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Dear Potomac Community,



It is a pleasure to welcome you to our annual Scholarship Auction. This year's theme, Bloom! signals the arrival of spring and the blossoming and beauty of nature. Bloom! also offers us an opportunity to appreciate the blossoming of young minds and the growth of children into young adults through a Potomac education. Each year, this event plants the philanthropic seeds for our continued pursuit of excellence through the support of student scholarships and faculty professional development.

I have no doubt the three dynamic women who founded our school in 1904 would be deeply moved by the continued success of Potomac and our commitment to creating an environment where children thrive.

Our ability to nourish every student's growth is directly connected to the funds we raise at this event. Each of you serves as an important steward of our school, supporting our work and ensuring our students and faculty have the opportunity to bloom.

As we celebrate our 120th year as an educational institution, we hold close our traditions while pursuing thoughtful innovation. Potomac plays an important role in navigating a changing world for our students. This school year, we are exploring the potential impact of generative artificial intelligence, supporting our students in building healthy relationships with digital platforms and the appropriate use of social media, and navigating polarizing conversations through civil discourse.

We also continue to look forward and prioritize the operational and financial needs of our community through the next phase of our *Growing Ever Greater* campaign – the modernization of our Middle School, the reimagining of Chester gym and adjacent areas in the East Building, and the growth of Potomac's endowment.

The themes of growth, blossoming, and nourishment surround us in 2024. I am grateful to have you on this journey with us. I hope you enjoy the festivities of the auction and feel inspired to place a bid, raise your paddle, buy a spot, or all of the above! Thank you for continuing to tend to the Potomac garden and supporting our pursuit of excellence.

All my best,

**John Kowalik** Head of School

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the 2024 Scholarship Auction! This year, as we gather under the theme of **Bloom!**, we celebrate the power of a Potomac education, an experience that nurtures potential and allows our students to grow into remarkable individuals.

For 46 years, Potomac's Scholarship Auction has been a cornerstone of our community, and this year, it shines brighter than ever. With your unwavering support, the event has achieved unprecedented success. Fund a Scholar has come a long way from when we first introduced it more than fifteen years ago. Now, generating nearly \$1 million (nearly 70% of the auction's net revenue), it has become the hallmark of our event and a true reflection of this community's generosity of spirit. I look forward to seeing us break another record tonight!



Whether you bid to go bowling with a Lower School teacher or experience a Formula 1 Grand Prix, every dollar raised tonight fuels two vital pillars of Potomac: scholarships for deserving students to experience a Potomac education and professional development opportunities for our dedicated faculty to continue their own lifelong learning. As we place our bids and raise our paddles, let us do so with the joy of knowing that through these funds, our students and faculty will continue to bloom and leave an indelible mark on the world.

A special thanks goes to the extraordinary efforts of so many volunteers and staff, including our auction co-chairs Kiley Ohly, Priscilla Stanzel, and Christine Wang. As a three-time auction chair, I appreciate their extraordinary effort in creating the magic that unfolds tonight. They've poured their hearts into ensuring tonight's event will be a success.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I extend my heartfelt gratitude for your support. Your presence here, your generosity, and your belief in Potomac is what makes this community so special.

Go Well,

**Norma G. Ramsey** *Chair, Board of Trustees* 

Dear Potomac Friends & Families,

It is with sincere gratitude and appreciation that we extend a warm welcome to Potomac's 2024 Scholarship Auction - **Bloom!** 

We are excited to have you join us for an enchanted night celebrating our beloved community. We ask your help in making this evening of fun, friendship, and giving a **Blooming** success!

Every one of you is a critical component of the Auction, whether you are attending in person or supporting from afar, bringing our community together to support Potomac's mission to prepare students for lives of purpose, achievement, and generosity of spirit. This mission is at the heart of Potomac and the heart of the Auction. The funds raised provide invaluable support for student scholarships and faculty professional development, so we can continue to ensure that the full Potomac experience is an unparalleled education for our students and a caring, connected community for everyone.

On March 2, we celebrate the boundless potential of all our children and the vibrant bouquet that is Potomac, so don your best floral attire and be prepared to raise your paddles higher to the sky than ever to fund Potomac Scholars and help all our students **Bloom!** 

We offer heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has helped make this year's event possible, especially the generous individuals and businesses who have donated items to this year's Auction, the many volunteers who have offered their time and creativity, and Christine Sharkey, Alexis Ellis, and the entire Advancement team, for their outstanding support of the Auction and of the Potomac community.

With our deepest appreciation and excitement,

#### Kiley Ohly, Priscilla Stanzel, and Christine Wang

Co-chairs, 2024 Scholarship Auction

When our kids Bloom! they want to be... [Back Row] Aiden Yuan, International Relations; Ava Yuan, Volleyball Player [Front Row] Adam Yuan, Chef; Weston Stanzel, Gymnast; Millie Stanzel, President; Jack Ohly, Secret Agent; Cilla Stanzel, Dancer; Charlotte Ohly, Teacher



Thanks to our families for your support.



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Our evening will begin at 6:00 pm with music, drinks and hors d'oeuvres. The Silent Auction will close at 8:15 pm. The Live auction will take place while we enjoy our delicious three-course meal. Afterward, we will continue the celebration on the dance floor.



Silent Auction Bidding & Live Auction Preview

### **Opens February 21, 2024 at Noon!**

Potomac's auction website allows you to 1) bid on Silent Auction items, 2) preview Live Auction items, and 3) preview and bid on our Wine Auction.

#### **Silent Auction**

- The Silent Auction begins online on Wednesday, February 21, at noon. Bidding will continue until the start of the Live Auction, except for items that are purchased through the "Buy It Now" option.
- Again this year, the school is using Greater Giving's online platform for the Silent Auction. Please read the instructions below. You will create an account to bid on Silent Auction items through a browser on your home computer and/or mobile device.
- Please be advised that each item has a specified minimum starting bid and minimum incremental bid. Bidding for the Silent Auction will close prior to the start of the Live Auction at approximately 8:15 pm on March 2, 2024. Bidders will be alerted prior to the closing of the Silent Auction, including by way of a countdown. The person offering the highest bid for an item at the close of Silent Auction bidding will be deemed the winner of the item and will be notified through text and/or email.

#### **Live Auction**

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- The Live Auction online preview begins on Wednesday, February 21. The preview provides the opportunity to see all of the items that will be available for bidding at the Live Auction on March 2. If you would like to place an absentee bid for a Live Auction item, email Christine Sharkey at csharkey@potomacschool.org by Thursday, February 29, at noon.
- The Live Auction will begin during dinner and will continue without interruption until all Live Auction items have been auctioned.
- Your bid paddle contains your personal bid number. A bid for the Live Auction is entered by raising your paddle and being recognized by the Auctioneer or their staff.

#### **Auction Website Instructions**

If you would like to preview the items included in this year's auction, log on to Potomac's 2024 auction website: <u>potomacs2024.ggo.bid</u>. Click on the link on the main page for a preview. This page will become the Silent Auction bidding site when those portions of the Auction open on Wednesday, February 21, at noon. Potomac parents, grandparents, and friends will

- Live Auction items are listed numerically in the catalog, and the Auctioneer will follow this sequence during the Live Auction.
- An acknowledged bid is a binding offer to purchase the applicable item(s). On the fall of the Auctioneer's gavel (or other notification by the Auctioneer), the highest bidder will be the purchaser of the item.
- In the event of a bid dispute, the Auctioneer will act as the final authority in determining the winning bid.
- All auction items are subject to applicable Covid-19 restrictions.

receive an email when the Silent 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 prior events. 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 Silent Auction opens, visit <u>potomacs2024.ggo.bid</u>. Once on the Auction page, click the green "Start Bidding" button and follow the prompts to either log in with an existing 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 have two options: select the next incremental bid amount or enter a larger amount. If you choose to bid more than the

#### General

- When you arrive at the Spangler Center on the night of the event, please check in at the registration table. You will be assigned a bid number that you may use to bid on all Silent Auction and Live Auction items. This bid number functions as a legally binding signature for your bids at the Auction.
- All sales are final. No exchanges or refunds on Auction items are permitted. All items are sold "as is." Please read specifications and restrictions carefully before placing a bid.
- Unless otherwise specified, all Auction items must be redeemed by March 2, 2025. Dates and times are to be arranged at the mutual convenience of the donor and the winning bidder. We suggest that initial contact be made with the donor within 14 days of the Auction. If you are having difficulty contacting a donor, please notify Potomac's director of advancement events, Christine Sharkey, at (703) 749-6362 or csharkey@potomacschool.org.
- Auction items are not transferable from the winning bidder to anyone else without the donor's express permission.
- Payment may be made with cash, personal check (payable to Potomac School Auction), American Express, Visa, or MasterCard. Payment in full

next incremental bid amount, you can set a maximum bid. In that case, the system automatically will bid in your favor up to your maximum bid, until either another bidder enters a higher bid amount or the Silent Auction, as applicable, closes. You will receive an email and/or text message alerting you if 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 Auction website is optimized for use on smartphones.

the evening of the Auction is required. A single statement is issued for each winning bid (including group purchases). Checks are preferred, as they maximize proceeds to the school.

- To the extent possible, the winning bidder should take home all items at the end of the evening. Any remaining items must be picked up from the Potomac School Advancement Office by 3:00 pm on Friday, April 5, 2024. Please contact the Advancement Office if you need assistance. It is the winning bidder's responsibility to arrange for delivery.
- Consult your tax advisor regarding the deductibility or non-deductibility for tax purposes of specific items. In general, a tax deduction is permitted only if the price paid for an item exceeds its fair market value. Please contact Christine Sharkey (contact details above) for information on the fair market value of specific items.
- By making a purchase, the winning bidder waives any claims for liability against either The Potomac School or the donor of the property or services. Neither the school nor the donor is responsible for any personal injuries or damage to property that may result from the use of property or services sold.

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Restrictions: Not valid in the month of December. Two weeks' notice is preferred. Includes food, equipment/linens, staff, and soft drinks. Windows Catering will consult with the winning bidder on menu choices and will provide up to \$2,500 in catering services; the winning bidder will be responsible for any additional charges. The package does not include alcoholic beverages.

**Donors: Julie and Andrew Gerstel, Carol and Henry Dinardo, and Windows Catering Company** Value: \$2,500





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### And You're Off... to the 150th Kentucky Derby

Once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the 150th race of the "the most exciting two minutes in sports," the Kentucky Derby! You and three guests will attend both the Kentucky Oaks on Friday, May 3, 2024, and the Kentucky Derby on Saturday, May 4, 2024.

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Take in the race action with Homestretch Club access, where you will enjoy a reserved seat featuring unparalleled views of the home stretch. Between races, head to the luxurious Homestretch Club for gourmet food, an open bar, jockey appearances, and more! You can also access the Third Floor Clubhouse and the Paddock area.

This exciting package includes two rooms for four people at the Drury Inn & Suites East Louisville. Daily breakfast is served at the Drury Hotel. Roundtrip transfers to and from Churchill Downs for both races are also included.

Restrictions: Airfare and transportation to Louisville are not included.

**Donors: Christine Wang and Wes Yuan** Value: \$15,000

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#### Explore with National Geographic: French Polynesia or Iceland



You and a guest will set sail with National Geographic and Lindblad Expeditions on a journey of a lifetime! Choose from two different expedition itineraries — French Polynesia or Iceland.

When you step on board, you step into the pages of National Geographic magazine. These vessels are built small and nimble, so you can venture deeper into remote places and quickly disembark to spend more time exploring. And each is purposefully designed for your destination to connect you with your wild surroundings in a more meaningful way.



The expedition team that accompanies each voyage is made up of engaging explorers who are passionate about sharing their expert perspectives. Chosen for their knowledge of your destination and their ability to spot opportunities provided by the wilderness around us, these veteran guides are the key to ensuring you have an extraordinary experience on shore and on board. **You choose your expedition!** 

#### Option #1: Wild Polynesian Escape: Tahiti to Bora Bora

Enjoy a 7-day, 6-night expedition exploring The South Pacific aboard the National Geographic Orion.

Neighboring the storied islands of Tahiti and Bora Bora lies the coveted diving destination of Rangiroa, the steep volcanic cliffs and remarkable grottoes of Makatea, and the ancient Polynesian cultural site of Marae Taputapuātea on Ra'iatea. On an incredible expedition to one of the last places on Earth to be settled by humans, discover iconic tropical landscapes, ancient cultural sites, and an extraordinary undersea world.

#### **Option #2: Wild Iceland Escape**



Enjoy a 6-day, 5-night expedition exploring Iceland aboard the National Geographic Explorer.

Discover the land of fire and ice on a six-day voyage to the remote shores and volcanic isles of northwest Iceland. Hike and bike along rugged fjords and discover stunning waterfalls and nature-filled landscapes. Set out by Zodiac to navigate dramatic shorelines, from the dramatic Westfjords to the storied and adventurous Skagafjörður region. Explore the legacy of Viking explorers and intrepid fishermen during visits to historic villages.



Restrictions: Prize valid for one Category 1 cabin for two persons, for departure on January 29 or February 3, 2025 for French Polynesia or May 27 or June 24, 2025 for Iceland

Departure date is based on availability by Lindblad Expeditions and is subject to holiday and other blackouts. Cabin booking and confirmation cannot be made until 90 days prior to sailing.

Not included: Air transportation, baggage/accident/cancellation insurance, extensions, passport, visa, immigration fees, meals not indicated, travel protection plan, items of personal nature, certain premium brands of alcohol, and laundry. Gratuities to the ship's crew at the traveler's discretion.

**Donor: Lindblad Expeditions** Value: \$12,750

### $\overset{\mathbb{P}}{\iota}$ Dinner for 12 at Masseria

Experience a spectacular evening of Chef Stefanelli's Michelin-starred restaurant featuring innovative Italian cuisine with touches of coastal cultures. At this evening's dinner for 12, you will enjoy a customized fivecourse tasting menu to complement wines selected from boutique vintners chosen by their Sommelier. Savor and enjoy!

Masseria, Chef Nicholas Stefanelli's first restaurant, is a celebration of big, harmonious flavors and the fine Italian cooking that shaped Chef's palate as a child. The restaurant is named for the charming agricultural estates of the Puglia region, where Chef Stefanelli's family heritage is rooted. With such inspiration, Chef Stefanelli approaches hosting guests in his own restaurant as more of a lifestyle than a profession, taking the pretense out of fine dining in favor of heartfelt hospitality and honest cooking.

With such attention and care, the Masseria concept has achieved considerable acclaim. In 2016, Masseria earned one star in Washington, DC's first-ever Michelin Guide, an honor it has received every year since. In 2015, Washington Post food critic Tom Sietsema selected the newly opened Masseria as third among his top 10 favorite restaurants in Washington, DC. Washingtonian Magazine selected Masseria to the #12 spot in its list of the city's 'Top 100 Very Best Restaurants' for 2016. The Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington nominated Masseria in the category of 'New Restaurant of the Year' and 'Pastry Chef of the Year' for 2016. The following year, RAMW named their 'Pastry Chef of the Year,' and in 2018, Masseria was awarded the distinction of 'Formal Fine Dining Restaurant of the Year.'

Restrictions: Gratuity and tax not included. One month lead time requested.

**Donors: Abeer and Yousef Al Otaiba and Masseria** Value: \$10,000

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#### **Washington Nationals VIP Game-Day Experience**



Feel like a part of the team with this amazing VIP game-day experience from The Washington Nationals! The package includes four PNC Diamond Club tickets (all-inclusive food, house wine, and draft beer), parking, four on-field passes to watch Nationals batting practice, a scoreboard message display, and an opportunity to hold the finish line during the world-famous Racing Presidents. This VIP experience includes opportunities that are not publicly available.

Restrictions: Tickets are for a 2024 Washington Nationals home game on a mutually agreed-upon date, not including Opening Day game; Diamond, Marquee, or Prime games' and postseason games; Participation in the Finish Line Holding activity on a date that aligns with our entertainment staff's schedule.

**Donor: The Washington Nationals** Value: \$3,500

#### Seven-Night Stay at Montage Kapalua Bay Maui, Hawaii



The lucky winner of this package will spend seven nights at the luxurious five-star Montage Kapalua Bay in a Premiere Ocean Grand Residence. This exquisite residence sleeps eight, with three bedrooms, a sleeping den, and 3.5 baths (three full en-suite baths and one powder room). With 3,500 square feet of indoor/outdoor space, this Grand Residence provides the utmost in private vacation-home living. You will have access to abundant amenities, including Montage hotel room service, several on-site restaurants, four bars, a 30,000-square-foot spa, and a children's program,

"Paintbox." This magnificent private living space offers plush designer furnishings, state-of-the-art electronics, a lavishly equipped full kitchen, and even a Viking BBQ grill that is built-in to your private panoramic ocean-view outdoor covered veranda!

Montage Kapalua Bay Resort is a Forbes Travel Guide fivestar rated beachfront residential enclave located directly on Maui's award-winning Kapalua Beach. As of 2022, Montage Kapalua Bay is ranked the #1 Resort in the USA, the #1 Hotel in Hawaii, and the #2 Hotel in the USA by U.S News & World Depart. The Montage is get an 24 perces of transient

& World Report. The Montage is set on 24 acres of tropical paradise, with a gorgeous white-sand crescent beach perfect for swimming and snorkeling. Rent a paddleboard, kayak, snorkel set, or boogie board at the beach concession hut; beach staff will bring you towels and beach umbrellas and furnish you with beach chairs or chaises. At the pools, attendants offer towels, water, and other comforts. Cabanas are available to rent poolside, and you can enjoy the adult infinity edge pool or the labyrinth of pools that cascade around the resort.

Restrictions and other details: Residence available the first week of Potomac Spring Break 2025 (Saturday, March 15 – Saturday, March 22, 2025) or June 14 - June 21, 2025. Airfare and transportation are not included. The Montage is 33 miles from Kahului Airport (OGG), about a one-hour drive. The property is going through a phased facade renovation project. Specifically, there are six residential buildings at the property and, over the next few years, one building at a time will be wrapped in a protective layer while the facade of that building is being beautified and repainted. The facade beautification for the building where the auctioned residence is located will have already been completed by

March or June of 2025 (the offered dates) and therefore will not be impacted.

**Donors: Karen and Chuck Ghoorah** Value: \$36,000



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#### Best of the South: Ruthie's All Day Barbeque and Bluegrass Experience

James Beard Award-nominated Chef, American Culinary Corp member, Dukes Mayo ambassador Matt Hill, and his team at Ruthie's All-Day (RAD) will come to your home or a nearby location to prepare an epic custom barbecue for up to 30 people. Accompanying Chef Hill will be his custombuilt 500-gallon Primitive Pits smoker, "The Bull," used by award-winning pitmasters around the United States.



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The event will feature a big spread, including a variety of smoked meats, brisket, pulled pork, and poultry with multiple sides (such as potato salad, collard greens, and mac and cheese) and homemade breads. In addition to preparing an incredible meal, Chef Hill will teach you and your guests his meticulous low and slow meat-smoking technique, making your barbecue even better! Fellow Southern Chef and Friend Brian Noyes of Red Truck Rural Bakery will also provide homemade pies and signed copies of his Nationally recognized Farmhouse Cookbook.

While feasting, you and your guests will enjoy live bluegrass music performed by The Shedkickers, featuring IS science teacher and Potomac grad Bill Hoffmann '79 and his brother, former sustainability coordinator and Potomac grad Bern Hoffmann '86! The Shedkickers will play two 50-minute sets of amazing bluegrass music.

Restrictions for Matt Hill: Contact donors to arrange a mutually agreeable date; not available on holidays. Gratuity not included. The package expires March 1, 2025.

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Restrictions for The Shedkickers: Event date must be mutually agreeable, with at least 20 business days' notice; holidays and holiday weekends are unavailable. Mutually agreedupon COVID precautions. Additional charges may apply if the event is held beyond a 10-mile radius of Arlington, Virginia.







Event proceeds rain or shine. Expires by March 1, 2025.

Donors: Matt Hill and Jeanne Choi, Ruthie's All-Day, Brian Noyes, Red Truck Rural Bakery, The Shedkickers Value: Priceless

#### One-Week Beach Vacation on Enchanting Kiawah Island

The lucky winner of this package will enjoy a one-week stay in a magnificent custom-built home on pristine Kiawah Island.

Kiawah Island is renowned for its natural beauty and acclaimed golf courses. The home is situated on wellknown Surfsong Road, a short 10-minute walk from the beach. It features four bedrooms; a media room; a great room with a wall of windows overlooking a fairway; a private pool; and luxurious finishes throughout, including gorgeous hardwood flooring, custom tile, and shiplap siding. Outdoors, a deck offers a dining area and poolside lounge chairs, perfect for unwinding after a round of golf or a day at the beach.

The home can accommodate 10 guests. (It has an owner's suite with a king-size bed; a bunk room with two sets of bunk beds, one trundle bed, and one queen-size bed; two additional bedrooms with king- and queen-size beds, respectively; and a media room with a sleeper sofa). It also is equipped with a washer, dryer, and high-speed wireless internet.

Do not miss your chance to enjoy this summertime paradise!

Restrictions: Available for a mutually agreeable date in 2025 (not available March 15 to 22, June 28 to July 5 or August 2 to August 16). Contact donor by March 31, 2024, to secure your week. Airfare and transportation are not included, and overnight parking at the home is limited to five vehicles.

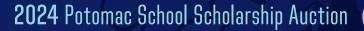
**Donors: Colleen and Jim Lucier** Value: \$13,500

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#### Welcome to the Action! VIP F1 Experience in Abu Dhabi

Prepare to be blown away by an unforgettable once-in-alifetime experience in luxurious Abu-Dhabi. You and your three guests will experience the ultimate adrenaline rush while attending one of the greatest sporting events in the world: the Formula 1 Grand Prix at Yas Marina in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, December 6-8, 2024.

F1 races are intense, thrilling, and occasionally terrifying. Feel the barriers vibrate as drivers skim by, pushing their cars to the limit. The amplified sound of the race cars is almost deafening. With every lap, the drivers flirt with disaster in pursuit of the quickest time. And the spectacular sunset race at the Yas Marina Grand Prix, usually the deciding race in the F1 season, is truly the pinnacle of the F1 Experience.

The circuit is located on Yas Island, a huge leisure resort island near the UAE's sparkling coastline. Right next to Abu Dhabi International Airport, the area features world-class hotels, beautiful beaches, the marina, watersports, golf courses, luxury shopping, and theme parks, including the world's fastest roller coaster.

This package includes business-class airfare for four people on Etihad Airways, accommodations for four nights at the iconic Emirates Palace hotel, Private dining experiences, Invite-only lounge experiences, private tours at local landmarks, and passes to several related concerts and events.

#### Donors: Abeer and Yousef Al Otaiba

Value: This package is not normally available to the public to purchase but is valued at more than \$60,000.



an absolute adrenaline explosion! It shattered all of our expectations and truly an unparalleled experience!"

- 2023 package winner











### **Fund a Scholar**

There is no question that Potomac students and teachers are the school'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 \$40,000 level, followed by \$20,000, \$15,000, \$10,000, \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,500, \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$100, and \$50.

#### Donor: You!

Value: Priceless



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

#### \$40,000

• Approximately one year's tuition

#### \$20,000

 Approximately one-half of one year's tuition

#### \$15,000

 Represents 20% of the financial aid budget that covers all incidental costs (e.g. trips, textbooks) for Potomac students

#### \$10,000

 Approximately 25% of one year's tuition

#### \$5,000

 Annual cost of full-time participation in the Extended Day Program for one student

#### \$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 both The Teachers College Writing Workshop and Orton Gillingham Training

Almost all Lower School teachers complete one of these two workshops.

#### \$1,000

 Cost for one teacher or student to attend the National Association of Independent Schools' People of Color Conference/Student Diversity Leadership Conference

#### \$500

- Registration cost for one teacher or counselor to attend an online course on incorporating mindfulness techniques in the classroom
- Cost of textbooks per Upper School student

#### \$250

 Cost of two seasons of sports gear for an Upper School student

#### \$100

 Approximate cost for one student to attend prom

#### \$50

 Cost for one teacher to attend a local conference for educators

If you are unable to attend the auction, please make your Fund a Scholar donation online at **potomacschool.ejoinme.org/auctionrsvp2024**.

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

# 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 carrying a large load, running late, or trying to get great seats at an assembly, you will not regret this purchase.

Restrictions: Parking space will be reserved for the winning bidder for the 2024-25 school year. Parking space may not be used by a Potomac student.

#### Donor: The Potomac School

Value: Priceless

# Fly in the Luxury of a Private Jet

Here is your chance to take to the skies in luxury! Experience the convenience, time efficiency, privacy, and enhanced comfort of private air travel. You and up to seven family or friends can travel in style aboard a private charter flight. The winning bidder will work directly with Advanced Aviation Team to finalize the details. Travel five hours to a destination in one direction or choose a location where travel time round trip falls within the five-hour limit. Winners Choice!

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Restrictions: Flight time exceeding five hours and/or upgrade to a larger aircraft may be possible and subject to additional fees, which would be coordinated and paid directly to Advanced Aviation Team. If you choose a destination that allows a round-trip option, travel must be completed within seven days. One piece of luggage per passenger. Notice of trip must be given at least one month prior to travel. Item winners agree to abide by AATs Terms and Conditions, including cancellation terms. Date restrictions apply\*\*\*



Value: \$30,000

\*\*\*Peak Travel Days: New Year's Day, President's Day, MLK Day, Super Bowl, Kentucky Derby, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, & Christmas. For three days proceeding and three days following these dates, AAT can accommodate the charter request; however at least two additional weeks' notice must be given (six total weeks) and additional fees might apply.

Donor: Gregg and Brooks Brunson-Pitts, Advanced Aviation Team



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#### Four-Night Stay for Two in Playa Cativo, Costa Rica

Experience a taste of paradise and unimaginable wildlife adventures in this extraordinary first-class Costa Rican destination! Chosen by Travel & Leisure for their World's Best Awards and awarded Trip Advisor's Best of the Best Luxury Hotels 2023 in Central America, Playa Cativo is a seven-room boutique eco-luxury Lodge in southwestern Costa Rica. Accessible only by boat, the property is nestled on 1,000 private acres with three kilometers of pristine shoreline in the rainforest with abundant magical beauty and wildlife. The Lodge, located across from the Osa Peninsula on the shores of the Golfo Dulce, provides an intimate haven with spectacular natural surroundings, elegant oceanfront accommodations, first-class amenities, and a variety of activities that offer a blissful balance between relaxation and adventure.

The package includes a four-night stay for two people with daily breakfast, lunch, and dinner and boat transfers (in and out) between the Lodge and the nearest local airports. Also included are one rainforest tour and one farm-introduction tour; use of standup paddles, kayaks, and snorkels in Cativo Bay.

Restrictions: Valid for a stay between May 1 and November 15, 2024. Drinks, taxes, gratuities, and any expense of a personal nature are not included.

**Donors: Shelley and Mark Betts** Value: \$4,300

### 14 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 T.J. Oshie and Nicklas Backstrom
- Four tickets to a game during the 2024-2025 season (seats are located in the Capital One Arena's lower bowl)
- A meet-and-greet with T.J. Oshie, Nicklas Backstrom, and other players following the game!

Restrictions: Contact donor for a mutually agreeable date during the 2024-2025 season. The schedule will be released in summer 2024.

**Donors: Liza and Nicklas Backstrom and Lauren and T.J. Oshie** Value: Priceless





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Back by popular demand! A gourmet meal will be prepared in your home and served to you and your seven guests, along with a customized selection of amazing French and American wines.

The theme of this evening is inspired by the landmark tasting in 1976 called the Judgement of Paris, in which French experts agreed that the California wines they tasted "blind" were better than their French counterparts. The result was a blot on French national pride and shocked the country's wine industry.

During the evening, you and seven guests will reenact the Judgement of Paris. Top-rated vintages from exceptional U.S. and French winemakers will be pitted against each other, and you and your guests can decide which region is superior! Selections include 2012 Marcassin Pinot Noir, 2012 Sine Qua Non Touché Eleven Confessions Syrah, 2005 Maya, 2010 Chateau Pichon Longueville, 2008 Sassicaia, and 2009 Chateau Montrose.

The wine-tasting dinner will take place in your home, where you can relax as local favorite Susan Gage Caterers pampers you with a unique five-course tasting menu and excellent service. Our only request is that you "blind" taste and report your results. Will the Americans prevail again? Cheers and bon appétit!

Restrictions: Tax and gratuity are not included. Event to be held on a mutually agreeable date; not available on any Saturday night or between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

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**Donors: Jen and Chris Graham and Susan Gage Catering** Value: \$4,500



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## Choose Your Own Adventure

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Restrictions: Certificates expire March 2025, cannot be used on New Year's Eve, and blackout dates apply. They are valid for seven nights in a standard room and tax only. Resort fees, incidentals, or parking charges are not included. Certificates must be presented at check-in. Airfare and transportation are not included.

**Donors: Anu Saxena and Dennis Peery** Value: Winner's choice!







### **7 Dinner for 12 at Philotimo**

An evening to remember will be yours as you enjoy the ambiance of Philotimo. You and 11 guests will dine in The Delos Room- artfully designed by chef Stefanelli himself. The chef will develop the menu featuring the flavors and wines of Greece. Like no other in the city, this truly stunning and fully private setting is accessible by a private elevator for the utmost discretion, with a private bathroom and bar.

*Restrictions: Gratuity and tax not included. One month lead time requested.* 

**Donors: Abeer and Yousef Al Otaiba and Philotimo** Value: \$3,000

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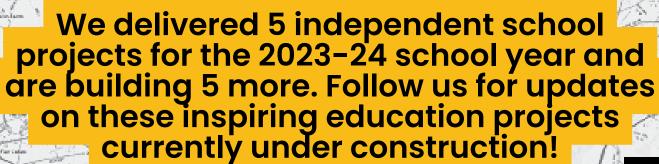
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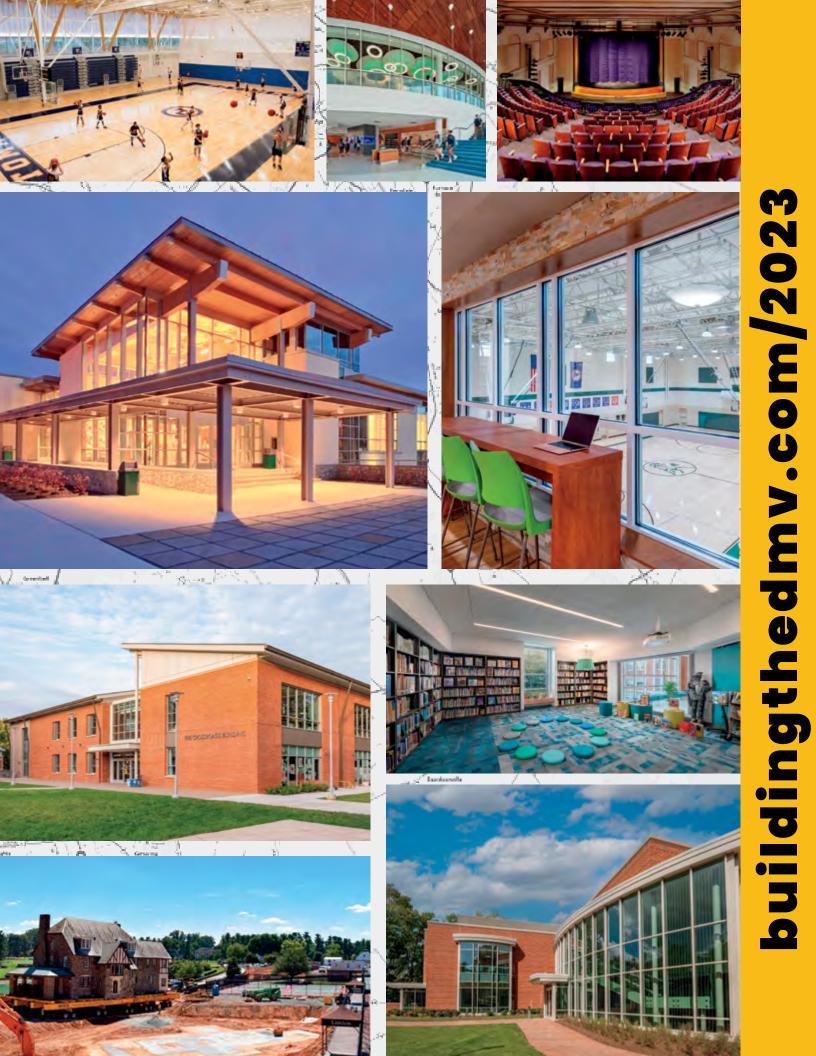
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Below is a SAMPLING of the many Silent Auction items offered for bidding. Items received beyond the catalog print date are not included. A complete list of the

Silent Auction offerings can be found at potomacs2024.ggo.bid. Online bidding for all Silent Auction items begins at noon on February 21, 2024, and closes at the event on March 2, 2024, at approximately 8:15 pm.

### Experiences and Entertainment A Night with Luke Combs

Get your cowboy boots on and experience the Luke Combs GROWIN' UP and GETTIN' OLD Tour at FedEx field! Country superstar and reigning 2x CMA Entertainer of the Year, Luke Combs, is a multi-platinum, awardwinning artist from Asheville, NC. The lucky winner of this item will receive two tickets in the 100-level section for the Friday, July 26, 2024 show.

Restrictions: Tickets will be mobile delivered the week of the show.

**Donor: Superstar Tickets** Value: \$500

### Day in the Life of a Pro Gamer



Value: Priceless

Ever wondered what it would feel like to be a pro gamer? Here's your opportunity to find out! You and three guests 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 (as seen on Netflix's 7 Days Out and HBO's Ballers). The lucky winning bidder will tour the facility, feast alongside Team Liquid pros and staff on a lunch prepared by their in-house chef, and listen in on a match review session between players and coaches. The team's photographer will be on hand throughout to capture the priceless memories.

This package also includes an Official Team Liquid 2023 jersey autographed by Team Liquid's entire Spring League Championship Series roster, including world champion Jo "CoreJJ" Yong-in and its newest signees, and lifestyle apparel from the latest Team Liquid x Marvel collection.

Restrictions: Experience limited to winning bidder plus three guests (four people total). Prize redemption date will be mutually agreed upon and subject to Los Angeles County COVID restrictions. The visit is to be ideally scheduled for Thursday or Friday, February through March, or June through August. Some restrictions apply. Please note: The LCS Spring regular season is confirmed to take place on Saturdays and Sundays, January 20 - March 24. If the winners are able to extend their visit through a weekend, then additionally they can attend the LCS game.

Donors: Kristin Jensen and Mina Faltas '96 and eSports/Team Liquid

### Art Basel VIP Tickets

Experience one of the contemporary art world's most anticipated and prestigious art fairs, Art Basel Miami Beach (ABMB), with two 2024 VIP tickets. Enjoy a first-rate experience including VIP fair and lounge access and all program offerings such as artist talks, events,

## Art Basel Miami Beach

and art fair tours. Join fellow art lovers, dealers, artists, collectors and aficionados for a can't-miss



industry experience. At Art Basel Miami Beach, the international fair's American show, 275 of the world's leading modern and contemporary galleries from five continents display significant works – paintings, sculptures, installations, photography, film, video, and digital art – by over 4,000 artists, from masters to emerging stars. The fair brings together thousands in the art community, having grown from 20,000 to over 81,000 visitors in the course of 18 editions – making ABMB even bigger than the Superbowl!

*Restrictions: Winners must be in Miami December 4-8, 2024. Airfare and transportation are not included.* 

**Donors: Brady Millar Doty '00 and Dan Doty '00** Value: \$500

### **Lucid Motors Driving Experience**

The winning bidder will get to take the extraordinary Lucid Air Grand Touring luxury electric sedan home for the night.

Lucid is an American electric vehicle company headquartered in Silicon Valley, with manufacturing in Casa Grande, Arizona. Lucid offers the world's longest-range electric vehicle (516 miles) and won the MotorTrend 2022 Car of the Year award with its inaugural model, the Lucid Air. The vehicle has 819 horsepower and a zero-to-60 speed of 3 seconds.

Lucid's in-house developed technology, innovative design, and advanced EV motors allow customers to go farther with fewer batteries. Lighter, smaller battery packs mean Lucid vehicles use fewer precious metals and minerals.



Restrictions: Winner must not be a government employee or other covered party. Winner must hold a valid U.S. driver's license and sign paperwork committing to following all traffic laws, not damaging the vehicle, etc. Winner must not put more than 200 miles on the vehicle. Expires 12/31/2024.

**Donor: Lucid Motors** Value: Priceless



### Front-Row Seats for Potomac's 2024 Commencement Ceremony with Reserved Parking



One lucky family will win four front-row seats, reserved in their name, for Commencement 2024! This is an excellent opportunity to guarantee the best seats in the house for this once-in-a-lifetime event for your graduate! A reserved parking space for the big day is also included.

Restrictions: Experience limited to one of the events noted above and cannot be divided.

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

### The Washington Ballet 2024-25 Full Series Season Subscription

Enjoy all-season access to the time-honored art of ballet as envisioned for the modern age during a historic moment for the ballet company in and of the nation's capital, The Washington Ballet (TWB). TWB reflects the diversity of the community and the nation through its professional dancers, high-caliber school, and its repertoire. TWB's 2024-25 season will mark the beginning of a new, exciting era for the company, as American arts leader and acclaimed choreographer Edwaard Liang joins as the new Artistic Director. The 48-year-old is only the fourth person, and first person of color, to lead the organization. He is also the first Asian American to lead a major American ballet company.

This Sunday Matinee Season Ticket Subscription package includes two orchestra tickets to all shows in the 2024-25 subscriber season. A backstage tour of the long-lasting holiday tradition, The Nutcracker, is also included.

**Donor: The Washington Ballet** Value: \$442



#### Additional items include...

- \* Come Fly With Me! A Private Flight on the Iconic WWII P-51 Mustang Fighter Aircraft
- \* Hirshhorn "Insider: ENTHUSIAST" Membership
- Beat the Bomb DC Mission Experience for Six People
- Four Front-Row Seats to a Halloween or Holiday Divisional Assembly with Reserved Parking
- Indoor Rock Climbing Adventure for Six Kids or Adults instructed and belayed by experienced lead climber and Potomac Parent, Michael Morefield
- And much more online!

# Dining and Drinks

### Thompson Italian Pasta-Making Experience for 10

Do you and your friends or family love Italian food? Have you ever wanted to learn how to make your own pasta? If so, you will not want to miss this extraordinary sought-after experience at acclaimed restaurant Thompson Italian! Chefs Gabe and Katherine Thompson honed their culinary skills at famed New York stomping grounds Per Se, Le Bernardin, and Del Posto, and went on to open three more popular Italian spots in Manhattan before

bringing their talents to Northern Virginia. You and nine guests will join the Thompsons at their Falls Church restaurant to learn how to make delectable stuffed pasta and Katherine's signature Olive Oil Cake. This hands-on cooking class will be followed by a four-course luncheon with wine pairing. Buon appetito!

Restrictions: This experience is only available between 12:00 noon and 3:30 pm. Date to be determined based on the chefs' availability. Gratuity for server not included.

**Donor: Thompson Italian** Value: \$2,000



### **Dining Experience for Two at Kyojin Sushi**



See what the hype is all about with this exquisite dining experience for two at Kyojin Sushi, the hot new Japanese spot opened this summer by Executive Chef Saran "Peter" Kannasute. With Kyojin depicted by food critics as "sultry," "opulent," "luxe," and "swanky," and self-described as an "over-the-top experience from the moment you walk in," this coursed dinner for two, including chef-selected sake and wine pairings, is sure to impress.

Chef Kannasute was born in Bangkok, Thailand, and raised in a family with a passion for cooking. His dreams grew in the small restaurant his family-owned, honing his skills both on the business and creative side of his culinary career. Fast forward to today, Chef Kannasute has been an Executive Sushi Chef at various Japanese Cuisine destinations since 2002, including Arlington favorite Yume Sushi,

known for Kannasute's decadent style. He is a Washington Post Accredited Chef and a firstplace winner of many culinary competitions across the country.

Restrictions: Must be scheduled in advance.

Donor: Kyojin Sushi, Jeff King Value: \$350 NILOYN



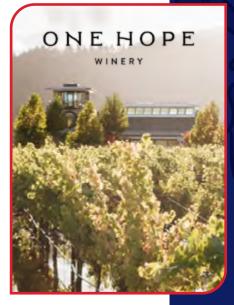
### **One Hope Winery**

Indulge in an unforgettable wine and culinary experience for six at this state-of-the-art flagship winery in the heart of Napa Valley. Designed by acclaimed Napa Valley architect Howard Backen, One Hope Winery embodies the purpose of nourishing the future with world-class wines crafted by veteran winemaker Mari Wells Coyle.

Sip and savor while taking in picturesque views of the Mayacama Mountain range. This private coursed pairing features the most prestigious reserve wines from One Hope's allocation, complemented by seasonal selections from their organic culinary garden and an elevated four-course tasting menu.

Restrictions: Offered Thursday through Monday

*Donor: Pamela Barris Rosenthal '03 and Eric Rosenthal '03, Erin and Steve Antosh, and One Hope Winery* Value: \$900



### **Private Party with Occasions Caterers**

Celebrating a special occasion or looking for an excuse to have friends over? Throw a cocktail party in style for 20 guests or an intimate dinner party for 10 guests – the choice is yours! Occasions will work with you on a creative menu, and will take care of all the details – including the server, chef, kitchen equipment, and serving platters – while you enjoy a memorable evening with your guests.

Serving the area since 1986, Occasions Caterers is a full-service catering company. They specialize in serving only the finest cuisine, including fully customized menus that exemplify elegance. The coordinating team and talented chefs work closely together with clients to develop an extraordinary culinary experience. Whether you're looking for a simple or lavish spread, this team will deliver outstanding service.



Restrictions: Occasions will consult with the winning bidder on menu choices and will provide up to \$1,500 in catering services; the winning bidder will be responsible for any additional charges. The package does not include beverages. Expires December 2024

**Donor: Occasions Caterers** Value: \$1,500

### Dinner for Four at Tosca

Enjoy dinner for four at this stylish and elegant DC institution known for hosting Washington's power players with exceptional service in a relaxed, beautiful setting.

Tosca offers the finest in contemporary northern Italian cuisine with an emphasis on seasonal ingredients and a creative approach that respects the great traditions of Tuscan gastronomy. The iconic restaurant remains a fixture in DC's booming culinary scene, recently receiving an Eater DC nod as "one of the top Italian restaurants for pasta in D.C.".

Following a fresh redesign for it's 20th anniversary in 2021, Tosca brought on Executive Chef Fortunato Nicotra, an acclaimed veteran who has earned Michelin stars at two restaurants in Sicily before his 30th birthday, led the kitchen at New York's award-winning Felidia for over two decades, and most recently served as Corporate Chef of the DC-based Fabio Trabocchi Restaurant Group (Fiola, Fiola Mare, Del Mar, and Sfoglina Pasta Houses).



TOSCA RISTORANTE & BAR

Restrictions: Value not to exceed \$250, food only. Alcohol, tax, and tip not included. Expires March 15, 2025.

**Donor: Tosca** Value: \$250

#### Additional items include...

- \* \$500 Gift Certificate to Astro Doughnuts & Fried Chicken
- \* \$75 Gift Certificate to Matchbox
- 60-Cookie Platter from Captain Cookie and the Milkman
- \* \$100 Gift Certificate to Millie's Spring Valley
- And much more online!

## Getaways

### Weekend in Hollywood Featuring Two-Night Stay at Thompson Hotel and Dinner at LA Hotspot KA'TEEN

Enjoy a two-night stay in a city-view studio suite at the newest luxury hotel in Los Angeles, Thompson Hollywood. Designed by renowned Londonbased interior design studio Tara Bernerd & Partners, the hotel features 190 sophisticated guest rooms and a rooftop pool with sweeping views of Los Angeles and the iconic Hollywood sign. Your stay includes complimentary breakfast for two and valet parking for one.



While in Hollywood, enjoy dinner for two at KA'TEEN, where Chef Wes Avila offers a fresh take on the ancient cuisine of the Yucatan Peninsula.

Restrictions: Offers to be accommodated based on availability and blackout dates may apply. Certificate for Thompson Hotel must be presented at time of check-in. Package expires March 11, 2025. Airfare and transportation not included.

**Donors: Pamela Barris Rosenthal '03 and Eric Rosenthal '03** Value: \$1,800

### Tulips, Canals, Windmills, and Luxury Accommodations Await!



The winning bidder of this package will spend four days and three nights at luxury boutique hotel The Dylan in Amsterdam.

The Dylan is an acclaimed five-star hotel, voted the Netherlands' Leading Hotel by the World Travel Awards. Located in an exceptional 17th-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.



Restrictions: Package includes accommodations for up to four guests (two interconnecting rooms will be provided) and daily breakfast and High Wine for two; city tax is also included. Dates subject to availability. Expires March 31, 2025. 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

### **One-Week Adventure on Deep Creek Lake**

Gather friends or family for an unforgettable, relaxing week in the nearby mountains of western Maryland, and enjoy a stay at the Admiral's Cottage at Deep Creek Lake! The fully appointed Admiral's Cottage includes four bedrooms with king-size beds, a movie theater, a Jacuzzi, and a pool table for your recreational pleasure. This is a perfect getaway location for spending time with your loved ones! You can enjoy hiking, biking, or playing in the lake during a warm season, or choose a week in winter and ski and snowboard at nearby Wisp Resort.

Restrictions: Available any time of year, based on a mutually agreed-upon week of consecutive days. Expires March 1, 2025. Firm maximum of eight guests, no pets, and no smoking.

**Donors: Lily Gunn/Westland Family** Value: \$3,500





# Weekend Getaway Cottage in the Northern Neck



Enjoy a rejuvenating and recharging three night waterfront/private beach getaway in Heathsville, Virginia, in a newly-renovated, cute waterfront cottage. Located just 2.5 hours from DC, this tranquil cottage has amazing, expansive views of the calming Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay and is the perfect spot to reconnect with family. Show your kids how to have fun without technology, or just relax in solitude. Stress will melt away as you take in amazing waterfront views or enjoy a hammock under the trees or a glass of wine by

the two outdoor fire pits — all while listening to the gentle sound of waves. The cottage has three small bedrooms (offering a total of three full-sized beds and two twin beds), two bathrooms, and accommodates eight people. Amenities include 2 paddle boards, 1 kayak, crabbing equipment, Keurig coffee machine, Instapot, full kitchen, board games, free internet/WiFi, TV (Netflix/Amazon), home security system, and small private beach and boardwalk. Learn more at www.WaterfrontVacationVA.com.

Restrictions: Cottage NOT available between June 15, 2024 and September 30, 2024. Available in spring, fall, and winter, extended days possible; Summer weekdays may be possible on mutually agreed dates. Pets and smoking are not permitted.

**Donors: Kalpna and Raj Bansal** Value: \$1,500

## Luxury Two-Night Stay at Middleburg's Goodstone Inn, Plus Dinner for Two

Enjoy beautiful Virginia countryside with a luxurious two-night getaway at Goodstone Inn & Restaurant and dinner for two in the Conservatory at Goodstone. The inn is situated on 265 unspoiled acres of Virginia's horse and wine country in historic



Middleburg. 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 local wineries, or shop in Middleburg's charming boutiques.



Restrictions: Package accommodates two guests and is eligible for upgrade to best available accommodation at check in. Alcoholic beverages, sales and occupancy taxes, expenses of a personal nature, and gratuities not included. Certificate is nontransferable. Reservations may be made for off-peak, midweek dates (other than holidays), subject to availability. Expires March 31, 2025.

**Donors: Shelley Slade and Mark Betts, Goodstone Inn** Value: \$1,350

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### Travel in Style with a Two-Night Stay at Salamander Middleburg and an Aston Martin DBX

Have you dreamed of rolling up to a five-star hotel in the rolling hills of Virginia's horse country in one of the most luxurious cars on the market? Here's your chance! Enjoy a two-night midweek stay at Salamander Middleburg in a Fireplace Estate King room with breakfast included. During your trip, you'll drive in style in an Aston Martin DBX.

Nestled in the heart of Virginia's horse and wine country, just one hour from Washington, D.C., on over 340 breathtaking acres, Salamander Middleburg is the first destination resort in the D.C. area to receive the Forbes Five-Star Award and the only Forbes Five-Star spa in Virginia. Exuding luxury with equal parts gracious hospitality and historic charm, Salamander Middleburg offers boundless and inspiring activities that will delight guests including treetop



zip-lining, the renowned Salamander Spa, and outstanding wineries.

The Aston Martin DBX707 is a luxury SUV like no other. With blistering performance, supreme dynamics, unmistakable style, and absolute luxury, it's a car that dominates in every sense. DBX707 showcases true engineering mastery that unleashes new levels of dynamic performance.



Restrictions: Salamander Middleburg offer applies to a twonight midweek stay and is subject to availability and blackout dates. Alcohol not included. Winner subject to taxes, service fee, and gratuity payable upon checkout. With respect to use of the Aston Martin, mileage, time, and other restrictions apply. Vehicle to be driven safely on surfaced roads only. Violations are the responsibility of the driver and could result in loss of vehicle use and/or financial penalties. Driver must be 25 years of age with valid driver's license and insurance. Vehicle cannot be used for towing. Vehicle use limited to a maximum of 48 consecutive hours.

**Donors: Aston Martin Washington D.C. and Salamander Collection** Value: \$4,000



# Sports

# **Take Me Out to Legendary Fenway Park**

Enjoy the national pastime like never before with this Red Sox VIP tour and home game in "America's Most Beloved Ballpark," Fenway!

The lucky winner and three guests will revisit the careers of famous Red Sox players like Ted Williams, Babe Ruth, and Carl Yastrzemski on a VIP tour through historic Fenway Park's hallowed halls. The tour includes warning track access and a visit atop Fenway's legendary Green Monster. Following the tour, the winning bidder

and guests will cheer on the home team from the Infield Grandstand, which provides covered seating, harkening back to Fenway's opening in 1912.

This amazing package includes a gift certificate for a one-night stay in a Fenway-facing guestroom at Hotel Commonwealth in Boston's Kenmore Square. With Fenway Park as its backyard and a life sciences hub rising outside its front door, the House of Blues steps away, and long ties to Boston University, Hotel Commonwealth is written into every Kenmore Square story from the start.



Restrictions: Package is limited to four tickets to a 2024 regular season home game other than a game against the New York Yankees or Los Angeles Dodgers. Contact the donor to select a mutually agreeable game and tour date (subject to availability). If the agreed-upon game is rained out, tickets will be redeemed for the scheduled make-up game. Incidental hotel charges are not included and this offer must be redeemed before March 2, 2025. Reservations are subject to availability; advance reservations are required. Airfare and transportation not included.

**Donors: Boston Red Sox and Hotel Commonwealth - Boston Kenmore Square** Value: Priceless

## Washington Wizards Experience: Two Owners Club Tickets to the Wizards vs. Portland Trail Blazers and More



This package is perfect for the basketball fan who likes to take in the game in style! The winning bidder and their guest will enjoy Owners Club court-side seats next to the bench to watch the Wizards take on the Portland Trail Blazers on Friday, April 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm; dinner for two in the Owners' Dining Room before the game begins; and a signed jersey. Don't miss your chance for this ultimate fan experience!

**Donor: The Mody Foundation** Value: \$5,000



# Four Tickets to a Capitals Game

Hey, Caps fans! The lucky winner of this package will enjoy four seats in the fourth row behind the net (the seats provide an excellent vantage point for viewing warm ups close-up on the Capitals side). These amazing seats (Section 116, Row D, Seats 7-10)

are available for one of the following game dates: Sunday, March 24 or Tuesday, March 26, 2024. Contact donor to select game.

Donor: Anu and Anish Shah Value: \$600



### Mad for Messi? Four FanDuel Lounge **Tickets DC United Match vs. Inter** Miami on Saturday, March 16, 2024



Enjoy field-level action from section F3, Row 2, seats 9-12 for the highly coveted DC United match against Inter Miami on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at 2:00 pm at Audi Field in DC. These luxury pitch-side seats are mere feet away from the action and include all-inclusive food and beverage located just a short walk from your seats!

Watch Lionel Messi, widely regarded as one of the greatest players of all time, up close during the game. Messi has won a record eight Ballon d'Or awards, a record six European Golden Boots, and was named the world's best player for a record eight times by FIFA.

Winner will also receive customized 2024 DC United Jerseys for each ticketholder, four D.C. United Scarves, a ball signed by DC United player(s), as well as a D.C. United Yard Flag.

Restrictions: Tickets are only for Saturday, March 16, 2024 DC United match against Inter Miami. Tickets will be transferred digitally.

Donor: Jennifer Walcott and Hans Davies, Lisa and Lamont Franklin, DC United Value: Priceless

#### Additional items include...

- \* Two VIP Front Row Seats to a Washington Wizards Home Game
- \* Round of golf at Famed Congressional Country Club
- \* Golf Outing for Two with Potomac Teachers Dan Wolff and Ross McEwen at Chevy Chase Country Club
- And much more online!

# Health, Wellness, and Beauty

# "Kosmopolitan By Night"

At this private event, you and eleven guests will enjoy the KOSMOPOLITAN pedicure at Kosmo Nail Bar. The Kosmopolitan Pedicure is an 85-minute treatment that includes champagne or rose scrub, masque, and collagen and hydrating cream, along with callus removal, paraffin wax, hot stone, and 60-minute massage.





The event will take place from 7:30 to 9:30 pm on a mutually agreeable date in the newly opened McLean location and guests will enjoy ownerselected wine and treats.

**Donor: Kosmo Nail Bar** Value: \$2,500

## **Cosmetic Consultation and Treatment of Your Choice from Arlington Dermatology**

Are you ready to freshen up and improve the appearance of your skin? The board-certified dermatologists at Arlington Dermatology, fellow Potomac parents Matthew Livingood and Ellinor Coyne, will provide a cosmetic consultation and your choice of one of the following treatments:

- full face IPL (intense pulse light)
- 🐮 full face microneedling
- 🐮 Clear & Brilliant laser full face
- Dysport for any two of the following three facial areas: crow's feet, glabella, and forehead.

**Donors: Matthew Livingood, Ellinor Coyne, Arlington Dermatology** Value: \$800

# ARLINGTON DERMATOLOGY MEDICAL · SURGICAL · COSMETIC

### In-Office Teeth Whitening from Comprehensive Dental Care



Walk out with beautiful white teeth after a 90 minute in office dental whitening by Potomac parent, Dr. Michael Kostrov, of Comprehensive Dental Care DC.

Restrictions: Redeem by May 31, 2025.

**Donors: Comprehensive Dental Care, Michael Kostrov and Mahvesh Qureshi** Value: \$550



#### Additional items include...

- \* Personalized Nutrition Consultations from Stacy Pence Nutrition
- \* Five Class Package from Rock the Reformer
- \* Georgia Leith SkinBiologique Recherche 60 min Bespoke Facial
- And much more online!

### ARLINGTON DERMATOLOGY MEDICAL · SURGICAL · COSMETIC

Arlington Dermatology is owned and run by board-certified dermatologists Dr. Matthew Livingood and Dr. Ellinor Coyne.

Please call 703-259-9561 or go online to www.arlingtonvaderm.com to make an appointment today.

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# For Kids and Teens

### Dream Factory Birthday Party Package from the National Children's Museum

Celebrate your little dreamer's big day with hands-on play! Gather friends and family in a semi-private lounge that overlooks the Museum's whimsical Entry Hall, and embark on an adventure to explore our interactive exhibits together. Recommended for all ages.

A Dream Factory package as valued includes:

- Two-hour rental of a semi-private lounge area with communal tables, plus a 30-minute set-up period and a 30-minute take-down period
- Maximum of 22 guests, capacity includes adults and children (per fire code capacity)
- Museum admission for guests during party time slot
- Special shirt for birthday child
- Ability to bring your own snack and birthday treat

Restrictions: Dates and times are subject to availability, as shown at www.nationalchildrensmuseum.org/birthday-parties. Parties can be reserved up to 4 months in advance and no later than 2 weeks in advance. All birthday party policies listed on The National Children's Museum website apply.

**Donor: The National Children's Museum** Value: \$575



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### One Three-Week Session for Summer 2025, Summer@Potomac's Discovery Camp

This gift certificate is for campers entering grades 3 through 7 and is for one three week session of Discovery Camp held at Summer@Potomac for the 2025 season. Discovery Camp is the perfect opportunity for campers to learn coding or archery, to swim or play chess or sports, and to get creative! The camp's relaxed, positive environment encourages exploration, and

its focus is finding new passions while having fun. At the time of registration, families are asked to select six workshops their campers will participate in each day. The winner will be able to register for this camp before priority registration opens and will have their pick of workshops!

Restrictions: The winner must contact the Auxiliary Programs Office by December 1, 2024. Gift certificate does not include the registration fee. This certificate is not transferable to other families and is only for the 2025 camp season.

Donor: The Potomac School Value: \$1,900



#### Additional items include...

- \* Father/Son Weekend at Falling Creek Camp
- \* Summer Camp at Dance Academy of Virginia
- Shadow Pediatrician and Potomac Parent, Elizabeth Livingood
- \* Comedy/Magic Show for Kids by The Great Zucchini!
- Your Potomac Student Can Greet the Potomac Buses with Upper School students on the Student Athletic Committee (SAC) on the First Day of School!
- And much more online!

# Something for Everyone

# **Dominion Jewelers Custom Piece**

Founded in 1985, Dominion Jewelers is the well-kept secret of those who have shopped there. Their 20 goldsmiths craft breathtaking, oneof-a-kind custom jewelry at less than half the cost of designer jewelry. Treat yourself to a custom piece or \$3,500 toward an in-store purchase.

Restrictions: Winner must meet with Rachelle Barmany Dove at Dominion Jewelers to redeem.





#### **Donor: Dominion Jewelers** Value: \$3,500

# **\$500 Veronica Beard Gift Card** with Shopping Party



Are you a fan of Veronica Beard's iconic jackets, classic denim, and amazing style staples? The winner of this fantastic shopping experience will receive a \$500 Veronica Beard gift card, as well as the chance to host a private shopping party at the Veronica Beard boutique in Bethesda, MD. Not only will shoppers at the party receive 10% off their purchases, but 10% of the event proceeds will be donated back to Potomac!

Restrictions: Expires August 1, 2024.

**Donor: Veronica Beard** Value: \$500



### Your Home will BLOOM with Custom Blossom Artwork from Local Artist Jo Edwards

Raised and currently living in the DC area after a long stint in Los Angeles, Jo Edwards has had a passion for making/creating for as long as she can remember (and well before she received a Bachelor's degree in Media Arts & Design from James Madison University).



Jo likes to create everything from fine art with micro pens/pencils to 20-foot murals to graphics to furniture. Inspired by nature, minimalism, pattern, interesting color combination, and light, Jo strives to make art that is a balance of clean precision and modern abstraction.

Work with Jo to create your own custom 30" x 40" blossom piece. Piece will be acrylic molding paste on canvas and archival varnished. Sides will be painted and can be ready to hang but not framed.

**Donor: Jo Edwards** Value: \$3,000

### Custom Ink or Watercolor Drawing of Your Home

Potomac parent and architect/artist Parinaz Bahadori will create a one-of-a-kind 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 to make note cards.

**Donor: Parinaz Bahadori** Value: \$500

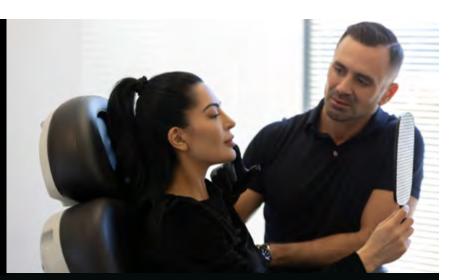


#### Additional items include...

- One-Hour In-Home Design Consultation with Sally Steponkus Roche '94
- \* \$500 Gift Certificate to Tuckernuck
- \* \$500 Gift Certificate to UrbanStems
- \* \$250 Gift Certificate to The Shoe Hive
- And many more online!



# DONTAGE





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# Dontage Medical Aesthetics Center

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Dontage is a cutting-edge med spa located in Fairfax, VA that delivers a unique experience in a setting of complete luxury where attention to detail and outstanding service make patients feel they are receiving the Dontage VIP experience from the moment they walk in the door. The focus at Dontage is simple, we want to provide our patients with an inviting and professional atmosphere where you are to leave feeling beautiful and confident. Our advanced injectors ensure high quality treatments for anti-aging and enhancing facial features for all ages. Our experienced skin care specialists will create a customized anti-aging skin care regimen to keep your skin feeling and looking its absolute best. Call us today to book a complimentary consultation today!!!

# Services we offer

- -Neurotoxin (Botox) -Dermal Filler
- -Threads
- -PRF Treatment
- -Kybella -Laser Facials -Microneeding -Skin Consultation

And much more! Check out our website for more infromation on our services!!!!

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 21, 2024, at noon and closes at the end of the Silent Auction at the event on March 2, 2024. Visit the website at potomacs2024.ggo.bid.

#### **Lower School**

 Math in the Kitchen with Dr. Echols, Ms. Thomas-Fields, and Ms. Malik

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- Ski Lesson and Lunch with Mrs. Harper
- After School Scavenger Hunt and Pizza with Mrs. Mendoza and Mrs. Husain
- Movies and PJs in room 132 with Ms. Zecher and Ms. Callahan
- Hike the Trails of Potomac with the Ms. McIntire
- Hike the Trails of Potomac with Ms. Smith
- Ice Skating with Mr. Gustavson
- Rock Climbing Adventure with Mrs. Hoffmann
- Bring Your Favorite Book to Life with Mrs. Jackson and Ms. Michlik
- Tie Dye Party with Mrs. Jackson
- Taylor Swift Karaoke Party with Ms. Morrissey
- Soccer Party with Mr. McEwen and Four Varsity Players
- 🐮 Slime Party with Ms. Passano
- Two Pottery Classes with Ms. MacKenzie
- Pillow Sewing Party for Three with Mrs. Clayburn
- Rule Breakers Party with Mrs. Brundage and Ms. Downing

- Seneca Regional Park Hike with Mrs. McKinney
- After School Chess Lesson and Snack with Mr. Lu
- Personalized Library Session and Snacks with Ms. O'Hara
- An Afternoon reading with Mrs. Roeder and her Bernedoodles
- Mindfulness Picnic Lunch with Mrs. Lewkowicz
- Maker Session with Ms. Alfaro Moisa: Building Drawbots
- Crumbs and Whiskers Party with Mrs. Tiamiyu and Mrs. Pardesi
- Sports Party with Coach Adamec
- Baseball Party with Mr. Cogdell
- Badminton Party with Mr. Hutton
- Flag Football Skills and Practice Session with JV Football Head Coach Mr. Wolff

#### **Middle School**

- Improv with Mr. Mathews
- Corgi Playdate with Ms. Armstrong and Ms. Harter
- Video Game Showdown with Mr. Mogle
- Ice Cream and Hand Sewn Ornaments with Ms. Chung
- Trampoline Park with Ms. McClain

- Pizza and Karaoke Party with Mr. McNeil
- Pizza and Karaoke Party Mr. Spinosi
- Pasta e Dolce Pasta and Dessert with Mrs. Furr and Mrs. Nelson
- Bowling with Mrs. Fields
- Family Beekeeping Session in the Potomac Apiary with Mr. Wolfe
- Pack of Three Music Lessons with Mr. Nadel
- Lunch and Manicure with Ms. Nagy-Benson
- Celebrate Creativity with Mrs. Dunkelberger

#### **All School & Athletics**

- \* Lunch with Mr. Kowalik
- Trail Mix Making Service Learning Party with Ms. Webster
- 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament with Coach Gayle
- 🛞 Make Dumplings with Ms. Jia
- Nature Photography Workshop with Mr. Clark
- Hour-Long GaliCo Yoga Session with Ms. Helwink
- Pickleball Lesson with Ms. Bolton and Mr. Pinkus
- Lacrosse Skills Clinic with Girls Varsity Head Coach Ms. Berg

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Interview Tips and Strategies while golfing with Mr. Roy

# Buy a Chance to Win the Best of Live Raffe!



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 250 Best of Live raffle tickets will be sold. Tickets are on sale now online at <u>www.potomacschool.org/support-volunteer/scholarship-auction/best-of-live</u> and in the Advancement Office, located in the Flag

Circle Building. Contact Potomac's director of advancement events, Christine Sharkey, at (703) 749-6362 or csharkey@potomacschool.org to buy tickets or if you have questions.

Any remaining tickets will be sold during the Silent Auction on March 2, 2024.

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 their ticket, and that item will be withdrawn from the Live Auction. You do not have to be present to win.

The Seven-Night Stay at Montage Kapalua Bay Maui, Hawaii, Welcome to the Action! VIP F1 Experience in Abu Dhabi, and the Fly in the Luxury of a Private Jet packages are not eligible for the Best of Live raffle.

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

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

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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 March 2.

See a full listing of all wines available at the event at potomacs2024.ggo.bid.

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

If so, **Buy a Spot** at the 2024 auction! The process is easy. Review the selected offerings below. On the auction website, click on the "Buy a Spot" category, find the experience(s) 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. Prices indicated are per person/spot, unless otherwise noted. A full listing of Buy a Spots is available online at potomacs2024.ggo.bid.

#### Explore Fine Wines at WineLAIR Saturday, April 6, 2024

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Immerse yourself in the world of fine wines for an intimate gathering at WineLAIR in DC's West End. Accompanying these exceptional wines are carefully crafted food pairings

that elevate the tasting experience to new heights. Join us for an evening of indulgence and conversation.

This event will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2024 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at WineLAIR. Spots will be sold for \$175 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 12 people.

# WINCLAIR Washington DC

Donors: Tim and Leslie Abbott, Reggie and Dharini Aggarwal, Vipul and Smita Amin, Bob and Christine Genter, George and Alicia McKenzie

#### Cuppa Connection: Afternoon Tea for Parents and Children *Sunday, April 14, 2024*

Join us for this timeless afternoon tradition to create cherished memories with friends. Little ones can enjoy pastries while parents can savor the sophistication of traditional tea service. All children must be chaperoned, with all attendees purchasing tickets to this fun afternoon event.

This event will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2024 from 3:30 to 5:30 pm at Lady Camellia in Old Town, Alexandria for children in grades K-3 and their parents. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, firstserved basis. Limited to 30 attendees.



Donors: , Michelle Davis, Ali Newsome, Lindsey O'Connor, Pamela Barris Rosenthal '03, Maryam Smith, Jennifer Walcott Seventh Grade Girls Mentoring Session with Potomac School Senior, Ella Dowley '24 *Sunday, April 14, 2024* 



Seventh grade girls are invited to dinner with Ella Dowley, a Potomac senior who has committed to row in college. As

a way to help younger members of the Potomac Community navigate seventh grade and beyond, Ella will share the "big sister" advice she wishes she would have received about school, friendships, social media, and more. During the event, the group will create "Welcome to Rowing Kits" for women with breast cancer, discuss what Ella has learned, and enjoy prompts included in a special journal the girls will receive. Attendees will also receive a gift from Bow Ball.

This event will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2024 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at Northside Social in Falls Church. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a first-come, first-served basis and limited to seven spots. Spots are for current seventh grade girls who attend The Potomac School.

#### Donors: Ella Dowley '24, Bow Ball, Northside Social

#### Guys' Night: "Take 'em to School" Poker Tournament *Thursday, April 18, 2024*

Join poker-faced Potomac dads for a fun-filled evening of cards. There will be poker, drinks, bites, and laughs. Compete for bragging rights, top-shelf liquor, and prizes donated by the hosts.

This men's event will be held on Thursday, April 18, 2024, from 6:00 to 10:00 pm, at the home

of Thandi and Adam Stein-Sapir in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$175 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 20 people.



Donors: Jen and Chris Graham, Thandi and Adam Stein-Sapir

#### Relish the Moment: It's Pickleball Time *Saturday, April 20, 2024*

Pickleball is one of the most popular sports in the country. Join your hosts for a night of fun with tournament-style, indoor pickleball, food, and drink. Pros will be on hand to teach the basics and paddles will be provided. This will be a no-pressure, fun-filled event. All skill levels are welcome!

> This adults-only event will be held on April 20, 2024, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at River Bend Club. Spots will be sold for \$100 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 24 spots.

Donors: Julie and Andrew Gerstel, Colleen and Jim Lucier, Heidi and Randy Rodgers, Sushma Sheroy and Amit Saluja

Mind Your Mat Saturday, April 20, 2024



Hip hip hooray, we're excited to offer this CorePower Yoga class on campus taught by certified instructor (and fifth grade Potomac teacher) Adam

#### McNeil! Every now and zen, it's important to make time for yourself, and this class is the perfect opportunity to connect with friends while stretching your limits. After class, chat with your fellow yogis over casual light bites and coffee. You can plank us later because yoganna love this class! Is the yawn the only yoga pose you've perfected? No worries, this class is

suited for all ability levels. Bring your own mat or borrow one at Spangler. Namaste!

This adults-only exercise class will be held on campus in the Fleming Multipurpose Studio in the Spangler Center on Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 8:00 to 9:30 am. Spots will be sold for \$50 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 25 spots.

Donors: Erin Alberto, Lauren Bramlette, Meredith Dannenberg, Alicia McKenzie, Adam McNeil

#### Nacho Average Party! Saturday, April 27, 2024

No time for a siesta, it's time to fiesta! Tacos and tequila are on the menu and make the perfect pairing for this festive evening at Mission Dupont. A buffet



dinner, open bar, and good friends are sure to make for a memorable evening. Olé!

This event will be held on Saturday, April 27, from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. Spots will be sold for \$150 on a first-come, first-served basis. Adults only, limited to 75 people.



Donors:

Julie and Reed Landry '99, Kim and Buck Owen, Kiley and John Ohly '01, Sarah Murphy Starr '99 and Shooter Starr, and Mission Group

#### Mixology 101 Tuesday, April 30, 2024

Ever want to mix it up a bit and create a signature drink at your own party? Join us for an evening of hands-on instruction from SHAKEN LA to get the best out of your home bar. Learn how to properly shake, stir, and measure cocktails, create syrups and juices, and so much more! Every participant takes home a SHAKEN LA recipe book with detailed recipes and step by step explanations of each technique. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served.



This ladies-only event will be held on Tuesday, April 30 at Congressional Country Club from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Spots will be sold for \$150 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 44 spots.

Donors: Erin Antosh, Meredith Murphy Craven '02, Amy Fahnestock, Pamela Barris Rosenthal '03, Sarah Murphy Starr '99, and Heather Zimmerman

#### Ultimate Playdate Monday, May 6, 2024

With no school on Monday, May 6, let the kids have fun with friends at an idyllic backyard playdate! Guaranteed to bring smiles and burn energy, supervised activities offered will include a bounce house and inflatable obstacle course, basketball, cornhole, trampoline, and games supervised and led by Coach Omar of The Fundamentals Academy — plus a shaved ice truck!



This is a drop off event for kids in grades K-3 and will run from 9:00 to 11:30 am on Monday, May 6, at the residence of Bethany Ritchey in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$50 per child on a firstcome, first-served basis. Limited to 40 spots. This is a shine-only event.

Donors: Jackie and Joe Daly, Bethany Ritchey, Jenny and Boyd Steinhoff

#### Let's Go to the Movies! Monday, May 6, 2024

Schedule an afternoon of movie fun for your children on Monday, May 6 (a professional day for Potomac faculty). You and your children can enjoy Kung Fu Panda 4 at



the CinéBistro in the Tysons Galleria Mall.

The event will be held at 1:00 pm on Monday, May 6. All ticket purchases will include popcorn and soft drinks. Spots will be sold for \$40 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. All children must be chaperoned, with all attendees purchasing tickets to this fun afternoon event. Limited to 75 movie-goers.

*Donors: Rachna and Nitin Goyal, Annie Harris Kettler '05 and Taylor Kettler '02, and Lauren and Kevin Woodley* 

#### Beautiful Blossoms Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Join a leading DC-area florist as they demonstrate the art of flower arranging. Receive step-by-step instructions while creating your own spring-inspired display. Once your floral

> masterpiece is complete, 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 Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 11:00 am at the home of Rachel Sheridan in McLean. Spots will be sold for \$150 per person on a first-come, firstserved basis. Limited to 35 spots.

Donors: Katy Moser and Rachel Sheridan



#### Master Mahjong! *Thursday, May 9, 2024*

Calling all Mahjong mavens and newbies! Enjoy lunch and socializing before a lesson in Mahjong from two instructors who will be ready to teach players of all levels. It'll be Mahjong madness!

This adults-only event will be held at the home of Kristin Jensen and Mina Faltas '96 on Thursday, May 9, 2024 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-



come, first-served basis. Limited to 16 spots.

Donors: Alicia Downs, Kristin Jensen, Mary Leigh Morrison, and Anne Walther

#### Bash Boxing Class Saturday, May 11, 2024

Step into the ring for an exhilarating fitness experience with our Bash Boxing session! This isn't just another workout - it's a full body journey that will challenge and empower you. Upon arrival you will be equipped with your own set of boxing gloves and wraps, ensuring a safe and authentic boxing experience.

Whether you're a seasoned boxer or lacing up your gloves for the first time, our session is designed for all skill levels. You'll punch, jab, and duck your way through a series of guided routines that combine the intensity of boxing

with a full-body workout. Get ready to sweat, sculpt, and unleash your inner champion at Bash Boxing! The event will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 1:00 pm at Bash Boxing Ballston. Spots will be sold for \$65 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 42 spots. Must be 13 or older to participate. Ages 13-15 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Ages 16-17 may participate with a parent or guardian signature.

#### Donors: Rena and Sherif Abdalla

#### Unwined with Us! Thursday, May 16, 2024

Relax, "unwined," and indulge with Vanessa Moore, owner and proprietor of Unwined Alexandria, who will lead a specially curated wine tasting with Potomac friends. Kick back, learn more about what tickles your palate, and enjoy some light bites.



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This ladies-only event will take place on Thursday, May 16, 2024 from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at Unwined Belle View in Alexandria. Spots will be sold for \$125

per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 20 spots.

Donors: Laura Bennett, Ashley Chamberlain, Becky Tromblay, and Unwined Alexandria



Let's Get Cray with a Crawfish Boil! Saturday, May 18, 2024



Whether you're a crawfish connoisseur or a first-timer, this casual event is the perfect opportunity to indulge in great food and come out of your shell with even better company. So come on down and get ready for a fingerlicking good time.

This adults-only event will be held at the home of Christine Wang and Wes Yuan on the afternoon of Saturday, May 18, 2024. Spots will be sold for \$150 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 75 spots.

Donors: Amy Ai, Angie Goff and Bob Ellis, Jen Millard, Malvika and Mike Paddock, Jenny and Barrett Thornhill, Christine Wang and Wes Yuan, Ying Wang

#### Game, Set, Lunch! Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Tennis anyone? Join in the fun and connect with Potomac's vibrant tennis community! Belle Haven Country Club pros will lead a lively cardio tennis warm up and a round-robin, followed by an outdoor luncheon. Join your hosts in a highenergy fitness activity that is appropriate for lady tennis lovers of all skill levels and combines the best features of tennis with cardiovascular exercise and friendly competition.

This ladies-only event will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at noon at Belle Haven Country Club in Alexandria. Spots will be sold for \$125

per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Minimum eight and maximum of 16 tennis-loving players!

Donors: Caroline DenHerder, Kelly Lange, Sarah Lipson, and Kristin Carlucci Weed '98

#### Elevated Eats! A Chef's Dinner Friday, May 31, 2024

Indulge in an intimate culinary experience with a private dinner featuring local rising star chefs, Rachel and Marissa Bindel. Begin the evening with welcome cocktails and light bites before moving on to a seated four-course dinner with beverage pairings — all part of a special menu crafted just for us.

Currently, Rachel serves as Chef de Cuisine (CDC) at Cielo Rojo. Previously, she was CDC at Michelinstarred Gravitas. She was one of four



up-and-coming chefs selected to participate in DC Central Kitchen's 2023 Capitol Food Fight, the much-anticipated annual event raising funds for hunger-fighting and job training programs, and was recognized by San Pellegrino as one of the top ten best young chefs in America in 2022. Marissa currently serves as Pastry and Retail Manager for Tatte Bakery & Cafe, and was previously Corporate Pastry Sous Chef of 101 Hospitality (Gravitas, Michele's, Baker's Daughter). The married couple met working at a restaurant while attending the Culinary Institute of America in New York.

This adults-only event will be held at the home of Dana and Michael Rocks at 6:30 pm on Friday, May 31, 2024. Spots will be sold for \$200 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Allergies/dietary restrictions will be accommodated. Limited to 16 spots.

Donors: Amanda and Andrew Lawrence, Dana and Michael Rocks

Game Night Saturday, June 1, 2024



Come join friends new and old for a Game Night. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a total newbie, this is your ticket to an evening filled with laughter, strategy, and endless fun.

There will be snacks and drinks and an eclectic mix of interactive games that will cater to different interests and skill levels! No experience required!

This adults-only event will be held at the home of Hallie and Auren Hoffman on the evening of Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 8:00 to 10:00 pm. Spots will be sold for \$75 per person on a firstcome, first-served basis. Limited to 30 spots.

Donors: Hallie and Auren Hoffman

#### Let's Kick Axe! Friday, September 13, 2024

Want to feel like a Bad Axe and learn a new skill? Who knows when learning to throw an axe will come in handy, especially on Friday the 13th... be prepared for the zombie apocalypse, bear attacks while camping, or whatever else the 2024-25 school year brings.

Join us and other Potomac parents for this unique skill building experience at Bad Axe Alexandria on Friday, September 13, 2024. Dinner and drinks will be included.

This adults-only event will be held at Bad Axe Alexandria on the evening of Friday, September 13, 2024 from 8:00 to 9:30 pm. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 40 spots.

Donors: Amber and Max Westland, Carol and Michael Davis, Jan Leu nd Andy Kim, Heather and David Pearce, and Brandi and Jeff White

#### Kids Get Cooking! Friday, October 25, 2024

Kick off Halloween weekend by learning how to make tasty, seasonal treats at Cookology in Ballston. Families can take advantage of the Potomac Professional Day on Friday, October 25, by joining this children's cooking class. Instruction will be provided by a team of fun, professional chefs as the kids learn to cook and create a Halloween inspired treat!

This kid's (grades K-3) event will be held on Friday, October 25, at 10:00 am. All children need to be accompanied by an adult. Spots are limited to 25 children on a first-come, firstserved basis. Ticket price is \$100 per child (chaperones are free!).



Donors: Alison Amann, Camille Gaffney, Stephanie Amann Kapsis '01



MS/IS PaintBar Night for Parents and Kids! *Friday, October 25, 2024* 



Make the most of your day off from school with a paint-filled adventure for the whole family! Join us at Muse PaintBar in Ballston for a special MS/IS Kids and Parents Paint Together event, where creativity knows no age limit. Unleash your inner artist with step-by-step guidance from a skilled instructor. No experience needed – just bring your imagination! Snacks provided.

This event for kids in grades 4 - 8 and their parents will be held on Friday, October 25, 2024 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. All children need to be accompanied by a designated adult with all attendees purchasing a ticket. Limited to 35 spots on a first-come, firstserved basis. Ticket price is \$75 per person.

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# Exclusive SoulCycle Class for You and Friends

Saturday, November 16, 2024

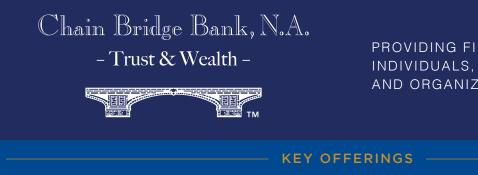
Get ready to elevate your fitness game and join friends for this exclusive SoulCycle Class! This exclusive offering promises to ignite your passion for indoor cycling while supporting the Potomac community. SoulCycle is a 45-minute highintensity, indoor cycling cardio workout. Their signature class is designed to strengthen your mind, body and with instructors through distinct sections of climbs, sprints choreography, weights and an iconic soulful moment. Be prepared for a potential surprise guest SPIN instructor known to the Potomac community! Raffle drawings for fun prizes also included.

This event will be held on Saturday, November 16, 2024 at 1:00 pm. Spots will be sold for \$100 per rider on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 50 riders. Riders should be 4'11" on the day of the ride and be at least 18 years old. Please arrive at least 20 minutes prior to the start of class the day of the event. Shoes and water will be provided.

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Join us for a ladies outing to the picturesque Stone Tower Winery, where the vineyard meets creativity, and memories are uncorked. We'll taste wines as we tour the property, have lunch in the barn, and then dive into the world of wreath-making, as we create a personalized masterpiece with an array of seasonal blooms and greens.

This adults-only event will be held at Stone Tower Winery on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 from 8:30 am to 2:45 pm (back in time for pick up!). Spots will be sold for \$200 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 42 spots. Please note that transportation is provided.



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#### Let's Get Trivial Friday, February 7, 2025

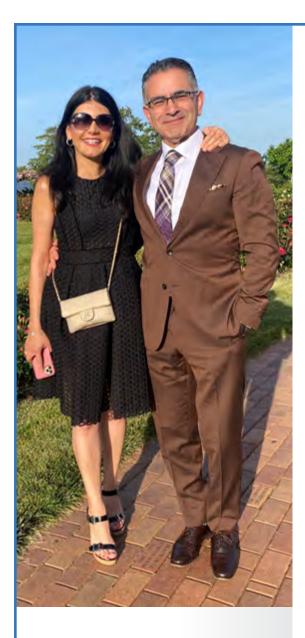
Back by popular demand, it's Trivia Night with political analyst Chris Cillizza. This exciting evening features cocktails, dinner, several rounds of trivia, and prizes with friends old and new. Showcase your knowledge of politics, pop culture, sports, and more as you puzzle over who was the first left-handed president and who made Taylor Swift's Travis Kelce jacket. Whether you're a trivia buff or newbie, this party is for you!

This adults-only event will be held at Washington Golf and Country Club on the evening of Friday, February 7, 2025. Spots will be sold for \$125 per person on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited to 100 spots.



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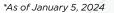
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