

Dear Parents,

The 2013 Crab Feed is right around the corner and promises to be our best Crab Feed of all time. The committee is hard at work and now we need YOUR help. This letter details what we need from each family leading up to and on the day of the event.

We are still looking for parents to volunteer their time for various committees:  
*Set-up/Take-down* (thankfully this won't include much since the venue takes care of the majority of this the day of)

*Raffle/Auction*- we will need parents who are willing to help out in the weeks leading up to the event (helping get items organized and priced, etc...) and then we will also need parents the day of to help with our live auction (holding up items, taking information from parents who bid, etc...)

*Donations*- while we are asking that everyone find donations, those on the committee will be a little more heavily involved in the weeks leading up to the event to fill in the gaps.

Due to the nature of the 2013 Crab Feed, our focus must be on securing donations for the silent and live auctions. ***Each family should set a goal to bring in at least one item for the auctions.*** If you are uncomfortable asking a local business for a donation, try sending an email. Most places are more than happy to donate something in exchange for some publicity (their names go in our program when they donate).

Included in this packet you will find the sponsorship form and a letter you can send to local business owners to explain our auction. The sponsorship form is for anyone who is able to donate something to our auction- whether it is a cash donation or an actual product. Please do not overlook our need for cash donations. Having a business or a grandparent who wants to be a part of the fundraiser by giving a cash donation is very much appreciated as we can use that toward the cost of the event. We can also use cash donations to purchase items to be auctioned.

You will also find included in this packet a list of possible donors. Please review this list and find donors that you are willing to contact- this list includes individuals/businesses who have donated in years past. Once you know, for sure, that you can contact a particular business please let Corina Purdue ([corinambp@yahoo.com](mailto:corinambp@yahoo.com)) know which business you will be responsible for.

***We are asking that each family donate a bottle of red or white wine in the \$15-25 range.*** This helps the committee keep costs down by not having to purchase wine from the venue.

This year, parents will have the ability to view Live Auction items and raffle items prior to the event. We are in the process of working out a system that will allow ALL parents (even those who do not attend the crab feed) a chance to bid on class

projects and live auction items, as well as the opportunity to buy tickets for the big ticket raffle items. Please continue to check our crab feed website for more information.

Lastly, again this year we WILL be having table assignments, but this year, guests will have the opportunity to choose their assignments. While the committee will be dealing with the actual location of tables, guests will be going to the website and putting themselves into a table assignment. This will allow guests to sit next to each other without having to purchase tickets together.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you,

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