# Silent Auction Booklet 2014



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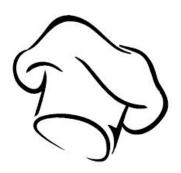
**IMPORTANT!** 

Be sure to read pages 1–6 before starting to bid!



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# Welcome to the Gourmets for God Silent Auction 2014!



## Silent Auction Dates Bid online and on campus!

## **ONLINE at SpiritualLiving.org/gourmets:**

Friday, April 25, 9:00am – Wednesday, May 14, 9:00pm

## **ON CAMPUS:**

Sundays, April 27, May 4, May 11 and May 18, 8:30am – 12:30pm

## **FINAL Sunday Rolling Close:**

Sunday, May 18, 12:30pm - 12:45pm



Use our QR code to visit **SpiritualLiving.org/gourmets** 



This fun and unique fundraiser, for the Center for Spiritual Living, Seattle, brings together members of our spiritual community, along with friends and family, to meet, eat and create wonderful

memories, all the while raising funds to support our spiritual home.

Almost 100 community members will be hosting over 60 events this year, offering every imaginable form of culinary entertainment with love, passion and creativity. You'll find casual picnics, elegant meals and fun outings—all great ways to meet fellow congregants and make new friends!

Now's your opportunity to bid on the chance to attend one or more of these fabulous events! Anyone can bid! The majority of events take place between June 13 and December 31, 2014, with one offered in February, 2015.

#### How does it work?

If you've participated in other silent auctions before, you've most likely bid to buy the whole event. In *Gourmets for God*, you're bidding for one seat or "spot" at an event.



- Register to bid either ONLINE or ON CAMPUS. You won't be able to place a valid bid without registering. Your bid is financially binding and your credit card will be charged for all events you do win. See p. 2 for details.
- ► There are events for every budget. Some events have Buy-It-Now pricing or Family pricing. Visit the family table! See p. 3 for details.
- ▶ **To bid:** If an event allows for ten guests, four spots will be listed ONLINE and six spots ON CAMPUS. ONLINE, bidders choose *one* of the four spots listed to bid on, each spot having a separate bid "race." ON CAMPUS, participating bidders bid for the six spots in *one single race*, with the top six bidders each winning one of the six spots. Whether bidding ONLINE or ON CAMPUS, bid for more than one seat if you want to bring a friend or partner. *See p. 3 for details*.
- ► The week after the auction closes, bidder's credit cards will be charged, and both hosts and winners will be notified of the final guest list. See p. 6 for details.

## That's it. Have fun! Eat well! Bid early and bid often!

## Start at our Online Silent Auction Home Page

Here you will find links to the silent auction site and our online program guide, as well as a PDF of this booklet.



SpiritualLiving.org/gourmets

## Registration

#### ONLINE

Go to SpiritualLiving.org/gourmets and click on the Silent Auction Pro link: SuctionPro. View items by *grid* or *list*. Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email from our Silent Auction Team. Remember, ONLINE bidding goes live Friday, April 25.



#### ON CAMPUS—Celebration Hall middle lobby

Register and submit a valid credit card at the auction registration table to receive a bid number. Volunteers are happy to explain the financial guidelines for participating in the auction.

## Special pricing options

Look for the "special pricing" colored label on some bid sheets for great deals!

#### **Buy-It-Now pricing (only ON CAMPUS)**

No bidding necessary—just enter your bid number on the bid sheet and you're good to go! Your credit card will be charged the Buy-It-Now price. Add your bid number early—these events go fast!



#### **Family pricing**

A certain number of children may attend, included in the price of one adult. Look for the special table just for these events at the ON CAMPUS silent auction!

## **Bidding**

Each event has spots available ONLINE and ON CAMPUS (exceptions are the Buy-It-Now spots that are only available ON CAMPUS).

ONLINE, each spot is bid upon as its own item and has a separate bid history. ON CAMPUS, the top bidders on the sheet will win, all having bid on one sheet for all spots.

### ONLINE bidding works like this:

Bid ONLINE from Friday, April 25 until 9:00pm, Wednesday, May 14, 2014. The software will keep track of the winning bids.

Within the ONLINE auction, the highest bid at 9:00pm on May 14 is the winner for that spot. Once the ONLINE auction closes, all remaining spots will be added to the ON CAMPUS auction, in time for the final bidding session, 8:30am to 12:30pm, Sunday, May 18. (Rolling close starts at approx. 12:30pm.)

## ON CAMPUS bidding works like this:

Let's say you'd like to attend an Italian dinner for ten guests (remember, six spots ON CAMPUS and four ONLINE). Enter your bid on the bid sheet, keeping in mind the minimum bid as well as the bid increments of either \$2 or \$5. Of course, you can bid as high as you want from the start, especially if you really want to

attend this dinner! Once six valid bids have been entered, the seventh bid will bump the lowest LAST bidder off the guest list. In other words, **ON CAMPUS**, the first bid at a certain amount wins over the next bid at the same amount. That's why it's a good idea to bid early and bid often! Keep checking the bid sheet—if you were outbid, counter with a higher bid on a new line at the bottom of the list. To help bidders keep track, a Gourmets for God volunteer will monitor the bid sheets, crossing out bids that have been bumped off by a higher bid. In the end, the highest six bidders will have won spots at the event.

## ON CAMPUS bidding example:

Italian dinner event: 10 guests (6 ON CAMPUS/4 ONLINE)

Opening bid price: \$25, bid increment: \$5

	Amt.	Bid#	- Mally
1.	\$25	003	
2.	\$25	003	
3.	\$50	015	Winner #3 (early and high!)
4.	\$50	015	Winner #4
5.	\$25	008	
6.	\$35	022	
7.	\$35	047	
8.	\$60	800	Winner #1
9.	\$35	029	
10.	\$45	036	Winner #6 (last winner, first to bid \$45)
11.	\$45	003	
12.	\$45	003	
13.	\$50	029	Winner #5
14.	\$55	022	Winner #2

## Planning/bidding strategies

Make sure you have your calendar close when you're bidding.

**Keep an eye on your bids**—You're bidding for a fabulous bike ride and picnic, however, you keep getting outbid! <sup>②</sup> Move to another event that also had caught your eye. Seeing this early can give you the chance to get in a winning bid on another great event! <sup>③</sup>

One strategy is to bid ONLINE first, and see if you win there. (ONLINE bidding closes before ON CAMPUS bidding does.) If you don't win, try again the following Sunday in the last hours of ON CAMPUS bidding. This can be a gamble – are you up for it?;-)

## ONLINE and ON CAMPUS bidding!



There are two places to bid. Be aware—if you bid for the same event ONLINE and ON CAMPUS, you could win in both places!

## Winner and Lead Host notification

All credit cards will be processed the week of May 19, after the auction closes. Winners will receive an emailed receipt from noreply@SilentAuction.com with results and event details.

Lead Hosts will also be notified by email with a list of their winners and contact info at least two months prior to their event. June and July events will be notified by mid-May.

It is highly suggested that Lead Hosts contact Winners about particular details and location information a month prior to their event.

## Auction etiquette

Please honor the generous hosts who have planned and organized for months to offer you a fabulous experience! Imagine slicing and dicing for days, and setting a striking table for eight, and then two individuals just don't show up. It's heartbreaking! If you cannot attend an event, please do everything possible to fill your seat by gifting or selling the spot to a friend or family member—they'll thank you for it!

All auction events assume no smoking, no alcohol served, no pets, and not handicap accessible (ADA), unless otherwise indicated in the item information.

We appreciate all of our marvelous, generous hosts and chefs.

We appreciate all of our generous bidders.



We appreciate our dedicated and devoted Gourmets for God Volunteer Leadership Team: Sherry Dawley, Brian Eckfeldt, Deborah Esposito, Joey Nessif, Kathy Thorsen, support volunteers and CSL Staff.

Thanks for supporting our CSL Church and Community.

## Very important to remember:

- Check your calendars before bidding. If you
  win an event spot but then find you are unable
  to attend, honor the hosts by gifting or
  reselling your spot to a friend or family
  member.
- 3. Each bidder must bid on a separate line. If you are a couple or family, please use a separate line for each person. We cannot add extra seats to an event if a couple's or family's bids are split, so bid accordingly (i.e., early and high) to win the spots you want. The only exception is the family pricing events—one line is a bid for the adult, who may bring as many children as indicated for that particular event.
- 4. **Events raise by a \$2 or \$5 increment.** When you are raising a bid, note the *minimum raise increment* for that event.
- 5.

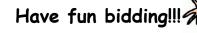
Do not erase, cross out or in any other way change an entered bid. See point #1! If you decide to raise your bid while a previous bid of yours is still in play, ask a volunteer wearing a chef's hat to assist you.

6. **Possible cancellation.** If, at the end of the auction, an event has less than 50% of its spots won, the host has the opportunity to cancel the event. The bid amounts will not be charged.



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- PAYMENTS: All sales are final. No refunds will be given. All
  payments are processed the week after the auction closes.
  No deferred payments.
- 9. All proceeds from the Gourmets for God auction benefit the Center for Spiritual Living, Seattle.





## Center for Spiritual Living's 2014 Gourmets for God Silent Auction events

## **JUNE 2014**

#### GREEN TEA AND GREEN THUMBS



#### **DEATH BY CHOCOLATE**

**SUNDAY, 6/15/14** A progressive dessert party where each new dessert is slightly more decadent than the last. TIME: 7pm–10pm LOCATION: 1712 NW 64th St., Seattle, 98107 HOST: Colt de Wolf (206-352-9113) CHEF: Lisa Hamrick **GUESTS: 6** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$25

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Details: Host has pet. A12

#### HIGH SEAS ADVENTURE—JUNE

SATURDAY, 6/21/14 Cruise around the lake aboard the Rameys' ADVENTURE and the Thorsens' TEN KEI, past the homes of the rich and famous, anchoring near Seward Park for a marvelous gourmet lunch. Dinghy mini-adventures are an option. You'll be home in time to go out and dance 'til dawn. TIME: 10am—5pm LOCATION: The Ramey's, 2936 Fuhrman E, Seattle, 98102 HOSTS: Kathy and Mike Thorsen (425-776-7088) & Sharon and Paul Ramey CHEF: Michelle Thomas GUESTS: 20 BUY-IT-NOW per Guest: \$85 NOTES: Wear soft-soled shoes and bring layered clothing.

Details: Alcohol served. A1400

#### REGIONAL ITALIAN CELEBRATION DINNER

SATURDAY, 6/21/14 A festive dinner created from the chef's enjoyment of a cooking class in Verona, Italy. The organic dinner begins with antipasti overlooking the beach, returning indoors to enjoy regional dishes, including wine, roasted lamb, and several vegetarian options. Dinner finishes with an amazing Sicilian pistachio cake. We will walk one block from house to beach, weather permitting. TIME: 5pm—9pm LOCATION: 10008 Richwood Ave. NW, Seattle, 98177 HOST: Catherine Farrar (206-409-5953) CoHOST/CHEF: Bucky Farquhar GUESTS: 6 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A15

#### ALMOST BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, 6/22/14 or ANY SUNDAY, 2014 Breakfast for two with D. at a diner that's been featured on the Food Channel. Date is flexible, so if June 22 doesn't work we can reschedule. TIME: 1:45pm—Open LOCATION: Down the road from CSL, Seattle, 98105 HOST: D Corrigan (206-781-5805) GUESTS: 2 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$20

Details: Smoking outside. A42

#### FAMILY FUN AT PARAMOUNT PARK

SUNDAY, 6/22/14 The perfect event for parents with small children. Covered grilling and eating space (food and drinks provided). Playground for the little ones, skate park for bigger ones. Bike path and fields to ride and play in. Eat, play, relax. TIME: 2:30pm—6:30pm LOCATION: Paramount Park, 155th St, and 8th Ave, NE, Shoreline HOST & COOK: Peter Hannah (206-799-6566) CoHOSTS: Jen and Finn Hannah SPOTS: 25 (Family pricing! Each spot allows for 1 adult and 1 child.) BUY-IT-NOW per Spot: \$10

Details: A1500



#### MAKE SACRED ART WITH KATHIANNE IN JUNE

**SATURDAY, 6/28/14** Make a wonderful piece of sacred art for your altar! Kathianne will provide materials and serve scrumptious snacks. TIME: 11am–4pm LOCATION: Address to be provided. HOST: Rev. Kathianne Lewis **GUESTS: 6** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$75

Details: Host has pet. A73

#### **VEGAN HEAVEN**

SATURDAY, 6/28/14 Join us for a slice of heaven! Bring your open heart and mind to savor beauty and well-being of a rich plant base meal. Fresh vegetables and herbs will bring your taste buds alive while honoring creatures big and small who we share the planet with. Come celebrate life in all its glory! TIME: 6:30pm—9:30pm LOCATION: 1130 N 83rd St., Seattle, 98103 HOSTS/COOKS: Sandy Fox (206-322-9899) and Dave Wilder CoHOSTS: Alinda and Richard Page GUESTS: 11 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: A74

#### BRUNCH BUNCH WITH CHRIS AND CAROL

SUNDAY, 6/29/14 Come savor a mouthwatering gourmet brunch overflowing with a cornucopia of options like organic fruit, rib and pear benedict, spiced blintzes, kumquat chevre, mole pork omelette. That's what we're talking about, and the best brunch chat around Seattle. TIME: 1pm—3pm LOCATION: Portage Bay Cafe, 4130 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, 98105 HOSTS: Chris Carter (206-819-5657) and Carol Mastenbrook GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 NOTES: Offers gluten-free and vegetarian options.

*Details:* ADA-approved space. Alcohol served. Age 21+ event.



#### CAMP WENDT AT LAKE TAPPS FOR GROWN UPS!

**SUNDAY, 6/29/14** Spaghetti with homemade sauce (eggplant parmesan) and homemade apple pie with ice cream, of course. But first, kayaking, swimming, floating on air mattress or relaxing on lawn chairs. TIME: 1pm–8pm LOCATION: 6423 S. Island Dr., Bonney Lake, 98391 HOST & CHEF: Michael Wendt (253-720-9165) **GUESTS: 12**, MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: BYOB. Age 21+ event. A113

#### COME AS YOU WILL BE IN 2019!

SUNDAY, 6/29/14 Put your intentions in motion! Arrive as who you will be five years from now. Speak only in the present tense the entire evening, as if it were already 2019, all your goals have been achieved, and all your dreams have already come true. Bring props to show everyone what you have achieved in the years between. We'll enjoy bubbly and an Italian dinner buffet, in celebration of the future success you will be planting. Event idea originates from "The Success Principle" by world famous author Jack Canfield. Dress in your very best. TIME: 5pm–8pm LOCATION: 6511 48th Ave. NE, Seattle, 98115 HOST: Al Parisi (206-679-2733) CoHOSTS: Katie and Craig Riss GUESTS: 20 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A90



## **JULY 2014**

### **BACKYARD BBQ AND FIREWORKS IN KENMORE**

FRIDAY, 7/4/14 Watch the Kenmore Fireworks from the best seat in the house! Our backyard. We'll feed you a succulent BBQ dinner with real meat and delicious desserts. All gluten-free! Come mingle with friends, play croquet, and be dazzled. TIME: 6:30pm–10:30pm LOCATION: 5831 NE 182nd St., Kenmore, 98028 HOSTS/CHEFS: Carrie Sjaarda (206-953-1380)/Don Beaty

GUESTS: 12 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served. A136

#### OLD FASHIONED FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

FRIDAY, 7/4/14 Come enjoy a traditional Fourth of July BBQ, then gather around the piano to sing some of those great old songs: Yankee Doodle, America the Beautiful and so on.

Afterwards we'll have a close-up view of the fabulous Edmonds fireworks. TIME: 6pm—end of fireworks LOCATION: 315 8th Ave. N, Edmonds, 98020 HOSTS: Jennifer Bundy (206-362-4592), Laurie Sorenson, Sue Mills, Marilyn Gregory COOKS: Jennifer Bundy & Laurie Sorenson GUESTS: 30, BUY-IT-NOW per Guest: \$35 NOTES: Expect a (possible) long walk from parking space. Bring folding chair.

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served. A1300

#### THE BOUNTY OF WASHINGTON

SATURDAY, 7/12/14 Revel in an spectacular evening enjoying the best Washington has to offer. A tasting of fine Washington wines presented by a wine-tour Sommelier, paired with Northwest appetizers designed by a Cordon Bleu Chef. TIME: 7pm—10pm LOCATION: 22924 7th Ave. SE, Bothell, 98021 HOSTS: Frank (206-550-9777) and Barbara Selden CHEF: Patty Moreno GUESTS: 12 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 NOTES: Special diets supported.

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A172

#### **NORTHWEST WOMEN'S DELIGHT**

SATURDAY, 7/12/14 Join our host Karen, musician Tiger, and chef Barbara for the day enjoying nature, acoustic music, and a delicious summer bbq. We'll hike in the forest, visit waterfalls, then relax and dine along the banks of the Skykomish river. Ritual will find its way into our day, along with lots of laughter. TIME: 12:30pm–8:30pm LOCATION: 17811 433rd Ave. SE, Goldbar, 98251 HOST: Karen Joy (425-894-3063) MUSICIAN: Tiger Zane COOK: Barbara Novak GUESTS: 10 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$40

Details: Northwest wines with dinner.

Host has pet. A182

#### HAVANA FIESTA

**SATURDAY, 7/19/14** Come play dominoes and enjoy delightfully tasty traditional Cuban food, drink and festive traditional music! Join us for some Fiesta Fun! TIME: 4pm–8pm LOCATION: 14711 39th Ave. NE, Lake Forest Park, 98155 HOSTS: David (206-361-2667) & Meg Missen **GUESTS: 10** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Host as pet. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A220

#### BBQ AND PADDLE BOARDING

**SATURDAY, 7/19/14** Come paddle with us on Spanaway Lake and enjoy BBQ hamburgers and bonfire with smores! Strawberry daiquiris optional:) TIME: 4pm–10pm LOCATION: 1024 152nd Street South, Spanaway, 98387 HOSTS/CHEFS: Gary (253-720-8184) and Tasha Hill **GUESTS: 8** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 *Details:* Alcohol served.

#### GEOCACHING TREASURE HUNT PICNIC

SATURDAY, 7/19/14 Join us at Magnuson Park to hunt down geocaches on the site. Then return to our starting point for a delightful picnic. Cool and kinda nerdy event for the whole family! Geocache and exact location information will be sent to attendees via email. TIME: 1pm—5pm LOCATION: 7400 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, 98115 HOST: Tamara Nyren (253-632-8204) CHEF: Johnathan Stevens GUESTS: 12 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Smoking outside. Host has pet. ADA-approved space. Alcohol served.

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#### FUN - FIT - FEAST

**SATURDAY, 7/19/14** Join us in a Seattle Park for some fun being fit and feasting on healthy foods! LeeAnn will facilitate the group through easy, fun Feldenkrais movements and Franci will be the chief chef for a healthy fresh feast. TIME: 3pm—5pm LOCATION: Park Picnic Shelter TBD, Seattle, 98125 HOST: LeeAnn Starovasnik (206-372-8822) CoHOST/CHEF: Franci Pease **GUESTS: 10** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: A211

#### THANKSGIVING POTLUCK IN JULY 2014

SATURDAY, 7/19/14 Share a summer Thanksgiving dinner with dear friends! Each guest brings their favorite side dish from the past to share. Jan and Arnie provide the turkey and beverages. TIME: 2pm–6pm LOCATION: 21425 Damson Rd., Bothell, 98021 HOSTS: Jan Viney (425-776-0417) and Arnie Marcus GUESTS: 20 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$25 NOTES: Special diets supported.

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A240

#### MAKE SACRED ART WITH KATHIANNE IN JULY

**SUNDAY, 7/20/14** Make a wonderful piece of sacred art for your altar! Kathianne will provide materials and serve scrumptious snacks. TIME: 1pm–5pm LOCATION: Address to be provided HOST: Rev. Kathianne Lewis **GUESTS: 6** MINIMUM BID per

Guest: \$75

Details: Host has pet. A253



#### IMAGINE INDIA AS YOU DINE

SATURDAY, 7/26/14 Tantalize your senses with the aromas, tastes, sights, and sounds of India. Dine on lamb, chicken, seafood, summer vegetables, dahl, and naan. Wash it down with a Kingfisher beer or choose a house beverage. Greet the muchloved Ganesha, the Hindu God of Wisdom and Success. See the CSL 2013 India travel group in photos as we make our way through temples, palaces, villages, and cities. (Bring a wrap for patio dining.) TIME: 6:30pm—9:30pm LOCATION: 7701 Lakemont Dr., Seattle, 98115 HOSTS: Dyan Pfitzenmeier (206-595-2737)/Gary Gorder CHEFS: Dyan & Mary Sisson GUESTS: 10 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served. A264

#### EAT AND PLAY DOWN ON THE FARM

**SATURDAY, 7/26/14** Come pick fruits and berries, enjoy a vegetarian meal (picking your own salad if you desire), play croquet, bocce ball and ping pong, drum and toast marshmallows around the fire circle, tour New Earth Farm, a (nearly) sustainable suburban permaculture farm, and watch a conscious movie in the media room. TIME: 3pm—10pm LOCATION: 22336 NE 85th St., Redmond, 98053 HOST/CHEF: Tom Armstrong (425-241-2425)

**GUESTS: 8** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Age 21+ event. A270

#### CHEESEBURGERS IN PARADISE WITH LIVE BAND!

SATURDAY, 7/26/14 Join us for breathtaking views, fresh organic local ingredients, tequila tasting and CSL's own Andrea Weatherhead with her rockin' band the Fair Weatherheads. Join the Fun! TIME: 5pm–9pm LOCATION: 2209 Mukilteo Speedway, Mukilteo, 98275 HOSTS: Gladys Gillis and Julie Keim CoHOSTS: Libby Wagner, Cathy Lindsay and Diann Durbin (206-526-8744). GUESTS: 40 BUY-IT-NOW per Guest: \$45 NOTES: Meat and vegetarian options available.

Details: ADA-approved space.

Host has pet. Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A1200

#### CRAZY HATS CROQUET AND BOCCE BALL BBQ

SUNDAY, 7/27/14 Lawn games followed by a sit down dinner outside in the garden. Grilled salmon, crab cakes, vegetarian deeelish dishes and desserts with wines and non-alcohol beverages. Wear a crazy creative hat and bring your playful spirit! People only, no pets. Please call hosts if you have bocce or croquet sets to share. TIME: 4pm–7:30pm LOCATION: 12045 Phinney Ave N, Seattle, 98133 HOSTS: Lyndon Davis (206-724-6821)/Garth Streeter CHEFS: Lynne Russell, Jenifer Middlebrooks GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Host has pet. Age 21+ event.

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## AUGUST 2014

#### **BLUEBERRY FIELDS FOREVER! 2014**

SUNDAY, 8/3/14 Fabulous family event, fifth year running! Sweet, warm berries, picked right off the bush, served atop angel food cake, smothered with whipped cream, if you like. (Of course you do!) Blueberry bushes surround beautiful Larson Lake, the perfect spot for picnic blankets in the shade on a hot summer day! TIME: 2pm-4pm LOCATION: Larson Lake Blueberry Farm, 700 148th Ave. SE, Bellevue, 98007 HOST: Deborah Esposito (425-747-2970) SPOTS: 30 (Family pricing! Each spot admits 1 adult and 1 child.) BUY-IT-NOW per Spot: \$10

Details: A1100

#### BE WINED AND DINED ON SEAFAIR SUNDAY

SUNDAY, 8/3/14 Your palates will be pampered with Chef Wayne Johnson's delights (of Ray's Boathouse/Andaluca fame.) A full meal that progresses throughout the day with wine pairings from the Rice's cellar. Kick back on our deck and envision a sunny day with the Blue Angels once again in the sky. TIME: 12:30pm–6pm LOCATION: 728 36th Ave., Seattle, 98122 HOSTS: Nancy (206-790-1610) & Jim Rice CHEF: Wayne Johnson GUESTS: 10 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$50

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served.

No special diets. A351

#### CREEKSIDE SALMON BARBECUE

SATURDAY, 8/9/14 A sumptuous barbecue dinner will be served to six guests at the home of Rev. John and Christina Halas near Carkeek Park. The menu will include salmon and other delicious seasonal food. Be sure to bring your favorite fish story! Dinner will be served at 6 PM. TIME: 6pm—Until we're done. LOCATION: 11711 8th Ave. NW, Seattle, 98177 HOSTS/CHEFS: Rev. John (206-362-2707) and Christina Halas GUESTS: 6 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30.

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A366

#### FIRE AND ICE

SATURDAY, 8/9/14 ICE! ICE! BABY!! Take your shoes off and relax on the deck as we start the afternoon with some frozen libations—like Threads of Gold, Bombastic Berries, Melonious Mayhem, Amber Heaven, and The Blessed Virgin. Sip your cocktail as you explore our little wooded 1/2 acre park we call home. PRAISE THE LARD! Then we'll move into the FIRE as we sample slow cooked Pig, grilled meats, vegetables, and summer's bounteous fruits! YOU SCREAM, I SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM! We'll cool it back down with some never-before-experienced frozen concoctions and delights! Afterwards we can sit around a bonfire to rest and digest! TIME: 4pm—9pm LOCATION: 6711 18th Ave. SW, Seattle, 98106 HOSTS/CHEFS: Jeri Hudson (206-251-2522)/Karen Binkhorst and Jen Mandel

**GUESTS: 15** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A378

#### BICYCLE RIDE AND GOURMET PICNIC

**SATURDAY, 8/9/14** Easy ride on Burke Gilman Trail. Helmets required. Leisurely, fun ride with a delicious picnic in the middle. TIME: 10am–1:30pm LOCATION: Picnic table off BG Trail at south end of Metropolitian Market parking lot, 5250 40th Ave. NE, Seattle, 98105 HOST: Jerrie Paul CoHOST: Laura Meehan **GUESTS 20** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$25

Details: A401

#### **MUSIC AND MARTINIS WITH JAMES HOWARD!**

**SUNDAY, 8/10/14** Here's your ticket to a private house concert with the amazing James Howard. Listen in while you sip cocktails with nibbles and noshes. TIME: 5pm–9pm LOCATION: 12343 NE 92nd St., Kirkland, 98033 HOST: Karin Quirk (425-941-8064) MUSICIAN: James Howard **GUESTS: 15** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21 + event. A410

#### 3RD ANNUAL KID'S DAY AT CAMP WENDT

SUNDAY, 8/10/14 Spaghetti with homemade meat sauce (chicken and polish sausage) and homemade apple pie with ice cream. But first, swimming, kayaking, trampoline and water toys. Must be 4 years or older. TIME: 1pm–8pm LOCATION: 6423 S Island Dr., Bonney Lake 98391 HOST: Michael Wendt (253-720-9165) SPOTS: 7 (Family pricing! Each spot allows for 1 adult and 1 to 2 children.) MINIMUM BID per Spot: \$25 NOTES: Adult must be accompanied by child. Bring life jackets for kids. Adults may be asked to help.

Details: A417

#### BBQ AND DUCK DODGE ON LAKE UNION

TUESDAY, 8/12/14 Bar-be-cue meat or veggie burgers (upon request) and watch the Duck Dodge sailboat races on Lake Union from the deck of a Lake Union houseboat that has a perfect view of the festivities. TIME: 6pm–9pm LOCATION: 2420 Westlake Ave. N, #17, Seattle 98109 HOSTS/CHEFS: Linda Tate (206-355-1036) & January Valley GUESTS: 6 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 Details: Smoking outside. Host has pet.

Alcohol served. A424



#### **AQUATIC GEOCACHING**

WEDNESDAY, 8/13/14 Join us at the Agua Verde paddle club and cafe to hunt down geocaches in the Montlake Cut and on Lake Washington. Then return to Agua Verde for eats (lunch paid by hosts). Cool and kinda nerdy event for adults! Geocache, and kayak experience level survey information will be sent to attendees via email. TIME: 4pm–9pm LOCATION: 1303 NE Boat St., Seattle, 98105 HOST: Tamara Nyren (253-632-8204) CoHOST: Johnathan Stevens GUESTS: 10 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Smoking outside.

Alcohol served. Age 21+ event.

A430

#### GALA PARTY ON HOUSEBOAT

sunday, 8/17/14 How much fun can you handle? Gather 14 party animals for an afternoon/early evening on Portage Bay and enjoy gourmet food, water craft, paddle boards, and unbelievable party games. Bring towels, swimsuit and camera. TIME: 4pm—7pm LOCATION: 2816 Boyer E, Seattle, 98102 HOST/COOK: Mardi Newman (206-324-8632) GUESTS: 14 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 NOTES: Host will provide special directions to houseboat for winners.

*Details:* Host has pet. Alcohol served. No toddlers or pets for safety reasons.

A450

#### DAY AT THE LAKE

SATURDAY, 8/23/14 Spend a day in uber Paradise with Bill and Irena at their cabin on Erickson Lake. Delicious snacks, refreshing drinks and a gourmet dinner to be enjoyed with good friends. TIME: 1pm–8pm LOCATION: 7221 Tahuya-Blacksmith Rd. NE, Belfair, 98528 HOSTS/COOKS: Irena Reynolds (360-362-6454) & Bill Hanson GUESTS: 6 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 NOTES: We live in the beautiful mountains about 20 minutes from Seabeck.

Details: Smoking outside. Host has pet.

Alcohol served. A459

#### SUNSET BBQ MEETS PIE HEAVEN

SATURDAY, 8/23/14 A sunset over the Olympic Mountains is the backdrop for a delectable outdoor spread of grilled grass-fed hamburgers, sausages, and veggie burgers. Beers, wine, special iced teas served. Then the pie fest begins! Dark chocolate cream, Meyer lemon cream, peach-blackberry, Granny Smith apple and tart Oregon cherry, plus homemade ice cream. TIME: 6pm–10pm LOCATION: 9020 View Ave. NW, Seattle, 98117 HOST: Tom Retan (206-427-2159) CHEF: Shawnee Tucker GUESTS: 24 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 NOTES: Special diet supported.

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A470

#### THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

SATURDAY, 8/30/14 The evening will honor both carnivores and vegans. The four-course meal will feature a dish for the carnivores and one for the vegans. We'll do this for the starter, main, dessert and surprise fourth course. Come eat as a carnivore, vegan or BOTH! TIME: 6:30pm—9:30pm LOCATION 10307 242nd Pl. SW, Edmonds, 98020 HOST/COOK: Skye Tucker (206-631-1934) CoHOST/COOK: Kelley Leek **GUESTS: 8** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 NOTES: Special diets supported.

Details: Smoking outside. Host has pet.

Alcohol served. A484



#### SEPTEMBER 2014





FRIDAY, 9/5/14 Let's celebrate and enjoy each other's excellent company with fabulous food and beverages! We have our own private space at Black Bottle in Belltown; beer and wine will be served. Come join the fun! TIME: 4:30pm—7:30pm LOCATION: 2600 1st Avenue (1st & Vine in Belltown), Seattle, 98121 HOSTS: Cathy Lindsay (206-526-8744) & Diann Durbin CoHOST: Rev. Kathianne Lewis GUESTS: 40 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$45 NOTES: Meat and non-meat options, special dietary needs may not be possible to accommodate.

Details: Smoking outside. Alcohol served.

ADA-accessible space. Age 21+ event.

A531

#### RAGIN' CAJUN FEAST

SATURDAY, 9/6/14 A New Orleans' inspired feast! Sourced with Northwest ingredients when possible. Beverages provided. Come out and get your Ragin' Cajun Feast on! TIME: 5pm–8pm LOCATION: 16903 25th Ave. NE, Shoreline, 98155 HOST/COOK: Kate Elliot (206-854-8048) CoHOSTS/COOKS: Tracy Doerschel & Diane Bell GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Smoking outside. Host has pet.

Alcohol served. A539

#### KAYAK IN THE UW ARBORETUM WITH PICNIC

SUNDAY, 9/7/14 Explore the beautiful UW Arboretum by water. Potluck lunch (RSVP to the host with your item), remaining menu will be provided. Two people per kayak. TIME: 2pm—7pm LOCATION: UW Stadium Launch Ramp, Seattle, 98105 HOST: Michael Wendt (253-720-9165) GUESTS: 9 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 NOTES: Host provides kayaking equipment. Guests bring a Potluck item to share.

Details: A544

#### INDIAN SUMMER BBQ

SATURDAY, 9/13/14 Imagine a rooftop view of Greenlake while dining on true BBQ'd brisket with all the fixins'. Whiskey sour anyone? Come enjoy the best weather, food, and views Seattle has to offer! TIME: 5pm–9pm LOCATION: 6900 East Greenlake Way North, Seattle, 98115 HOST: Cindy Van Hook (206-549-7048) CHEF: Matthew Hosek **GUESTS: 10** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 NOTES: Parking on south side of building.

Details: ADA-approved space.

Alcohol served. A556

#### HIGH SEAS ADVENTURE—SEPTEMBER

SATURDAY, 9/13/14 Cruise around the lake aboard the Rameys' ADVENTURE and the Thorsens' TEN KEI, past the homes of the rich and famous, anchoring near Seward Park for a marvelous gourmet lunch. Dinghy mini-adventures are an option. You'll be home in time to go out and dance 'til dawn. TIME: 10am–5pm LOCATION: The Ramey's, 2936 Fuhrman E, Seattle, 98102 HOSTS: Kathy & Mike Thorsen (425-776-7088) and Sharon & Paul Ramey CHEF: Michelle Thomas GUESTS: 20 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$75 NOTES: Wear soft-soled shoes and bring layered clothing.

Details: Alcohol served. A559

#### ALOHA SEATTLE LUAU

**SATURDAY, 9/13/14** Get in the Aloha Spirit with Hawaiian cuisine, music and dance. You can almost hear the waves and feel the warm sand between your toes. Guests are asked to dress Hawaiian style in native garb or tourist comfort. TIME: 6pm—10:30pm LOCATION: 12565 42nd Ave. NE, Seattle, 98125 HOSTS: PJ Harris (206-851-5884) & Rev. Harold Costa CHEF: PJ Harris

**GUESTS: 10** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Smoking outside. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A583

#### LET'S HAVE A (GLUTEN-FREE) TEA PARTY!

**SUNDAY, 9/14/14** Sit down with friends and enjoy a selection of sweet and savory finger foods along with aromatic traditional and herbal teas. If the weather is nice, we may turn it into a garden party. Everything is gluten-free, with vegetarian and nonvegetarian offerings, and delicious. White gloves not required! TIME: 4pm–6pm LOCATION: 11130 N 83rd St., Seattle HOST/COOK: Pushpa Larsen (206-498-1500) CoHOSTS: Alinda & Richard Page **GUESTS: 10** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 NOTES: Special diets supported.

Details: A606

#### FIFTH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT TOUR!

SUNDAY, 9/14/14 Three hours of grazing through Seattle's Pan-Asian gastronomic paradise! We'll sample foods from a dozen restaurants. Become familiar so you can return with confidence, knowing where to go and what to order. Try Cambodian, Malaysian, Korean and more! TIME: 1pm-4pm LOCATION: Jade Garden, 424 7th Ave. SE, Seattle, 98104 HOST: Deborah Esposito (425-747-2970) CoHOST: Lance Carleton GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Allergy alert! Grazing will include dishes made with wheat, soy and seafood. A591

#### 2ND ANNUAL COCKTAILS AND TOENAILS

**SATURDAY, 9/20/14** It's time for our Fabulous Gourmets for God Event. Kick off your shoes, prime your taste buds and get ready to be pampered. Our talented teens will be at your feet making your toes twinkle, while Creative Cocktails and mouth-watering hors d'oeuvres will be at your fingertips. TIME: 6pm–9pm LOCATION: 20201 Maplewood Dr., Edmonds, 98026 HOSTS/CHEFS: Sherry Bay-Santiago (206-235-3484)/Jan Bucy **GUESTS: 12** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$25

Details: Alcohol served. A617

#### NOT YOUR GRANDMA'S CHICKEN CACCIATORE

SATURDAY, 9/20/14 Back by popular demand! Chef Xander (Alex) will prepare for you his Grandma Ruggieri's Famous Chicken Cacciatore! As well as antipasto, insalata, jasmine rice, roasted red pepper risotto, fresh vegetables, artisan breads. Homemade gluten-free goodies and Chef Xander's I'm-Choosing-Heaven-Today sorbets. TIME: 5pm—8pm LOCATION: 19200 93rd Pl. W., Edmonds, 98020 HOSTS: Kathy & Mike Thorsen (206-200-1563) CHEF: Alex Perlman GUESTS: 16 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Smoking outside. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A621

#### TASTE OF BRAZIL

SATURDAY, 9/27/14 Bom Dia! Todo Bem! Join us for a fun evening of Brazilian culture and cuisine as you enjoy a large sample of food and drink from the largest nation in South America. From Feijoada to Crème De Papaya, you'll love exploring these wonderful traditional Brazilian foods with roots from Southern Europe and Western Africa. TIME: 5pm–8pm LOCATION: 19200 93rd Pl. W, Edmonds, 98020 HOST/COOK: Keith Jefferson (425-246-6191) CoHOSTS: Kathy & Mike Thorsen

**GUESTS: 20** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 *Details:* Smoking outside. Alcohol served.

Age 21 + event. A652





#### **MEXICAN BLAST**

SATURDAY, 10/4/14 Join Graydon and Kristen for an evening of South of the Border FUN! Mexican Train dominos with Mexican Food. Carnitas, pinto beans, Spanish rice and tortillas—and a Pig Picking Cake! TIME: 5pm—11pm LOCATION: 819 Virginia St., #1603, Seattle, 98101 HOST/COOK: Graydon Agar (206-618-4673) CoHOST: Kristen Tera House GUESTS: 16 MINIMUM BID per

Guest: \$35

*Details:* Smoking outside. Alcohol served. ADA-accessible space. Age 21+ event.

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#### CHANDLER REACH WINE TASTING AND SLAM POETRY

FRIDAY, 10/10/14 We will tantalize your taste buds with gorgeous wines from Chandler Reach Winery, and yummy appetizers and desserts. After we've got you loosened up a bit (or a lot!), get ready for a slam poetry contest. No experience necessary! Winner gets a very nice bottle of wine to take home. TIME: 7pm—9:30pm LOCATION: 5831 NE 182nd St., Kenmore, 98028 HOSTS/COOKS: Carrie Sjaarda (206-953-1380) & Don Beaty GUESTS: 10 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35 NOTES: All gluten-free.

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A680

#### **QUILT WITH US!**

Details: Age 21+ event.

SATURDAY, 10/11/14 Beginners to advanced—enjoy a fun, peaceful day of creating a beautiful finished quilt square. Materials will be provided. Beginners can learn the art of quilting and experienced sewers can teach us all! A delicious lunch will be served. TIME: 10am–3pm(?) LOCATION: 11711 8th Ave. NW, Seattle, 98177 HOSTS/CHEFS: Christina Halas (206-992-1174)/Franci Pease GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$40

#### NW FALL FEAST AND CONCERT

SUNDAY, 10/12/14 Enjoy the unrivaled hospitality of Mike and Kathy Thorsen paired with a seasonal menu created from Chef Eckfeldt's 30+ years in the restaurant industry. The evening will begin with a wine and appetizer hour followed by a sumptuous dinner buffet. The finale of the night's festivities will be an intimate acoustic performance by CSL's own James Howard. TIME: 4pm–8pm LOCATION: 19200 93rd Pl. W, Edmonds, 98020 HOST/CHEF: Brian Eckfeldt (206-355-5226) CoHOSTS: Mike & Kathy Thorsen GUESTS: 12 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$40 Details: Alcohol served.

#### MAKE YOUR OWN PASTA

SATURDAY, 10/18/14 Come and make your own Fettuccini! Get messy! Get fed! Get fun! Scallops and sauce too. Yum! TIME: 4pm—10pm LOCATION: 707 South Snoqualmie, #4E, Seattle, 98108 HOST: Johnathan Stevens (206-579-5301) GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Alcohol served. A706

#### **AUTUMN SOUP FESTIVAL**

SATURDAY, 10/18/14 Mmmmm! Whether it is crisp and colorful or misty outside, October is the perfect time for soup! Come sit near the fire and enjoy the view and company of old/new friends, while savoring a bounty of flavorful and hearty soups. Menu includes a variety of soups, breads, and dessert. Gluten-free and vegetarian options available. TIME: 6pm—8:30pm LOCATION: Magnolia HOSTS: D'Anne Bissell and Janice Newell COOK: Pushpa Larsen GUESTS: 12 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 NOTES: Special diets supported.

Details: ADA-approved space. A715

#### AUSTRIAN OCTOBERFEST

SATURDAY, 10/25/14 This year we will be featuring Austrian Octoberfest grill party food! Borrowing from some neighboring countries, the menu includes Hungarian Liptauer cheese and breads, Bratwurst, warm potato salad, sauerkraut with pork and green apples, variety of salads and Austrian dessert. TIME: 1pm—5pm LOCATION: 21425 Damson Rd., Bothell, 98021 HOST: Rev. Barbara Novak (760-450-6223) CoHOSTS: Arnie Marcus & Jan

Viney GUESTS: 20 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$35

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A736

#### HOME MADE PIZZA AND GAME NIGHT

**SATURDAY, 10/25/14** Get Your Game On! We will eat pizza and play board and/or card games. TIME: 5pm—11pm LOCATION: 14021 30th Ave. NE, Seattle, 98125 HOST/COOK: Sky Sternberg (206-261-6530) COOKS: Stephanie Etley and Sky Sternberg

**GUESTS: 9** MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Smoking outside. Alcohol served.

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event.

Age 21 + event. A742

#### HALLOWEEN PARTY BUS AND PROGRESSIVE DINNER!

FRIDAY, 10/31/14 This is going to be a blast! Get your costumes out and climb on this 50 ft. party bus. We'll be gallivanting around town, stopping to eat and drink along the way. But don't expect gourmet! Food trucks? Hot dog stands? Pizza? 7-11 for apps? Who knows?! Oh, and the bars! TIME: 7:30pm—LATE! LOCATION: Host will provide bus pick-up location, Seattle HOST: Carl Haglund (206-234-2236) GUESTS: 24 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$40

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### **NOVEMBER 2014**

#### THE BEST LASAGNA EVER! 2014

SATURDAY, 11/1/14 Indulge in a slow-paced Italian dinner. Enjoy antipasto created by talented Michelle Thomas while sipping good Italian wine. Savor the best lasagna ever made with chicken turkey sausage. We have the whole evening to eat, talk and relax, capping it off with tiramisu. Prize for best personal Italian/European travel story. TIME: 6:30pm—9:30pm LOCATION: 10701 Lakeside Ave. NE, Seattle, 98125 HOST: Karen Jackson (206-941-0567) CHEF: Michelle Thomas GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30

Details: Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. A779

#### IT'S TIME TO SEW-CIALIZE

FRIDAY, 11/14/14 Join the host and five CSLers as you spend an evening socializing and sewing. There will be three to four sewing projects to choose from. Bring your own fabric or host will supply. All other supplies will be provided. There will be wine and hearty appetizers. Host will contact bid winners about project and fabric selection. TIME: 6pm–9pm LOCATION: 101 N. 85th St., #201, Seattle, 98103 HOST/CHEF: Katherine Foster (206-650-3732) COHOST: Genevieve Hurlocker GUESTS: 5 MINIMUM BID per

Guest: \$35

Details: Alcohol served. A790

#### FRENCH 'OM COOKING, PROVENCE STYLE, ON WHIDBEY 2014

SATURDAY, 11/15/14 Inspired by the sunny clime of Provence, enjoy a six-course meal *a la francaise*, just like my Cordon Bleu trained host mother would prepare for me while I was studying in Paris. Simple and elegant, balanced and beautiful! TIME: 4pm—9pm LOCATION: Sunlight SeaScape, South Whidbey Island, 98236 HOST/CHEF: Joy Abbey-Adams (206-595-3498) GUESTS: 8 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$50 NOTES: Host will provide directions. Dinner guests may arrange in advance to stay overnight at Joy's inn, space available and at your own expense.

Details: Host has pet. Alcohol served.

Age 21+ event. A791

#### RISE AND FLY WITH SWANS

SATURDAY, 11/15/14 With some luck we will greet the dawn of the day at the Bob Heirman Wildlife Refuge with majestic Trumpeter Swans, gaggles of geese and sweet ducks. Hot chocolate, coffee, and cinnamon buns to warm you up! After bird watching, for those who choose, you can buy the best breakfast anywhere just down the road at the Maltby Cafe. TIME: 6am—8am LOCATION: Bob Heirman Wildlife Park, 14913 Connelly Rd., Snohomish HOST: Jan Viney (425-776-0417) CoHOST: Arnie Marcus GUESTS: 6 MINIMUM BID per Guest: \$30 NOTES: Quarter mile walk up and down hill.

Details: A804



#### DECEMBER 2014

#### THE EN-LIGHTENED SCROOGE BUS TOUR

SUNDAY, 12/28/14 Celebrate the season of lights! We'll tour on the Plush Scrooge Bus, taking in the sights from the cozy comfort of a first-class charter coach, enjoying enchanting garden décor in the best-for-lights neighborhoods, eating gourmet holiday snacks and drinking seasonal spirits, and marveling at the CSL radio production of Scrooge. Fun! TIME: 4:45pm—7:30pm LOCATION: CSL's Bus/Shuttle load area. HOSTS: Alinda (206-375-3554) & Richard Page CoHOST: Gladys Gillis GUESTS: 40 BUY-IT-NOW per Guest: \$40 NOTES: Park and then gather at the Bus/Shuttle load area.

Details: A1000



## 2015

#### **FOOD AND WINE STAYCATION 2015**

DATE: TBD The winning bid will receive two tickets to the Seattle Wine and Food Experience, one of the premier food, wine, beer and spirits tasting in the Northwest. End your day with a relaxing overnight stay at a downtown Seattle hotel. The Seattle Wine and Food Experience does NOT have a firm scheduled date for 2015. It is typically held in late February. TIME: Noon—Next day checkout time. LOCATION: Seattle Center Exhibition Hall/Seattle Hotel to be determined. HOST: Brian Eckfeldt (206-355-5226) Spot: 1 (2 guests) MINIMUM BID: \$130 NOTE: Winning Bidder contacts Host for location.

*Details:* Alcohol served. Age 21+ event. Smoking outside. Handicap accessible.

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## The Kitchen Sink of Bidding Tips

- 1. **Bid early and bid often.** This is really key to winning the events you want, especially ON CAMPUS.
- 2. Have your calendar handy—make sure your dates are open before bidding.
- Don't cross your bid off an ON CAMPUS bid sheet—it could invalidate your bid, or win you more spots than you wanted. Remember, all bids are legally binding.
- 4. It's more effective to place a higher bid from the start, rather than starting out low and then increasing it, especially ON CAMPUS. (The highest and FIRST bid wins!)
- 5. There are great deals ONLINE—check them out!
- 6. It's fun to watch all the action during the last hour or so of the ONLINE auction—consider being ONLINE during that time so you're not outbid for your favorite event at the last minute! And even if you are, you still have a chance ON CAMPUS that last Sunday!
- 7. Have guests coming for the summer? Bid on extra spots so you can bring them to a fabulous Gourmets for God event.
- 8. Family pricing events aren't just for parents and their children—consider your grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbors' kids...
- 9. Some individuals like to spread their anticipated events throughout the year. Others like to bunch them up—two or three events on one weekend—so their other weekends remain free for travel, etcetera!

## For more great bidding tips and strategies, ask a Gourmets for God volunteer!

