



The Eiffel Tower, Parisian café lights, beautiful fleur de lis, the original T.V. Batmobile and California lowriders! Yes, this unusual combination of sights and sounds was a part of QUEST 2007 “La Belle Nuit.” And what “a beautiful night” it was!

November 17, 2007, was the date of Louisville’s annual dinner dance and auction fundraiser at the Petersen Automotive Museum in Los Angeles and over 550 guests were in attendance. At check-in, guests were presented with a complimentary Chambord cocktail and then proceeded to participate in the evening’s activities which included a fabulous silent auction and raffles, a self-guided tour of the museum’s exhibits, dinner under the stars and, of course, the live auction. A unique exhibit of automobiles entitled “La Vida Lowrider: Cruising the City of Angels” and the special appearance of Mr. George Barris, the original customizer of the Batmobile for the Batman T.V. show, added to the distinctive aura of excitement that this QUEST venue provided.

Our chairpersons this year were Jamie King, mother of freshman Jessica, Gregoria Leoni, mother of senior Elisabeth, and Anna Parezo, an alumna from the class of 1979 and mother of sophomore Jenna. Each of these energetic and enthusiastic women, along with their families, devoted countless hours and tremendous effort to ensure the success of QUEST, which is Louisville’s most important fundraiser. QUEST is an acronym for Quality Unsurpassed and Education Sustained by Tradition and the proceeds from this year’s will be used to complete the third phase of a major renovation project to the school during the summer of 2008. Central air conditioning, heating, new lighting and flooring will be installed in the remaining classroom areas not included in the first two phases. Also, comprehensive work will be done to



An evening under the Parisian sky

continue the implementation of a broad-based technology program to meet the needs of our students.

At the end of the silent auction, guests were led to the dining room located in a large white tent adjacent to the museum. Standing 50 feet tall inside the tent was a replica of the Eiffel Tower spotlighted as if it were under a deep blue evening sky filled with glittering stars. Beautiful topiary centerpieces adorned with fleur de lis, lush ivy plants and white roses created a stunning panoramic view of the entire room. Three “head tables,” that were purchased at last year’s QUEST, drew everyone’s attention due to their elaborately designed décor, French table linens, crystal champagne flutes, exquisite orchid and hydrangea centerpieces and special gifts for each of the 36 guests!

During dinner, guests dined on a delicious combination of warm roasted tomato bisque en croustade and salad, coq au vin with gruyere potatoes and seasonal vegetables, and then delighted in a wonderful array of French pastries for dessert. Many wonderful, one-of-a-kind items were available to bid on during the live auction, including a custom-designed pearl necklace, tickets for “American Idol” and “Dancing with the Stars,” a gourmet winemaker’s dinner with vertical tasting, a summer getaway in Cabo San Lucas and two adorable puggle puppies! Of course, the head table for QUEST 2008 was the hit auction item of the evening and three tables were purchased at \$5,500 each!

The success of QUEST depends on many dedicated volunteers, charitable donors and generous sponsors. Louisville extends our heartfelt appreciation to the major benefactors who are listed below:

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Dear Parents, Faculty, Staff and Students of Louisville High School,

QUEST 2007 was “La Belle Nuit.” As a result of the combined efforts of the Louisville parents, the event chairpersons, and the generous sponsors, we were proud to present Sr. Myra with a check for over \$200,000. We want to say “Merci” to everyone who supported this amazing event. The preparation of this event began many months ago, and it was through the detailed planning, hard work and creativity of so many dedicated volunteers that it became a reality.

We want to again acknowledge the QUEST Committee Chairs; they were the “crème de la crème.” Each and every dedicated chairperson gifted us with their talents, ongoing enthusiasm and invaluable advice.

The best part of our job was the time spent with the many Louisville families involved! A special thanks to the families that hosted or attended a gift-gathering party, donated to our silent auction, made cash donations and, of course, to our fabulous volunteers! Last but not least, we would like to acknowledge the support from the alumnae, parents of alumnae and friends of Louisville.

Finally, what a great pleasure it was to see so many of you the night of the event and even better to see that you brought so many friends! “La Belle Nuit” could not have been a beautiful night without you!!!

Merci to all,
**Jamie King, Gregoria Leoni
and Anna Parezo**

Advancement

The mission of the Louisville High School Office of Advancement is to ensure that Louisville continues to be a thriving institution into the future, recognizing the importance of its current families as well as alumnae and alumnae parents. Louisville will also ensure that it remains connected to all alumnae who are instrumental in passing on Louisville's charm and traditions to the young women of the future.

WAYS TO GIVE

Gifts to Louisville may be in the form of cash, check, credit or stock transfer and are tax-deductible to the fullest extent provided by law. Louisville is a 501(c)(3) institution.

Careful planning of a gift to Louisville High School can help maximize the benefits to you and Louisville. Federal income, estate and gift tax laws encourage individuals and their families to make gifts to schools. The following paragraphs summarize some of the ways you can gift Louisville High School and take advantage of tax savings.

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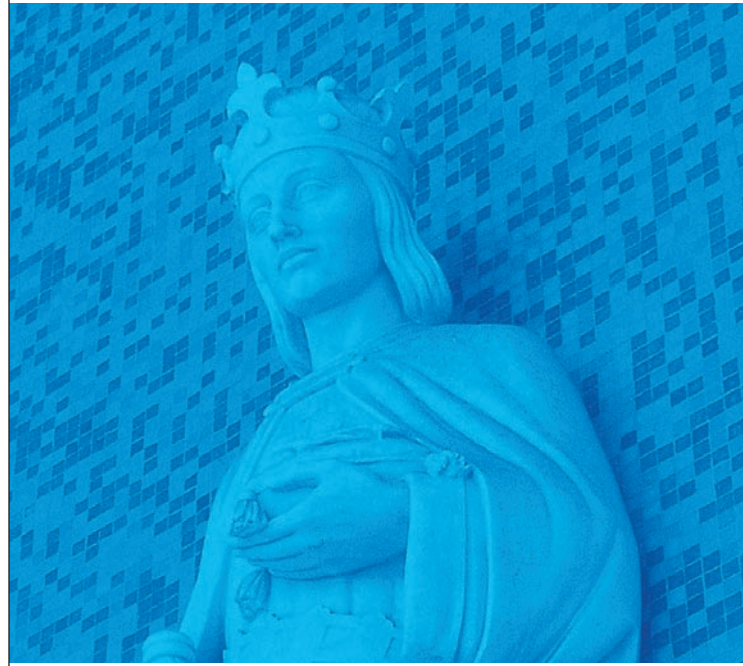
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GIFTS OF SECURITIES, REAL ESTATE, AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

If you own real estate or securities and other types of personal property that have appreciated in value, you will generally benefit by donating the property to a charitable institution. You are able to deduct the fair market value of the donated assets and also avoid capital gains taxes.

GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE

A donor may make Louisville High School the beneficiary of a life insurance policy. His or her



premium payments then become deductible for income tax purposes. A new policy may be taken out in the name of Louisville High School or an existing policy may be gifted to the school.

GIFTS FROM BEQUESTS

Gifts made through your will may be for a specific sum or items, or for a specific percentage of an estate, a residue of an estate, or on a contingent basis. Your estate will receive a charitable deduction for the value of property passing to Louisville High School. If you intend to include Louisville in your will or trust, please contact the Advancement Office at (818) 346-7510.

MATCHING GIFTS

Matching gifts of employees' contributions are provided by a number of corporations. A matching gift may double and sometimes triple the size of an individual donation. Ask your employer about their matching gift program and forward the company form along with your donation to Louisville.

ANNUAL FUND

Annual Fund donations offset the difference between tuition and the actual cost of educating a student. At the time of registration, parents sign a commitment to make every effort to make a voluntary tax-

deductible contribution of a least \$500 over and above the tuition to help defray the budget deficit. Louisville tuition covers approximately 89% of the annual operational budget. Gifts to the Annual Fund provide the remainder that is needed to continue a quality Catholic education for every Louisville student. Donors of \$1,000 or more are honored at a President's Circle Dinner later in the year.

Parents may send in their Annual Fund donation at any time. A letter is sent to each family in the fall suggesting that, in order to garner a charitable deduction for the tax year, they may wish to give before December 31.

ALUMNAE APPEAL

The focus of the Alumnae Appeal is on Louisville's alumnae and alumnae parents. It is Louisville's hope that, in giving to this appeal, you are giving back to your alma mater. With your generous help, we will continue to meet the ever-changing needs of our students by providing them with the best education possible. Donations to the Alumnae Appeal may be made at any time. A letter is mailed to all alumnae and their families in the fall to kick-off the Alumnae Appeal.

LOUISVILLE FOUNDATION

The Louisville Foundation was established in May 1990 as a means to assist Louisville High School in its ongoing program of dedication to the education of young women. The income of the Foundation will be used for future capital improvements to the school property, teacher's salary supplements or awards and for financial aid/scholarships.

ENDOWMENT FUND

Endowed gifts guarantee resources into the future. Individuals may choose to direct a current or endowment gift for a specific purpose, such as financial aid or capital improvements.

EVENTS

Fundraising activities are sponsored by the Advancement Office and the Parents Guild. Information about Parents Guild events may be found on the Parents link at

www.louisvillehs.org. The Gift Wrap/Magazine Drive and Golf Tournament are events that originate in and are coordinated by the Advancement Office.

ESCRIP

e-Scrip is a fantastic resource for fundraising where participating business partners contribute a percentage of your grocery loyalty cards, credit card and debit/ATM card purchases to Louisville High School. To sign up and register one of your own credit cards for this program go to www.escrip.com or call 1-800-801-4973. Louisville High School's ID number is 136558904.

TARGET

You may apply for a Target Visa credit card or a Target guest card on www.target.com as part of their Take Charge of Education Program. Designate Louisville High School as part of your registration—our ID number is 2875—and Louisville receives a percentage check twice a year for your purchases.

OFFICE DEPOT

For anything you purchase at Office Depot, Louisville can receive a percentage check year-round. At check-out just tell the cashier that you would like Louisville High School to receive credit for your purchase. The ID number for Louisville is 7701674.

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