



**Charlottesville
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Development Newsletter

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Gala Auction Edition



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28th Annual Charlottesville Catholic School Gala Auction

We hope you can join us for the 28th Annual Charlottesville Catholic School Gala Auction, which will be held on Saturday, April 29 at the Omni Hotel. The Gala Auction is a fabulous evening for the CCS community to come together and support the school! Featuring cocktail hour and a seated dinner, live and silent auctions, and a number of fun raffles, this is our school's biggest fundraising effort each year—you don't want to miss it!

This year's evening will feature:

- Pre-dinner music by Franceszca Penaredondo (CCS Class of 2017)
- After-dinner dance music from DJ Jon James of Double J Entertainment
- Mr. Doug Trout (father of 3 CCS graduates) as auctioneer

The evening is semi-formal (black-tie optional).

Visit the [28th Annual Gala Auction](#) website to register (and be sure to make your meal selections for each attendee). For those interested in keeping the party going after midnight, our after-party this year will be held at The Pointe, located inside the Omni.

Interested in spending the evening at the Omni after the auction festivities have concluded? CCS has a block of 5 guaranteed rooms for attendees. [CLICK HERE](#) for the Omni's dedicated booking site for those rooms.



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Raffles

Golden Ticket

Everyone's favorite Golden Ticket raffle is back once again, and this year it has an extra special purpose. Only 200 Golden Tickets will be sold at \$50. Half of the proceeds from the ticket sales (total is dependent upon how many are sold) will be split between 6 winners:

- 1 Grand Prize Winner will receive 25% of the proceeds (up to \$2,500)
- 5 additional winners will receive 5% of the proceeds each (up to \$500 for each winner)

The other 50% of the Golden Ticket proceeds is always directed to a special purpose at CCS, such as Promethean Boards for classrooms. We're excited to share that 50% of this year, those funds will be used to transform the upstairs teachers' lounge space into a renovated Teachers' Wellness Room! The vision of the planning committee is to create a space for our amazing faculty and staff to regroup, relax and recharge during the day, allowing for quiet prayer time and collaborating with colleagues.

Purchase your tickets now—remember, only 200 tickets will be sold—by visiting the [Golden Ticket page](#) of the auction website.

Heads or Tails

This fun game is sponsored by Crutchfield, with a prize soon to be announced! You can purchase "tickets" now via the auction website or at the event. On auction night, those who have purchased tickets will be called to the dance floor and will each individually decide "heads or tails" to a traditional coin toss, until one winner remains!

[Pre-purchase your entries here!](#)



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Sparkle for Sparkle

Sparkle for Sparkle, sponsored by Fink's Jewelers, features a gorgeous fresh-water pearl set (necklace, bracelet, and earrings) valued at \$430. Purchase a ticket (which comes with a glass of sparkling wine!) for your chance to win! The set will be featured all evening via live jewelry model.

[See the set and purchase tickets here!](#)

Other Auction News

Teachers' Wish List

The [Teachers' Wish List](#) is going digital! This year, you can make your donation in advance via the auction website. Of course, donations can still be made by raising your paddle at the end of the live auction.

Auction Catalog

The [digital auction catalog](#) is now live! Preview the amazing items up for auction now. Early-bird bidding for silent-auction items only will begin online starting April 15 at 7:00AM (pre-bidding is not available for live-auction items). Check the catalog regularly, as new items will be added as they are received.

Wall of Wine

23 bottles down, 27 to go! Feel free to drop off donations (varietals valued at \$18/bottle or more) with an adult during morning carline, or anytime during the school day. Deadline for donations is Thursday, March 23!



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Sponsorships

There are still sponsorship opportunities available. Please email Colleen Smith (c.smith@cvillecatholic.org) if you or your company are interested.

Auction Set-Up and Clean-Up

Many hands are needed to both set-up and clean-up the auction. If you would be interested in helping, please see the [Sign Up Genius](#) for what tasks currently need volunteers.