Making This the Most Successful All Charities Weekend Ever

You can help make this season’s All Charities Weekend (Feb. 6 and 7) a record breaker no matter where you are, on- or off-the Reef. It’s easy—simply take a seat at your computer or pick up your smart phone or tablet and go online to www.orfoud.org. Proceed as directed when you click on the website’s All Charities ribbon, within minutes, you’ll find that bidding is as easily accessible as your favorite app.

But first, treat yourself to a journey through the catalog inserted in this edition of Dean Ray Press—you’ll see that a lot of people and organizations have donated fantastic items and experiences to pique your interest. Enjoy it, read it, study it, make it your own; call your friends and chart strategies.

Then go online. Silent Auction bidding is available 24/7 beginning today.

Lounge in bed and bid on fine wines to drink some night next month. Sit by the pool and try for a driving tour through the Austrian Alps next summer or a leaf-peeping adventure in Vermont next fall. Burn some calories on the treadmill so you can go to the Flynn’s Famous Pizza Party or indulge in a year of Lucky Lucy Chocolates’ Truffle of the Month.

Once on the website, the process is self-explanatory. Place your opening bid on an item and set your maximum; whenever a competing bid outdoes yours, the system will respond on your behalf up to your established limit.

New this year—EARLY BID CLOSINGS:
Several items will be awarded to the winning bidders at three different EARLY junctures (winner need not be present):
+ 6:30 p.m. FRIDAY (“Friday Specials,” Auction Catalog, p. 33)
+ 6:30 p.m. SATURDAY (“Saturday Specials,” Auction Catalog, pp. 33 and 34), and
+ BUCKET RAFFLE drawing at 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Auction Catalog, p. 35). Bucket Raffle winners will be chosen from the tickets deposited at the Silent Auction Showcase in Heron Hall.

NB: Because additional early-closing items may have been added after the catalog went to press, also check online.

If you are on the Reef, please join us Friday, Feb. 6, in Heron Hall from 4 to 7 p.m. for the start of the Silent Auction Showcase and a community wine tasting. Peruse the Silent Auction items while visiting with your friends and neighbors. The $25 ticket will cover your Saturday daytime entry as well (if you are attending the Saturday night gala, Friday and Saturday admission is included).

Saturday’s 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. continuation of the Silent Auction Showcase will include a wine tasting from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the weekend will culminate with the Giving Hearts Ball and Live Auction that night.

So starting today, bid early, and often. With your help, this season’s All Charities Weekend will go over the top.

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