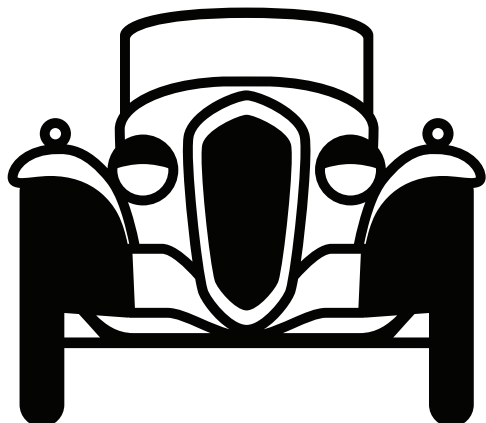
## Online Auction Opens February 17, 2020 at Noon PREVIEW AND BID!

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 Monday, February 17, at noon and closes on Thursday, February 27, 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 Monday, February 17, 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 Monday, February 17. The preview provides the opportunity to see all of the items that will be available for bidding at the Live Auction on February 29. If you would like to place an absentee bid for a Live Auction item, email Christine Sharkey at [csharkey@potomacschool.org](mailto:csharkey@potomacschool.org) by Thursday, February 27, at noon.

### Auction Website Instructions

- If you would like to preview the items included in this year's auction, log on to Potomac's 2020 auction website: [potomacs2020.ggo.bid](http://potomacs2020.ggo.bid).
- 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 Monday, February 17, at noon.
- Potomac parents, grandparents, and friends 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 instructions for creating your account.
- If you do not receive an email when the Online Auction opens, visit [potomacs2020.ggo.bid](http://potomacs2020.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 set a maximum bid. If you set a maximum bid, the system automatically will bid in your favor up to your maximum bid, until you are outbid or until the Online Auction or Silent Auction, as applicable, closes. You will receive an email and/or text message alerting you when you have been outbid. 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. Please note that the Online Auction website is optimized for use on smartphones.



## Only Available ONLINE

Hundreds of items are available on our Online Auction pages.

A sampling of these items is provided below. Please visit our Online Auction website at [potomacs2020.ggo.bid](http://potomacs2020.ggo.bid) to see all the offerings and place your bid.

### Bon Appétit

- **Cheese and Charcuterie Board for Eight**  
*Donated by All Aboard*
- **\$50 Gift Certificate to Chaia Tacos**  
*Donated by Chaia Tacos*
- **\$50 Gift Certificate to The Salt Line Oyster + Ale**  
*Donated by The Salt Line Oyster + Ale*
- **Gift Cards from Seasons 52, Surfside, Millie's, Balducci's, Jetties, Southblock, and many more!**

### Camps, Classes, and Fun

- **One Pitching Session**  
*Donated by Pitch Hit Run Baseball Studio*
- **Private Soccer Training Session**  
*Donated by HP Elite & Beyond*
- **Three-Week Session of Discovery Camp**  
*Donated by The Potomac School*

### Experiences

- **Two Concert Passes to The State Theatre**  
*Donated by The State Theatre*
- **Four Daytime Passes to George Washington's Mount Vernon**  
*Donated by Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union*
- **Two Tickets to a Performance of Hair at Signature Theatre**  
*Donated by Signature Theatre*

### Treat Yourself

- **Custom Hand-Stitched Accessory from Smathers & Branson**  
*Donated by Smathers & Branson*
- **Amethyst and Czechoslovakian Crystal Necklace from Mangan Jewelers**  
*Donated by Mangan Jewelers*
- **\$200 Gift Certificate**  
*Donated by Ms. Annie's Waxing Studio*
- **Gift cards from Modern Nail Studio, Karin's Florist, Scout & Molly's Ballston Quarter, and many more!**

### Parties for Children and Adults

- **Ice Cream Sundae Party for a class or advisory**  
*Donated by Potomac Advancement Office*
- **Firehouse Tour for Eight**  
*Donated by McLean Firehouse*
- **Flag Football Party for 20 with McLean Flag Star**  
*Donated by Flag Star McLean*

### Sports

- **Five Rhythmic Cycling Classes**  
*Donated by Zengo Studio*
- **One-Month Gym Membership**  
*Donated by McLean Racquet and Health Club*
- **10-Point Rock the Reformer Pilates Package**  
*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*
- **Shadow Day with Angie Goff**  
*Donated by Angie Goff*





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# LIVE Auction

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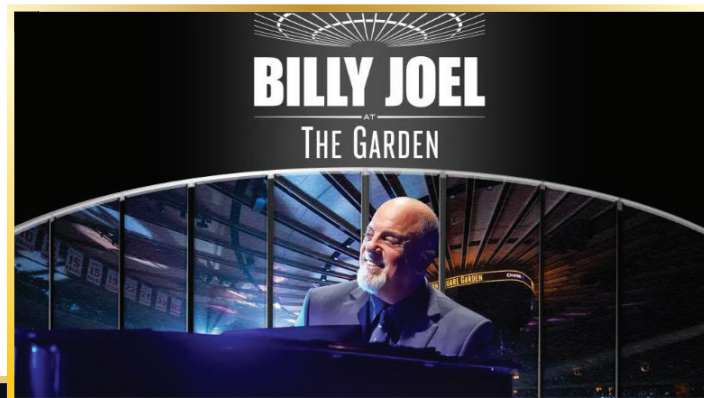
## Luxury Box Suite to See “Piano Man” Billy Joel at the Famed Madison Square Garden on March 19

Get in a New York State of Mind with THE Billy Joel! Treat yourself and 17 friends to the musical experience of lifetime watching the Piano Man himself tickle the keys in the town where it all started! Relax in your private luxury SkyBox with food and drinks provided. The concert comes nearly 42 years after Joel's debut on the iconic Madison Square Garden stage. It will also mark his 120<sup>th</sup> lifetime performance at the venue, with over one million tickets sold.

Billy Joel's history with The Garden is long and his performances there are legendary. He was even named Madison Square Garden's first-ever music franchise, joining the ranks of the storied venue's other original franchises – the New York Knicks and Rangers. Having sold more than 150 million records, Billy Joel is one of the most popular recording artists and respected entertainers in the world. He has had 33 Top 40 hits and 23 Grammy nominations since signing his first solo recording contract in 1972. He has also received the Grammy Legend Award and been inducted into both the Rock & Roll and Songwriters Halls of Fame.

**Donor: National Land Tenure and Jen and Chris Graham**

Value: \$10,000





## ITEM 2 Park City Ski Vacation for Spring Break 2021

Book your Spring Break 2021 by being the highest bidder on this fantastic Park City Ski Vacation! Located just one block from Main Street in Old Town, up to eight guests will enjoy seven nights in this gorgeous four-bedroom private ski home offering beautiful mountain views, spacious living areas, a professional kitchen, a heated garage, and a private outdoor hot tub. With an open floor plan, the design blends together the dining and living rooms, making Abode at Daly Canyon ideal for entertaining or relaxing after a day on the mountain. Upstairs you will find two guest bedrooms, a custom bunk room, and a master suite with a private bath, fireplace, and balcony – the perfect getaway to relax with your favorite book! Out back, a private après ski escape awaits, featuring a heated patio, newly installed hot tub with Bluetooth, fire pit, and grilling station. A beautiful wooded trail, located just out the front door, provides easy access to snowshoeing in the winter and hiking in the summer. Conveniently located right above Main Street, Abode at Daly Canyon is the perfect location for guests who want to be in the middle of the Old Town action while still less than five minutes from both Park City Mountain Resort and Deer Valley Resort!

The fun doesn't end there! Your ski home-away-from-home is walking distance from Main Street and these delicious foodie experiences:

After a full day on the slopes, warm up with a fabulous Mexican feast for four at Crystal Park Cantina.

Enjoy fine dining for four with contemporary cuisine and a lively atmosphere at Handle.

When it's time to leave, dry your tears and reminisce about all the fun you've had with your \$100 gift certificate to White Horse Spirits and Kitchen's convenient location in the Salt Lake City Airport.

Package includes:

- Seven-night Park City home stay for up to eight guests
- Dinner for four at Crystal Park Cantina
- Dinner for four at Handle
- Gift Certificate for \$100 to White Horse in Salt Lake City

*Restrictions: March 21 - March 28, 2021 (seven nights; alternate dates may be available by request). Airfare and transportation not included.*

**Donor: The Rosener family, Handle, Crystal Park Cantina, White Horse**

Value: \$7,500

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## Host Your Own 2020's Speakeasy at Members-Only CXIII Rex! Dinner, Cigars, and Scotch for 12

"Too much of anything is bad, but too much of a good whiskey is barely enough." – Mark Twain. Entertain 12 friends or clients at this exclusive members-only cigar club in historic Old Town Alexandria. Upon arrival, you will enjoy a quick ride up the private elevator, which will take you into the exclusive club. Your evening begins with a delicious meal and wine from the club's extensive collection, selected by the donors. After dinner, relax on the leather couches and enjoy the warmth of the fireplace as you taste cigars from a private humidor locker. Explore the club's vast scotch collection with a tasting of premium scotch whiskey and single-malt scotch. An evening not to be missed!

*Restrictions: Must contact donor for a mutually agreeable date at least one month prior to desired date. Value not to exceed \$5,000.*

**Donors: Piper Yerks Gioia and Win Sheridan**

*Value: \$5,000*



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## A Night for the History Books!

**Take Over All Eight Rooms at The George of Old Town and Enjoy Catered Breakfast for 16**

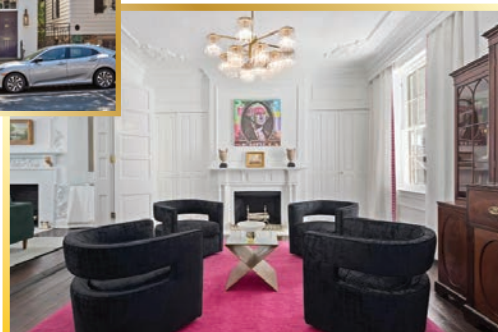
Indulge in a one-night stay for 16 people at the impeccably remodeled The George of Old Town, an extraordinary historic property once owned by George Washington. Travel back in time and experience Mount Vernon-esque colonial charm with a modern twist. This stunning gem, located in Old Town Alexandria, has eight gorgeous bedrooms, and nine baths and accommodates up to 16 people. Perfect for a couples' retreat or a girls' getaway... Spend the evening

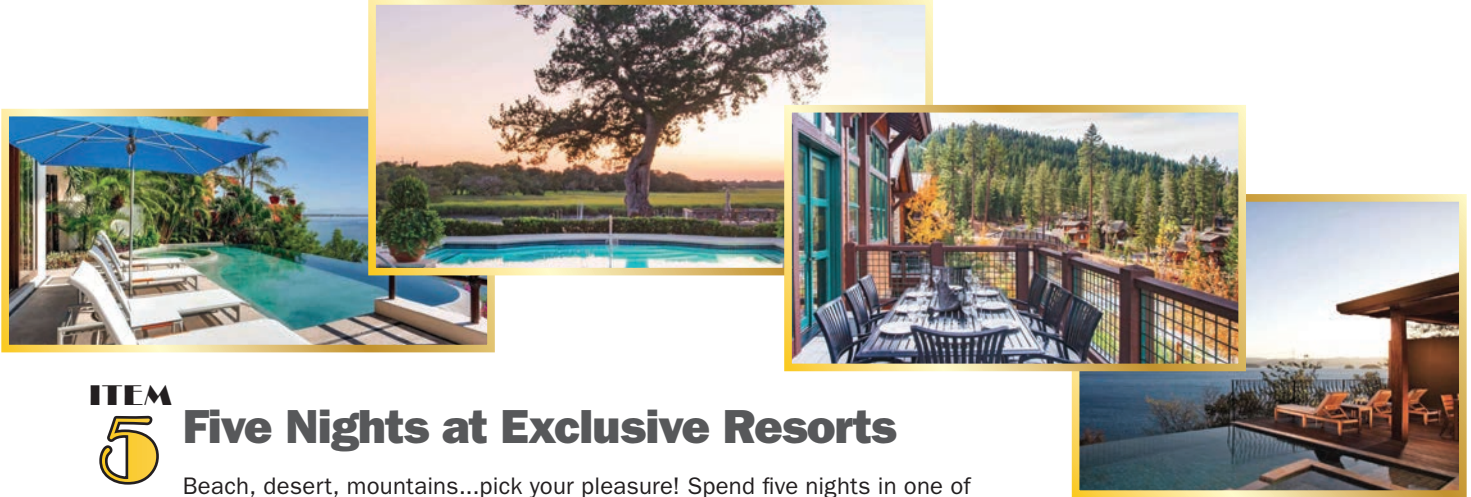
enjoying all that King Street has to offer in fine dining and fun, retire to your private luxury accommodations, and then enjoy breakfast as a group the following morning in the must-see kitchen, served by Well Dunn Catering. Breakfast includes asparagus frittata, quiche lorraine, and much more.

*Restrictions: Mutually agreeable date. Weekdays only.*

**Donor: The George of Old Town and Well Dunn Catering**

*Value: \$6,700*





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## Five Nights at Exclusive Resorts

Beach, desert, mountains...pick your pleasure! Spend five nights in one of Exclusive Resorts' exquisitely appointed residences, located in one of eight flagship destinations ranging from the slopes of Lake Tahoe and the shores of Grand Cayman to the beaches of Los Cabos and the 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 your favorite foods and hiring a private chef to booking tee times and creating custom itineraries – ensuring you a relaxing and luxurious vacation.

Winner may choose from the following locations:

- Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands
- Lake Tahoe, California
- Los Cabos, Mexico
- Peninsula Papagayo, Costa Rica
- Real Del Mar, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
- Scottsdale, Arizona
- Sea Island, Georgia
- Steamboat Springs, Colorado

*Restrictions: Residence must be booked within 90 days of the last night it will be used. Reservations are subject to availability. Additional nights may be available at winner's expense.*

*Vacation will consist of one consecutive five-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 be booked within 90 days of checkout. Travel must occur by February 28, 2021, and will be forfeited if not completed by this date; blackout dates apply (including but not limited to the seven-day periods surrounding holiday weeks). Additional nights in the residence may be available. Contact Exclusive Resorts for more information.*

*Eligible Gateway Escape destinations include Los Cabos, Mexico; Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands; Peninsula Papagayo, Costa Rica; Real del Mar, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico; Sea Island, Georgia; Scottsdale, Arizona, Steamboat Springs, Colorado; and Lake Tahoe, California. Eligible destinations are subject to change. Reservations for specific dates, residences, and destinations are subject to availability. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses, including but not limited to meals and drinks, phone calls, government fees, transfers, insurance, any taxes, and optional activities such as golf or spa treatments, are the sole responsibility of traveler. Winning bidder and his/her guests shall not be permitted to bring pets or other animals in or around any Exclusive Resorts Club Property with the exception of service animals for persons with disabilities as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended.*

*Blackout dates for this donation travel periods are Spring Break: 3/15/20 – 4/12/20, July 4th: 6/28/20 – 7/5/20, Thanksgiving: 11/22/20 – 11/29/20, Christmas: 12/20/20 – 12/27/20, New Year: 12/27/20 – 1/3/21, Presidents Week: 2/14/21 – 2/21/21. Air and ground transportation to and from destination and all other expenses are the sole responsibility of traveler.*

**Donors: Exclusive Resorts and The A. Norton Family**

Value: \$10,000



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## 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 31, 2020, through March 12, 2021. Parking space may not be used by a Potomac student.

**Donor: The Potomac School**

*Value: Priceless*

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## Five-Night Private Villa Getaway at Four Seasons Resort Anguilla

Paradise awaits! The winning bidder of this fantastic package will enjoy a five-night stay in a gorgeous ocean view, four-bedroom, five-bathroom private villa at the 35-acre luxury beachfront Four Seasons Resort Anguilla. Set on Anguilla's beautiful northwest shore, a first-class experience awaits.

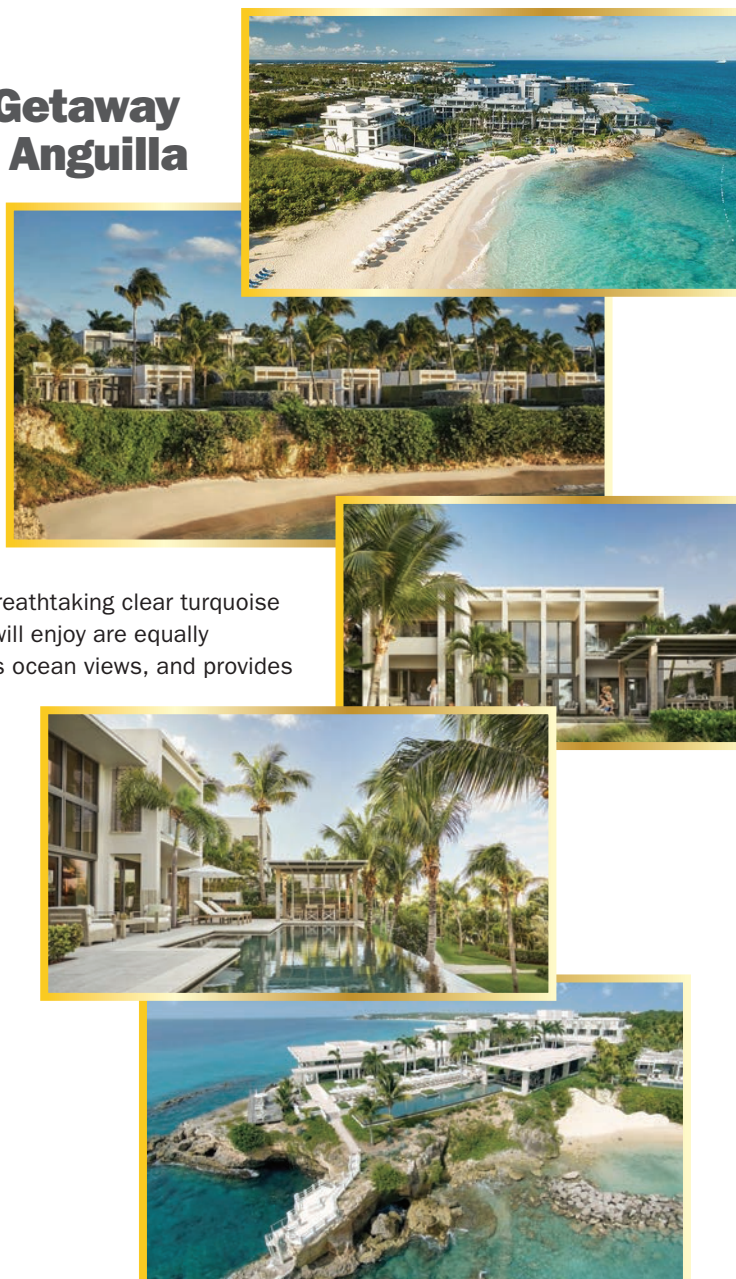
Relax in your own private infinity pool, explore the countless amenities the resort has to offer in your villa's golf cart, and let your butler arrange a fishing excursion or fantastic evening out!

Anguilla has been called "tranquility wrapped in blue," a reference to its 33 pristine white-sand beaches and breathtaking clear turquoise waters. The resort and the villa that the winning bidder will enjoy are equally stunning. The two-story villa accommodates eight, offers ocean views, and provides convenient access to Barnes Bay Beach, as well as to the resort's wonderful restaurants and recreation amenities.

*Restrictions: Reservations are subject to availability during the period April 15, 2020 to April 30, 2021. Other restrictions may apply, such as blackout dates during peak periods (including November 22-29, 2020; December 20-31, 2020; February 12-15, 2021; and March 15-April 4, 2021). Valid April 15, 2020, to April 30, 2021. Package is non-transferable and has no cash value. Please present original certificate at check-in at the hotel.*

**Donor: Starwood Capital Group and Jen and Chris Graham**

*Value: \$25,000*



## ITEM

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## Fund a Scholar

Our students and teachers are Potomac's most valuable assets. Help us continue to recruit and retain the best students and faculty 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 supports our student 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!**



Your 100% tax-deductible gift will have a tremendous positive impact on Potomac's students, faculty, and staff. Below are a few examples of how your support can make a difference:

#### \$20,000

- Approximately half of one 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 one year's tuition

#### \$5,000

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

#### \$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 Teachers College Writing Workshop, a five-day course in New York City; all Lower School and several 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 techniques in the classroom
- Cost to support August Academics for one student

#### \$250

- Approximate cost to support Wacky Wednesday for one student

#### \$150

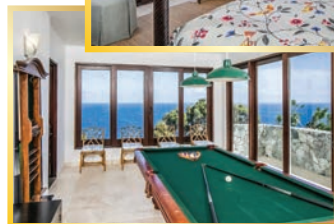
- Approximate cost to fund one student and their date to prom

#### \$50

- Cost for one teacher to attend a local conference for educators

If you are unable to attend the auction, you may make your Fund a Scholar donation online at [potomacschool.ejoinme.org/auctionrsvp2020](http://potomacschool.ejoinme.org/auctionrsvp2020)

*With your help, we can achieve new levels of support for our outstanding students and teachers!*



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## One-Week Stay in Luxury Villa on Beautiful St. John

Spend a week at Finisterre, a six-bedroom, six-bath luxury villa on beautiful St. John, USVI!

“Finisterre” comes from the Latin phrase “finis terrae,” meaning “end of the earth,” and upon your arrival at this sprawling home, the inspiration for this moniker becomes immediately apparent. The private Bahamian-style villa accommodates 12 guests and commands sweeping, unobstructed views of the brilliant blues of Hart Bay and Rendezvous Bay with the wild, windswept Ram Head point in the distance. The property features Latin-themed bedrooms, each with its own ocean view, and a large pool with a submerged ledge. Pick your perch and take in the views, watching for whales in the ocean below, or retreat to the gym, cinema, or game room. The shops and pubs of Cruz Bay are a five minute walk from the property, and the pristine St. John beaches are a 15-minute drive away. Amenities include a pool, hot tub, BBQ grill, gym, media room, game room with pool table, wine storage, and dining room with nanowall for dining al fresco. Wifi, cable TV, air conditioning throughout, security cameras, and washer and dryer are also included. Add-on services include driver, car rental, spa services, and much more.

*Restrictions: Winning bidder can select any Saturday-to-Saturday week over the next 24 months that is available on booking website [www.finisterrestjohn.com](http://www.finisterrestjohn.com); the following dates are excluded: Thanksgiving week, December 15-January 5, and all dates in March. Airfare not included but local USVI villa tax is included.*

**Donor: Anne Coolidge Taylor**

Value: \$25,000

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## 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!

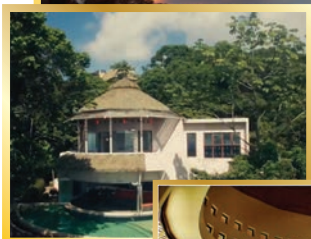
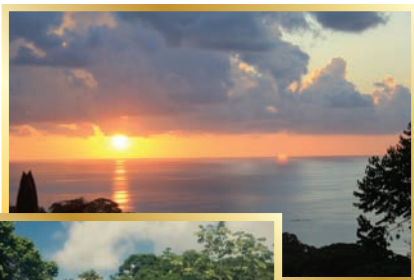
Enjoy an all-inclusive dinner party for 30 guests, prepared by Bootheel Catering, while tapping your toes to live bluegrass music performed by the Shedkickers, featuring IS science teacher and Potomac grad Bill Hoffmann and his brother, Potomac grad, parent, and former staff member Bern Hoffmann! The 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 also included. While guests dine, the Shedkickers will play two 50-minute sets of amazing bluegrass music.

*Restrictions: 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](http://shedkickers.com). Expires February 28, 2021.*

**Donors: David Newton, Bootheel Catering, and the Shedkickers**

Value: \$4,300





## ITEM 11

### Costa Rica One-Week Adventure

Casa Atardecer is about 200 meters above, and ¼ mile inland from, the Pacific Ocean. Facing to the west, it offers breathtaking ocean vistas and dramatic sunsets. During the day, the trees surrounding the casa are visited by toucans, aracarís, and other tropical birds – sometimes even sloths and monkeys. In the mornings your wake-up call will be provided by howler monkeys in the nearby forest.

Casa Atardecer has four bedrooms (three in the main building and one in a private apartment above the two-car garage) and comfortably sleeps four couples.

Floor-to-ceiling windows in the living room and master suite open on rails so that you are literally both indoors and outdoors at the same time. From the living room, you can swim into the infinity pool! This wonderful property offers all the comforts of home – and more – in a beautiful, exotic location.!

*Restrictions: Available on a mutually agreeable date between May 30, 2020 and October 10, 2020 (excluding June 27-July 11)*

**Donor: Bruce Baird**  
Value: \$6,000

## ITEM 12

### Exclusive Access in The Big Apple!

**Dinner and Wine Pairing for Four at the Members-Only WS New York in Hudson Yards**

Located in the heart of New York's newest neighborhood, Hudson Yards, WS New York offers unparalleled access to the finest wine and spirits, world-class dining, and one-of-a-kind cultural events. Members and their guests will find a new home for inventive pairings and insider perspective on rarified worlds.

Exceptional culinary offerings from Chef Eli Kaimeh, formerly of PerSe and Gramercy Tavern, reflect a broad spectrum of upscale casual and fine dining options where contemporary American fare meets an elevated focus on the world of wine and spirits. Take advantage of this opportunity to experience a unique venue destined to become one of the most coveted private clubs and restaurants in New York.

*Restrictions: Does not include gratuities or tax. Contact donor to make arrangements.*

**Donors: Melissa and Jason Twomey**  
Value: \$2,750





## ITEM **13** Fabulous Five-Night LA Experience

You'll be starstruck in Tinseltown with this amazing LaLaLand package! The winning bidder will enjoy a five-night stay for up to eight guests in two Skyline Guestrooms at Hollywood's newest showstopper, 1 Hotel West Hollywood. Located on the iconic Sunset Strip, 1 Hotel West Hollywood is ideally situated for exploring Hollywood and nearby Beverly Hills. The hotel draws inspiration from the land, sea, and abundant sunshine of Southern California, and the rooftop pool delights with panoramic views stretching from downtown to Santa Monica. As if that were not enough, 1 Hotel West Hollywood was recently featured in Conde Nast Traveler's 2019 Readers' Choice Awards as the fourth-best hotel in the world and the second-best in the US!

The celebrity treatment won't stop there... Dinner for four awaits you in the iconic Polo Lounge! Once described as "Hollywood's commissary," The Polo Lounge has a fabled history and is known as THE place to see and be seen. The epicenter of LA power dining has been a favorite spot for generations of stars and Hollywood deal makers.

You will feel like you're starring in your very own Foodie Feature Film with an evening for four at The Bazaar! A meal here is nothing short of an extraordinary sensory experience, combining the ground-breaking culinary

artistry of Michelin-starred chef José Andrés and his ThinkFoodGroup team with a fantastical environment created by visionary designer Philippe Starck. The Bazaar consistently wows its guests with ingeniously innovative cuisine, thoughtfully created cocktails, theatrical presentations, and attentive yet unfussy service. You don't want to miss out on either one of these once-in-a-lifetime dining experiences!

This package includes

- a stay for up to eight guests in two Skyline Guestrooms for five-nights at 1 Hotel West Hollywood
- dinner for four in the Polo Lounge at the Beverly Hills Hotel
- dinner for four at The Bazaar by José Andrés in the SLS Beverly Hills

*Restrictions: Expires March 31, 2021. Kindly note that a reservation is required and subject to blackout dates and availability. The certificate may not be combined with other offers, has no cash value, is non-transferable, and cannot be replaced if lost or stolen.*

**Donors: Starwood Capital Group, Jen and Chris Graham, The Beverly Hills Hotel, Think Food Group**

Value: \$7,000

ITEM

14

## ESPN's Sunday Night Major League Baseball Your Way with ARod

A once-in-a-lifetime experience for the true baseball fan! The winning bidder will select any ESPN Sunday Night Major League Baseball Game to attend with three friends. Prior to the game, you and your friends will enjoy a fabulous private lunch with Alex Rodriguez, who will be the announcer for the evening's game! An amazing opportunity to root, root, root for your favorite MLB team and meet a true baseball legend.

Package includes a lunch for four with Alex Rodriguez and four tickets to any Sunday Night Major League Baseball Game.

You may know Alex Rodriguez as

- three-time MVP
- 14-time All Star
- World Series Champ
- FoxSports Commentator/Analyst
- CEO of Arod Corp

*Restrictions: Games between June 12-28 are not available. Mutually agreeable date selected from ESPN's 2020 Sunday Night Baseball schedule. Transportation not included.*

**Donor: Arod Corp, ESPN, and Jen and Chris Graham**

**Value: Priceless**



ITEM  
15

## Choose Your Own Adventure

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 14 Hilton branded hotels, including but not limited to Hilton Hotels and Resorts, Waldorf Astoria Hotels and Resorts, Conrad Hotels and Resorts, and Curio Collection. The certificates can be used in combination for a 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.

*Restrictions: The certificates expire on March 1, 2021. Cannot be used on New Year's Eve. Valid for five nights standard room and tax only. Does not include resort fees, incidentals, or parking charges. Certificates must be presented at check-in.*

**Donor: Hilton Worldwide**

**Value: Winner's Choice!**



ITEM

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## Dinner for 20 on Potomac's Campus or in Your Home, Catered by Susan Gage

The winning bidder will enjoy a delicious dinner for 20 guests, catered by local favorite Susan Gage and served in their home or on Potomac's campus (venues could include, for example, the Science Deck, Ramsey Assembly Room, the Upper School Crossroads, or the IS Commons).

*Restrictions: Alcoholic beverages, tax, and gratuity not included. Event date must be mutually agreeable to Susan Gage and The Potomac School (if the dinner is held on campus).*

**Donors: Susan Gage Catering and The Potomac School**

**Value: \$6,000**



**ITEM  
17**

## Rock the Red: Ultimate Caps Fan Package

If you're a fan of the 2018 Stanley Cup Champion Washington Capitals, this extraordinary ALL CAPS experience is for you!

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

- 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 March 26, 2020 (seats are located in the Capital One Arena's lower bowl)
- meet-and-greet with TJ Oshie and Nicklas Backstrom following the game

**Donor: Liza Berg and Nicklas Backstrom and  
Lauren and TJ Oshie**

**Value: Priceless**



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## Front-Row Seats for Potomac's 2020 Graduation Ceremony

with Reserved Parking



One lucky family will win four front-row seats, reserved in their name, for the 2020 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 is also included.

**Donor: The Potomac School**  
Value: Priceless

## Four Front-Row Seats to a Halloween or Holiday Divisional Assembly

with Reserved Parking



Imagine not having to scramble to find seats for your child's big assembly! The winning bidder will receive four reserved seats for their choice of one of the following assemblies during the 2020–21 school year: LS Halloween, MS Halloween, LS Holiday, MS Holiday, IS Holiday, or US Winter Lights. A reserved parking space is also included.

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

**Donor: The Potomac School**  
Value: Priceless

## National Geographic Television Junior Executives

Adventure and excitement await! Your child and seven of their friends (Potomac Middle, Intermediate, or Upper School students) will become junior executives at National Geographic! The students will have exclusive access to learn about show concept development, scheduling, marketing, and more. They will meet the people behind *National Geographic Magazine*, as well as National Geographic's famed Instagram account that has more than 129 million followers! The students will also enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of National Geographic, including the archives. Before departing, they will have lunch with the president of National Geographic Television Networks and receive a bag of goodies to take home. Perfect for your Nat Geo fan's birthday party or as a group experience for friends!



*Restrictions: Duration is three hours, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Please disclose food allergies for all students prior to the visit. Please note age restrictions. Limited to Middle, Intermediate, and Upper School students. Expires September 2020.*

**Donor: Courteney Monroe and National Geographic**  
Value: Priceless



## Fulfill Your Fast and Furious Fantasy with a Ferrari for a Weekend!

See where the road takes you... Enjoy total access to a luxury Ferrari Portofino for three days and two nights. The Ferrari Portofino is the V8 GT set to dominate its segment, thanks to a perfect combination of sportiness, elegance, and onboard comfort. You're sure to be noticed wherever you go!

*Restrictions: Scheduling is based upon a mutually agreeable date. Must be 24 years of age with a valid driver's license and insurance. Limited to 150 miles per day. Experience expires December 31, 2020.*

**Donor: Ferrari of Washington**  
Value: \$6,000

## Be a Legend at The Palm!

**Have Your Caricature Memorialized on the Wall of The Palm Restaurant in Tysons Corner**



You know you've arrived when your caricature is on the wall of The Palm Restaurant! Take this unique opportunity to join the who's who on the wall of fame. Your caricature is sure to be a fabulous conversation starter every time you dine at The Palm Restaurant in Tysons Corner.

When Pio Bozzi and John Ganzi opened The Palm in 1926, they had no money to decorate. Luckily, their location on Manhattan's Second Avenue was in close proximity to the headquarters of King Features Syndicate and attracted a large clientele of cartoonists. In exchange for their meals, artists would often draw their own creations on the walls of The Palm. Since then, the flagship Palm - as well as all of The Palm locations - has become a living museum of cartoons and caricatures, featuring such famous faces as Popeye, Batman, Beetle Bailey, Hagar the Horrible, and characters from "The Family Circus."

*Restrictions: Placement of caricature determined by The Palm*

**Donor: The Palm Restaurant, Tysons Corner**  
Value: Priceless

## Break Out of Your Cage!

**Mixed Martial Arts/Self Defense Seminar for Eight with famed UFC referee Fernando Yamasaki**

Put up your dukes and get ready to learn how to fight like a pro! Fernando Yamasaki is a versatile martial artist with black belts in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu (IBJJF), Judo (CBJ), and Ju-Jitsu (JJIF). His experiences range from refereeing in the UFC and competing all over the world to instructing SWAT teams and serving as a personal bodyguard to celebrities like Britney Spears. This famous UFC referee will lead a two-hour private MMA/Self Defense Seminar for eight. Perfect for the ultimate girls night, kids birthday party, or guys get together! An event sure to leave you feeling empowered!



*Restrictions: Event to be held at Yamasaki Academy in Rockville, Maryland, on a mutually agreeable date.*

**Donor: Yamasaki Academy and Jonathan Seigel**  
Value: Priceless

## Allman Brothers Experience

The lucky winner of this package and three friends will enjoy tickets to the sold-out Allman Brothers 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary show! After the concert, the group will head backstage with Friends and Family passes and attend a reception.



The Brothers – *Celebrating 50 Years of the Music of The Allman Brothers Band* will perform at Madison Square Garden in New York City for one night only on March 10, 2020. The Brothers – Jaimoe, Warren Haynes, Derek Trucks, Oteil Burbridge, Marc Quinones – will be joined by Duane Trucks and Reese Wynans and special guest Chuck Leavell. This one-time concert event, produced by Live Nation, will be a celebration of The Allman Brothers Band's illustrious career. It marks the first time in more than five years that these legendary players will be together on stage to perform their iconic hits, and the first time since the passing of founding members Gregg Allman and Butch Trucks. It will undoubtedly be emotionally charged, an unforgettable night not to be missed!

*Restrictions: Tickets are located in the Friends and Family Section of Madison Square Garden and cannot be changed.*

**Donor: Dina Mackney**  
Value: Priceless

## Redskin for a Day!



Have you ever dreamed of being a professional football player? Here's your chance... Two children and an accompanying adult will enjoy the experience of a lifetime with this incredible package! Your adventure begins with a night's stay at the Redskins'

official team hotel in Richmond, VA. Wake up and eat your Wheaties, because it's time to attend Washington Redskins training camp at Bon Secours with VIP access. This includes VIP seating/viewing of practice, refreshments, meet-and-greet with players, autograph signing, and a chance to run some drills on the practice field. This is sure to be a winning memory for any football fan!

*Restrictions: Camp will be held at the end of July or in August; date to be determined when camp schedule is released.*

**Donor: Liz and Alex Smith and The Washington Redskins**  
Value: Priceless

## Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards



Celebrities & Slime – what more could a kid want?! Win a pair of tickets to one of the world's premiere awards shows aimed at young people – the Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards.

The Kids' Choice Awards honor the year's top talent

and achievements in television, film, music, and more, as voted by kids. You and your guest will attend the gala event in Los Angeles on March 22, 2020, where the hottest entertainment stars will take home orange blimps (aka trophies) in categories including Best Female/Male Actor, Best Superhero, Favorite Funny Movie, Favorite TV Host, Favorite Breakout Music Artist, and Favorite Social Media Star. Guests can expect plenty of musical performances...and plenty of signature green slime!

**Donor: Nickelodeon**  
Value: \$1,000

## One-Year Family Membership to the St. James

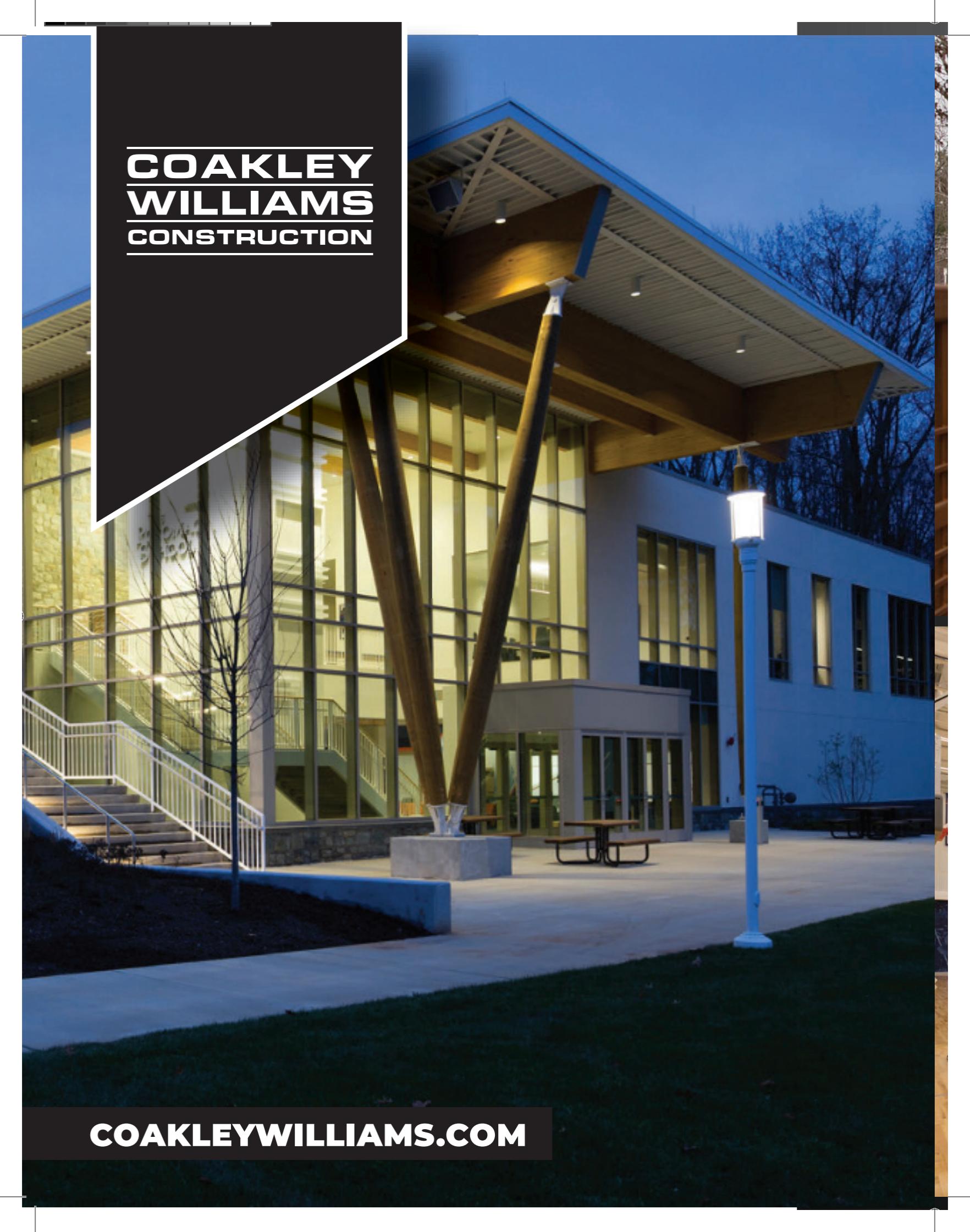


The St. James is more than just a gym – it's an experience! The DMV's answer to family fitness of the future provides fine dining, a spa, a water park, climbing courses, shopping, and every sport imaginable, all under one roof. At 450,000 square feet, the complex houses sports, lifestyle, and wellness activities for the entire family. Members enjoy a range of benefits, including exclusive 24/7 access to the 50,000-square-foot premium health club with state-of-the-art fitness equipment and member lounge space.

When you become a member of The St. James, you receive preferred pricing on sports registration, spa services, retail purchases, and at the active entertainment center. Membership benefits include 24/7 health club access, high performance training center, 100+ group fitness classes offered each week, access to an Olympic-size swimming pool and water park, free member times in active entertainment center, rock wall, and ice rink.

Membership also includes three hours of complementary childcare per day; 10% off purchases at the spa, restaurant, and retail boutique; 20% discount on sports program registration; members'-only special events and promotions; and discounted rates for golf simulators, squash courts, and batting cages.

**Donors: Hilary and Craig Dixon**  
Value: \$5,000



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## Tulips, Canals, Windmills, and History Await!

**Luxury Accommodations at The Dylan Hotel in  
Amsterdam**



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

Enjoy two interconnecting rooms in this five-star boutique hotel, voted the Netherlands' Leading Hotel by the World Travel Awards. Located in an exceptional 17<sup>th</sup>-century landmark on the Keizersgracht, 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 and daily breakfast and High Wine for two; city tax is also included. Dates subject to availability. Expires December 31, 2020. Includes three nights/four days in 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: \$4,000

## Best Seats in the Park!

**Two Front-Row, Behind-the-Plate Tickets to a  
Washington Nationals Game**

Watch our World Series-winning Washington Nationals from the best seats in the park! Sitting directly behind home plate, you're sure to be spotted on TV by all your friends. This package consists of two 2020 Washington Nationals regular season tickets in the Delta Sky Club, row A, section C, seats 5 and 6. These tickets include one parking pass in the stadium garage and an all-you-can-eat buffet dinner for two in the Delta Club restaurant. There, you can watch the players during pre-game batting practice and observe post-game news conferences. Beer and wine are also included, along with waiter service at your seats during the game. These tickets are sure to be home run for any Washington Nationals fans!



*Restrictions: In early April 2020, the winner of this item will be provided six possible dates to choose from. Donor does not have access to these tickets for alternate dates.*

**Donor: Sylvia Garfinkle and Kevin Huff**

Value: Priceless



## Come Fly with Me!

**A Private Flight on the Iconic WWII P-51 Mustang Fighter Aircraft**



Calling all WWII and aviation enthusiasts! Buckle up for the flight of a lifetime... This experience includes a full briefing, walk-around, and one-hour flight in one of the most important aircraft of WWII. Powered by a Rolls Royce 1495-horsepower Merlin engine and based at the Manassas Airport in Virginia, this P-51 is right off the factory floor, identical to how it would have been delivered to the US Army Air Corps in 1943, and maintained and flown by a single owner-operator. With only about 15,000 P-51s built, this aircraft is a true original. Winner will participate in strafing runs over the rural Virginia countryside and their choice of aerobatics, including loops, rolls, split-S, and other approved maneuvers for the P-51.

The Mustang was the first single-engine plane based in Britain to penetrate Germany; first to reach Berlin: first to go with the heavy bombers over the Ploiesti oil fields in Romania; and first to make a major-scale, all-fighter sweep specifically to hunt down the dwindling Luftwaffe. One of the highest honors accorded to the Mustang was its rating in 1944 by the Truman Senate War Investigating Committee as "the most aerodynamically perfect pursuit plane in existence."

The aircraft is owned by Pamela Marie, LLC, and flown by Andrew McKenna. Mr. McKenna maintains his Commercial Instrument and Multi Engine rating along with his Level I surface waiver for formation and solo aerobatics in his P-51 Mustang and North American T-6 Texan. Mr. McKenna has accumulated over 3,000 hours of total time with more than 1,000 hrs in the P-51 and 600+ hours in the T-6, performing at airshows and events up and down the East Coast. He has performed at over 100 aerial events since 2009, including many as a volunteer at Arlington National Cemetery in his P-51 for fallen airmen. McKenna is also a civilian member of the elite Air Force Heritage Flight Foundation, where the active-duty USAF planes fly in formation with the older generation front line fighters at airshows and events around the globe.

*Restrictions: This hour-long flight is contingent upon weather and schedule availability and can be coordinated directly with Mr. McKenna. The base operation for the flight will be at the Manassas Airport (KHEF).*

*Certain mobility and weight restrictions may apply, those weighing over 250 lbs or taller than 6'5" may not be able to fit and/or participate due to the limited seating space of the aircraft, or these conditions may restrict the aerobatic demonstration. This will be determined at the discretion of Andrew McKenna.*

**Donors: Andrew McKenna and Pamela Marie, LLC**

*Value: Priceless*

## A Day in the Life of a Pro Gamer!

Ever wondered what life would be like as a pro gamer? Come see firsthand what it's like to turn your passion into a profession! You and a guest will visit The Alienware



Training Facility in Santa Monica for an exclusive hangout and fan experience with one of the world's most successful esports franchises: Team Liquid (Netflix's *7 Days Out*, HBO's *Ballers*). The winner will receive a facility tour, feast alongside League of Legends pros and Liquid staff on a lunch prepared by the team's in-house chef, and listen in on a match review session between players and coach. The team's photographer will be on hand throughout to capture the priceless memories.

The package also includes

- official Team Liquid 2020 jersey, autographed by its entire Spring League Championship Series roster, including World-Champion Jo "CoreJJ" Yong-in and North America's winningest LoL player, Yiliang Peter "Doublelift" Peng
- products from Mobalytics – the ultimate gaming assistant – to level up your League of Legends game and help you continue on your "path to pro" back at home

*Restrictions: Limited to winner plus three guests. Visit to be scheduled for Tuesday–Friday, January–March or June–August. Some restrictions apply. Airfare not included.*

**Donor: Kristin Jensen and Mina Faltas '96, and eSports/Team Liquid**

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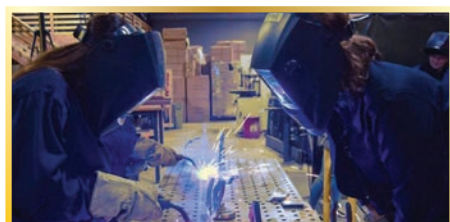
### PBS Newshour Tour for Four

Go behind the scenes of the *PBS Newshour* with a tour of the production studio and watch a live taping of the broadcast from the control room. Meet with Potomac School alum Morgan Tui, senior producer of foreign affairs.

*Restrictions: Event to be scheduled on a weekday from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Limited to four guests.*

**Donor: PBS Newshour**

Value: Priceless



### Wine and Welding Party for Six

Let the wine and your creative juices flow! You and five friends will learn how to weld at Building Momentum in Alexandria. Spend four hours learning to weld while enjoying a wine tasting. By the end of your adventure, you will have created your very own wine rack.

*Restrictions: Winning bidder must be 21 or over. Contact donor for a mutually agreeable date.*

**Donor: Christine and Tom Labrecque and Building Momentum**

Value: \$750



### Arabian Nights for up to 30 People

Mystery and intrigue await! Get the ladies, guys, and/or your favorite couples together and head to Lebanese Taverna for an Arabian Nights adventure. Feast on heavy hors d'oeuvres while you and your guests are captivated by a belly dancer's performance. Lebanese wine and beer will also be provided, all served in your private room.

*Restrictions: Event will take place at Tysons Galleria location. Available Sunday through Thursday in the Pomegranate Room. Original certificate must be presented at time of event; certificate is not redeemable for cash and is for one-time use. Tax and gratuity not included.*

**Donor: Lebanese Taverna**

Value: \$1,500



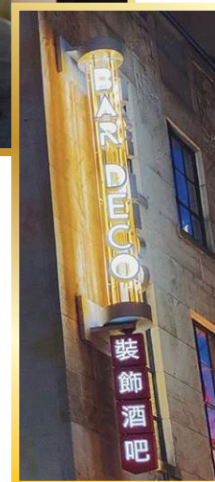
## Throw a Party at Bar Deco

Host your own private event at Bar Deco, across the street from the Capital One Arena in Penn Quarter! Bar Deco is the perfect spot to get together before a Caps game or any concert and would be ideal for an adult birthday party or your favorite team's "big game." Bar Deco combines inspiration from the art deco period and America's industrial roots to create a fun and hip vibe. The Bar Deco team is committed to bringing simple food and drink to the next level by mixing traditional preparation with globally inspired flavors. Package includes a private area with multiple TV views, a \$1,000 food credit, and a bar tab credit for up to \$750.

*Restrictions: Event to be held on a mutually agreeable date.*

**Donors: Landini Brothers and Jen and Chris Graham**

**Value: \$2,000**



## Earring Envy Workshop with JJ Singh



Wine and design! You and four guests are invited to spend an evening designing and making your own fine silver earrings using Precious Metal Clay (PMC). PMC can be worked just like pottery clay (rolled, cut, textured) and, after firing in a kiln, it becomes 100 percent fine silver. Local jeweler and metalsmith JJ Singh will guide you through the process in her Great Falls studio. All materials are included for up to five guests.

*Restrictions: Event to be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.*

**Donor: JJ Singh**

**Value: \$600**

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## DINING

### 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.*

**Donors: Don Roden and The Organic Butcher**

**Value: \$2,500**





## Host an Elegant Event with Windows Catering

Celebrating an occasion or looking for an excuse to have friends over? Windows, one of the premier caterers in the DC area, is pleased to offer a drop-off order valued up to \$500. View their brochure for a wide array of delicious, delectable options. Package includes tax and delivery.

*Restrictions: Additional items may be added at the winner's expense. Contact donor for a mutually agreeable date. Not available in June or December.*

**Donors: Julie and Andrew Gerstel, Carol and Henry Dinardo, and Windows Catering Company**  
Value: \$500

## Enjoy a Special Evening Out or a Party at Home with a Gift Certificate from Assaggi Osteria

Enjoy a \$1,000 gift card from this neighborhood staple! Located in the heart of McLean Square, Assaggi Osteria is a go-to destination for upscale, regional Italian cuisine. Adjacent to the refined osteria, Assaggi Pizzeria offers Neapolitan pizzas and small plates in a casual, modern setting. Both concepts offer a full bar with an extensive selection of Italian wines, as well as beer and cocktails.

*Restrictions: Expires May 13, 2020. Package may not be combined with any other offer.*

**Donor: Assaggi Osteria**  
Value: \$1,000

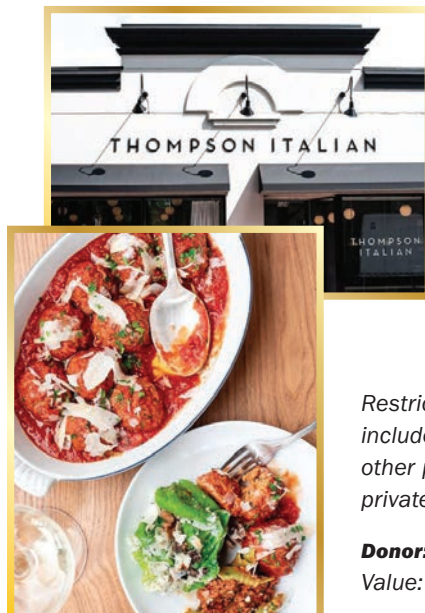


## Tasting for Four with Wine Pairing at Thompson Italian Restaurant

Enjoy a chef's tasting menu for four with wine pairings at sought-after Thompson Italian Restaurant in Falls Church. You can expect fresh pasta and inventive seasonal dishes at the new and ever-so-popular local restaurant opened by seasoned veterans Gabe and Katherine Thompson. *Washington Post* food critic Tom Sietsema says, "Thompson Italian leaves me conflicted. As much as I'd like to keep it my secret for longer, the right thing to do is to write up the place, for more people to enjoy. Falls Church, make way for the rest of us, per favore." Sounds like the secret is out!

*Restrictions: Event to be scheduled Sunday through Thursday from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Gratuity not included. Dinner will take place in the main dining room. Package cannot be combined with any other promotional offer or certificate, is not redeemable for cash or refund, and is not valid for private parties or carry-out orders. Expires December 31, 2020.*

**Donor: Thompson Italian Restaurant**  
Value: \$500



## GETAWAYS

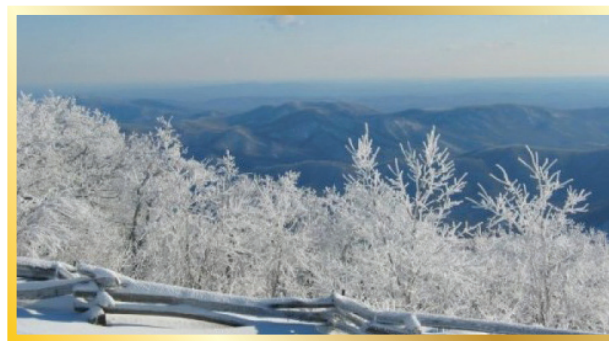
### Weekend at a Beautiful Wintergreen Slope-Side Two-Bedroom Condo

Enjoy a weekend (winter or summer) at Wintergreen in a newly-renovated slope-side two-bedroom, two-and-a-half bath condo that accommodates four. When the world outside is white, you can ski in/ski out. When the world outside is green, hiking and relaxing are the order of the day. Guests will enjoy access to all Wintergreen amenities, including fitness center and outdoor pools.

*Restrictions: Event to be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date. Contact donor to book by September 1, 2020. No pets; no smoking.*

**Donor: Lisa Roeder**

Value: \$900



### Two-Night Stay at Goodstone Inn

Goodstone Inn & Restaurant is situated on 265 unspoiled acres of Virginia's hunt and wine country in Middleburg. Four couples will enjoy a two-night stay in the inn's Manor House, with stunning views of Goodstone's beautiful gardens and the rolling hills of Virginia. The stay includes full country breakfast at the Carriage House both mornings.

While at Goodstone, enjoy the beautiful pool, hike the inn's five miles of trails, take a spin on the inn's mountain bikes, canoe on Goose Creek, go horseback riding at a nearby stable, enjoy the spa, visit the area's wineries, or shop at Middleburg's boutiques.

*Restrictions: Package accommodates eight guests. Reservations are subject to availability. Does not include holidays, sales and occupancy taxes, gratuities, and any expense of a personal nature.*

**Donors: Won Kim and Mu Hong, Shelley Slade Betts and Mark Betts, and Goodstone Inn & Restaurant**

Value: \$2,300



## 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](http://www.facebook.com/groups/admiralscottage)

*Restrictions: Available any time of year for mutually agreed-upon dates. Expires March 1, 2021.*

**Donor: Lily Gunn**

Value: \$3,000



## One-Week Stay on Amelia Island

Enjoy a one-week getaway in a beautiful 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, and a short drive or bike ride to downtown Fernandina Beach, this peaceful cottage offers limitless possibilities! .

*Restrictions: Based on availability for a Saturday-to-Saturday stay during peak spring and summer months. Maximum four guests; pets may be able to accompany guests with permission. Airfare or ground transportation to Florida not included.*

**Donors: Jill DeTemple and Gordon O'Brien**

Value: \$1,500

## Weekend at a Cozy Three-Bedroom, Two-Bath Waterfront Cottage in the Northern Neck

Enjoy a rejuvenating and recharging summer or fall weekend in Heathsville, Virginia, in a newly renovated waterfront three-bedroom, two-bath cottage that accommodates eight. The cottage has three full-sized beds and two twin beds.

Located just 2.5 hours from DC, this tranquil waterfront cottage has amazing, expansive views of the calming Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay. Reconnect with your family, show your kids how to have fun without technology, or just relax in solitude. All your stress will melt away as you enjoy waterfront views, a hammock under trees, or a glass of wine by the outdoor fire pit – all while listening to the gentle sound of the waves. Cottage amenities include new paddle boards, kayak, crabbing equipment, Keurig coffee machine, instapot, full kitchen, board games, WiFi, TV, home security system, and private boardwalk.

*Restrictions: Stay must occur between June 1, 2020, and October 31, 2020. No pets; no smoking. Cottage will be professionally cleaned prior to arrival; winning bidder to pay post-stay cleaning fee of \$150.*

**Donors: Kalpna and Raj Bansal**

Value: \$1,000



## SPORTS

### Signed Memorabilia by

- Ryan Zimmerman
- Braden Holtby
- Tiger Woods
- Arnold Palmer
- Abby Wambach
- Alex Smith
- Nick Backstrom
- TJ Oshie
- Alex Rodriguez
- Steven Birnbaum
- Paul Rabil



### Four Tickets to a Nationals Game

Calling all Nats fans: Enjoy four tickets to see the World Series champions play a Saturday or Sunday game of your choice! Seats are located in the PNC Diamond Club (fully catered with food, drink, and VIP parking included) in the sixth row behind home plate.

*Restrictions: Contact donors during summer 2020 to schedule.*

**Donors: Stacy and Dax Cummings**

Value: \$1,700

### Four Suite Tickets for the Washington Capitals vs. Toronto Maple Leaves on March 31

Watch the Stanley Cup-winning Capitals take on the Toronto Maple Leaves with three of your friends on March 31, 2020, at 7:00 pm from Suite 202 at the Capital One Arena. You will be joined in the suite by other patrons.

**Donor: Blank Rome, LLC**

Value: \$865



### Two Tickets To Washington Wizards vs New York Knicks on March 10

Calling all basketball fans! Don't miss this chance to experience the thrill of basketball from these two amazing floor seats. Watch the Wizards take on the New York Knicks on March 10, 2020, at 7:00 pm. Package includes food, VIP access to the Etihad Lounge, and a parking pass.

**Donors: Anjali and Arun Gupta**

Value: \$800

## Two Tickets To Capitals vs. Red Wings on March 12

Hey, Caps fans! The lucky winner of this package will enjoy two tickets to see the Stanley Cup-winning Washington Capitals take on the Detroit Red Wings on Thursday, March 12, 2020, at 7:00 pm. These seats are located in section 108, row N, seats 11 and 12.

**Donors: Lauren and Kevin Woodley**

Value: \$280



## Four Tickets to a Redskins Game

Hail to the Redskins, hail victory! Calling all Redskins fans: This is your chance to cheer on the Redskins from these amazing lower bowl seats. Parking pass included.

*Contact donor for a mutually agreeable date. Please note that night games are not available.*

**Donors: Liz and Alex Smith**

## DC United Package

Feel the Birn! Enjoy four tickets to a DC United match in May, as well as a meet-and-greet with defender Steven Birnbaum.

*Restrictions: Event to be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.*

**Donors: Jeanne and Steven Birnbaum and DC United**

Value: Priceless



## TREAT YOURSELF

### Murano Italian Glass and Mandarin Garnet Accents by Dina Mackney

This beautiful gold vermeil set featuring Murano Italian glass and Mandarin garnet accents on an enhancer and matching earrings is designed by renowned jewelry designer and Potomac parent Dina Mackney. Ms. Mackney's designs have been featured in *InStyle Magazine*, *O, The Oprah Magazine*, and *The Atlanta Journal Constitution*.

*Restrictions: No returns or exchanges.*

**Donor: Dina Mackney Designs**

Value: \$850



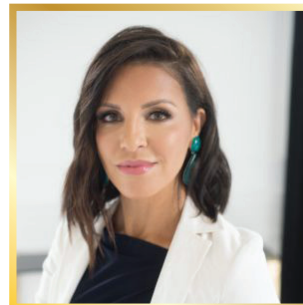
## CoolSculpting Package for Eight Areas

Bathing suit season is fast approaching – treat yourself to a CoolSculpting package for eight areas. CoolSculpting is a non-invasive, non-surgical fat reduction treatment. Commonly used on the belly, love handles, arms, and thighs, this technique employs cooling technology to freeze fat cells, reducing fat bulges by 25 percent with each treatment. There is no downtime, no anesthesia, no blood; it's so easy you can do it during your lunch break! Treatments are broken down by "area."

*Restrictions: Package available for new patients only. CoolSculpting is not recommended in areas where you recently have had surgery.*

**Donor: Dr. Lily Talakoub**

Value: \$4,400



## 20" Diamond-Cut 14K White Gold Chain with Oval Pave Diamond Pendant

Adorn yourself with this exquisite 20-inch diamond-cut 14K white gold chain with a .52 carat oval pave diamond pendant with floating halo accent.

**Donor: Boone & Sons**

Value: \$2,325

## Spa Day for Two at Courted at The St. James

Rejuvenate your mind, body, and spirit with a spa day for two at Courted at The St. James. Includes one aesthetic or massage treatment per person plus lunch at Vim & Victor. With a focus on self-renewal and a proactive approach to living well, Courted's expert staff educates, delivers results, and fosters relationships through every stage of its clients' lives. It's an oasis where you can reflect, change course, or simply gain a new perspective.

**Donors: Hilary and Craig Dixon**

Value: \$400



## Custom Ink or Watercolor Drawing of Your Home

Potomac parent and architect/artist Parinaz Bahadori will create a watercolor or pen-and-ink drawing of your home! You will receive a framed rendering, as well as an electronic version of the drawing that can be used creatively to make note cards.

**Donor: Parinaz Bahadori**

Value: \$500

# Fun with FACULTY

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 17, 2020, at noon and closes at the end of the Silent Auction at the event on February 29, 2020. Visit the website at [potomacs2020.ggo.bid](http://potomacs2020.ggo.bid).

## Lower School

- Sewing party with Mrs. Powell
- Flowers and Story Time Mrs. McKillop and Mrs. Mendoza
- Movie and popcorn at school with 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
- Pottery Painting with Ms. Petru and Ms. Bagley
- Pottery Class for Three Students with Ms. MacKenzie
- Bounce on Trampolines in Ashburn with Mrs. Scanzera
- Explore the Trails of Potomac with Ms. Edelmann, Ms. Tolson, and Mrs. Dunn
- Chat and Chew Bookclub with Mrs. Neuman and Mrs. Gibb
- Cockatiel Aviary encounter with Mrs. Kaplan
- Personalized Library Lesson and Snacks with Ms. O'Hara
- Make your own pillowcase with Mrs. Clayburn

## Middle/Intermediate/Upper School and Athletics

- Escape Room with Mr. Mathews
- Nosh and Nails with Mrs. Furr
- DJ Dance Party for 12 with Ms. Heist
- STEM, Robotics, or Engineering Activity for Four with Mrs. Jarratt and Mr. Mueller
- Cruise the Potomac River with Miss Cahill
- Indoor Soccer Tournament for 20 with Mr. Hoffmann
- Video Game Showdown with Mr. Mogle
- Shadowland for three with Mr. McNeil
- DC Experience with Mrs. Hoogstra
- Yoga Fun with Ms. Brock
- Project Runway Fashion Design Party with Mrs. Dunkleberger
- Potomac Flag Football Camp with Mr. Wolff
- One-Week Girl Power Camp with Mrs. Mays
- One Week at Potomac Baseball Camp with Mr. Adamac





## 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](http://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](mailto: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.

Five Nights at Exclusive Resorts, Five-Night Private Villa Getaway at Four Seasons Resort Anguilla, and One-Week Stay in Luxury Villa on Beautiful St. John 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.*

## WINE

Thanks to the generosity of the Potomac community and friends, a world-class selection of wines will be available for bidding only at the auction on February 29. A huge thank you to Colleen and Jim Lucier and Julie and Tom Steindler for hosting the auction's annual wine party!

See a full listing of all wines available at the event at [potomacs2020.ggo.bid](http://potomacs2020.ggo.bid).



# Buy a SPOT

**Would you like to try something new, have some fun, and meet great people?**

If so, **Buy a Spot** at the 2020 auction! The process is easy. Review the selected offerings below and this year's full listing online at [potomacs2020.ggo.bid](http://potomacs2020.ggo.bid) (note that the prices indicated 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.

## Ride to the Beat at SoulCycle Saturday, April 4, 2020



Have you wanted to try SoulCycle but never quite made it to the studio? Or are you on your phone every Monday at noon, ready to book a bike? No matter what category you fall in, get ready

to "find your soul" with this SoulCycle ride, offered exclusively to members of the Potomac community! SoulCycle's revolutionary indoor cycling class combines inspirational coaching with high-energy music to produce an unmatched 45-minute workout that benefits the mind, body, and SOUL.

The event will be held on Saturday, April 4, 2020, at 3:00 pm in SoulCycle's newest studio, which recently opened in Clarendon. Spots will be sold for \$60 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 55 riders. Riders must be 12 years or older and 4'11" or taller on the day of the ride and should arrive 15 minutes before class. Shoes and water will be provided.

**Donors: Cherylyn and Chris Mizzo**

## Women in the Arts Monday, April 6, 2020

Are you an arts enthusiast? If so, come enjoy admission to and a docent-led tour of the museum collection at

The National Museum of Women in the Arts. NMWA is the only major museum in the world solely dedicated to championing women through the arts. NMWA advocates for better representation of women artists and serves as a vital center for thought leadership, community



engagement, and social change. NMWA addresses the gender imbalance in the presentation of art by bringing to light important women artists of the past while promoting great women artists working today. You do not want to miss this fantastic art experience!

The event will be held on Monday, April 6, 2020, at 11:00 am. Spots will be sold for \$50 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 10 spots.

**Donors: Anjali and Arun Gupta**

## Lunch with the Ambassador of the Czech Republic at His Private Residence

**Thursday, April 15, 2020**

Join Ambassador Hynek Kmoníček of the Czech Republic and his wife, Mrs. Indira Gumarova, at their stunning private residence.

Fifteen guests will enjoy a wonderful lunch of Czech specialties under sparkling Czech crystal. Ambassador Kmoníček previously served as Ambassador to India and Australia and has amazing tales to share. The dynamic Mrs. Gumarova had a career in the fashion industry and still consults for Manolo Blahnik. The lunch conversation is sure to be fascinating!

The event will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, at the private residence of the Ambassador of the Czech Republic. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 15 spots.

**Donors: Mrs. Indira Gumarova and  
Ambassador Hynek Kmoníček**



## DIY Experience at AR Workshop

**Saturday, April 18, 2020**

Join us at AR Workshop in Old Town Alexandria for a DIY experience where you and your child(ren) will create the latest on-trend designs on a gorgeous pillow or canvas tote. No skill necessary! You will be able to select your personalized and/or monogrammed design ahead of time. Snacks and beverages will be served.



The event will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020, at 11:00 am. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Event is appropriate for children ages six and up. A spot should be purchased for each crafter (e.g., one adult and two children will need three spots), and your group must include at least one adult. Limited to 30 spots.

**Donors:** Erin Alberto and Erin Cleary Murtagh '93

## Dodge, Duck, Dive, Dip and, uh, Drink: The Five "D's" of Dodgeball!

**Saturday, April 18, 2020**



Join fellow Potomac parents for an evening of dodgeball, games, adult beverages, food, and a DJ. Come relive your youth – suit up in your finest athletic attire, get limber, and be ready for a night of some old-school

shenanigans! It's sure to be an event to remember!

The event will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020, in the Chester Gym at The Potomac School. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Adult participants only. Limited to 100 spots.

**Donors:** Monica and Ross McEwen, Jen and Nick Langman, Jill Park and Dan Chun, Heidi and Randy Rodgers, Sushma Shenoy and Amit Saluja, Lois and Darren Willcox, and Erin and Andy Wolff

## Take a Hike!

**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**

Don't miss this popular event in its fourth year running – trailblazing new ground this year!

Take time off from your screens and enjoy the wonders of early spring along Potomac's beautiful trails. The event will kick off with coffee, followed by a guided hike and

gourmet trail-side brunch. You'll ramble along Pimmit Run, learning about native trees and plants along the way. Margaret Rietano, former Potomac parent and founder of The Elements DC ([theelementsdc.com](http://theelementsdc.com)), will lead this outdoor adventure in collaboration with PEA (Parents for Environmental Action). The nature hike will cover wooded paths with terrain flat and rooty, rocky and muddy. You'll leave feeling grounded, renewed, and connected to our beautiful campus and community. All are welcome!

The event will be held on Tuesday, April 21, 2020, at 9:30 am. Spots will be sold for \$50 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 25 spots.

**Donors:** Margaret Rietano, Mary Ritchey, and Lissa Potter



## Tinis and Toes

**Thursday, April 30, 2020**



Join some of your favorite Potomac friends for a night of pampering and partying at the Diamond Spa. This fabulous night out will include pedicures, martinis, and light fare.

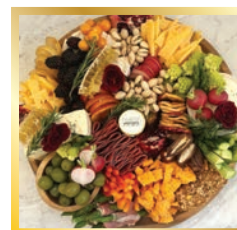
The event will be held on Thursday, April 30, 2020, at 7:00 pm. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 20 spots.

**Donors:** Nicole Alexander, Jennifer Butler, Diane Halpin, Kara Hicks, and Tanya La Force

## Come Graze With Me

**Sunday, May 3, 2020**

Learn how to create gorgeous cheese, charcuterie, and grazing boards from Instagram hostess Pamela Vetrini! You will enjoy wine and cheese while you learn, and you will leave with your full board and the confidence to create your own masterpiece for your next event. Samples of Pamela Vetrini's creations can be viewed on Instagram @pamelawurstvettrini or by using #cheatsandmeeses.



The event will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2020, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at the home of Ashley Chamberlain. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 15 spots.

**Donors:** Ashley Chamberlain, Becky Tromblay, and Cheats and Meeses

## Creativity in Bloom

**Thursday, May 7, 2020**

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 spring-inspired display. 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 Thursday, May 7, 2020, at 10:30 am at Rachel Sheridan's home in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 30 spots.

**Donors: Katy Moser, Rachel Sheridan, and Mayflowers**

## Paddle the Potomac!

**Sunday, May 17, 2020**



Come find out what happens when a pedal pub and a booze cruise get together! Join us May 17 at Georgetown or the DC Wharf. Brunch beforehand, cost of paddle tour, and drinks will be included.

The event will be held on Sunday, May 17, 2020. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 13 spots.

**Donors: Bela Aggarwal and Liz Smith**

## Style Matters

**Thursday, May 28, 2020**

In an extraordinary afternoon of style, author and stylist Lauren A. Rothman will discuss top fashion trends and how to make them accessible and relevant in everyday life. From the runway to your living room, Lauren will dish on creating the perfect day-to-night look for every mom! Lunch will be provided. Each guest will receive a signed copy of Lauren's book, *Style Bible: What To Wear To Work*, as well as a parting gift provided by McLean Dermatology & Skincare Center.



The event will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2020, at Congressional Country Club in Bethesda. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis; ladies only! Limited to 35 spots.

**Donors: Jen Graham, Sushma Shenoy, Julie Steindler, Amy Fahnestock, and Malvika Paddock, and Dr. Lily Talakoub**



## Yachts of Fun!

**Saturday, May 30, 2020**

Come sail away with the Yacht Rock Revue! Join us on Saturday, May 30, at Wolf Trap to witness the Hot Dads in Tight Jeans 2020 Tour. Snacks and a round of drinks will be included.

The event will be held on Saturday, May 30, 2020, at Wolf Trap in Vienna. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis; adults only. Limited to 35 spots.

**Donors: Victoria Chapman Fairbank '98, Angela Irwin, Annie Pacious, Kate Robbins, Priscilla Stanzel, and Lauren Woodley**

## Lakeside Paella Party

**Saturday, September 19, 2020**

Come enjoy a lovely lakeside evening in beautiful Lake Barcroft, complete with a home-made paella, sangria, and Spanish wine from the property's own cellar.



The event will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2020, from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 30 spots.

**Donors: Veronica Angulo, Leonorah Boulter, and Aldys London**

## **“ADULTS ONLY” Paint Party** **Friday, October 2, 2020**



Grab your friends and get ready for a little bit of paint, a little bit of wine, and a whole lot of fun! This unique experience makes for a great date night or night out with friends. Leave stress behind and pick up your

wine glass at this colorful party complete with easy, step-by-step instructions. 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 on the evening of Friday, October 2, 2020. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 16 spots.

**Donors:** *Diana MacKenzie, Angie Goff, and Jen Lopez*

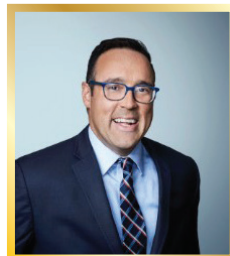
## **Trivia Night** **Saturday, October 3, 2020**

Back by popular demand, and on campus this year so more can play, is Trivia Night with CNN's Chris Cillizza! Get your trivia fix with an exciting evening of politics (the presidential election will be just one month away!), pop culture, sports, and everything in between.

Heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks will leave you struggling to answer the perennial favorite "What does the 'S' in Harry S. Truman stand for?" Whether you're a trivia buff, newbie, or detractor, you'll fit right in.

The event will be held on campus on Saturday, October 3, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 100 spots.

**Donors:** *Gia and Chris Cillizza, Ashley and Sam Chamberlain, Alicia and Jon Downs, Morgan and Andy Holtman, Julie and Brian Lee, Gretchen and Jerad Speigel, and Amy and Mike Wigmore*



## **Dads Kick Axe!** **Thursday, October 15, 2020**

Experience the rush of (safely!) throwing axes! Join fellow Potomac dads for this unique experience at Kraken Axes. The group will have dedicated axe throwing lanes and its own throwing coaches.



If you're looking for an awesome time, this is the event for you! Dinner and drinks will be included.

The event will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2020, at Kraken Axes in DC. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis; adults only. Limited to 25 spots.

**Donors:** *Pete Otteni, Rob Walters, Sameer Bhargava, David Ritchey, John Scribner, Dan Rasmussen, Brant Imperatore, and Kevin Woodley*

## **Epic Dance Party** **Thursday, November 12, 2020**



Join us for a fun ladies night where you'll learn easy-to-remember and fun-to-do hip hop dance routines to modern pop songs that you love. No dance

experience required – hip hop dance instruction by Urban Kangaroo. Champagne and nibbles included!

The event will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020, at 7:00 pm in the fly dance studio at the home of Ellie Christiansen in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis; ladies only! Limited to 40 spots.

**Donors:** *Ellie Christiansen, Keirsten Campbell, and Jane Imperatore*

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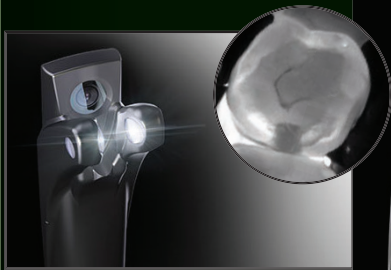
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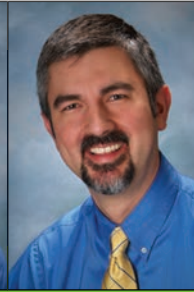
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