



## **Cardinal Christmas Auction's** *Frequently Asked Questions*

**Q: How long has the Auction been in existence?**

A: Since 1987.

**Q: Who organizes it?**

A: The St. Charles Mothers Club with help from the St. Charles community.

**Q: What is the Auction's purpose (besides throwing a great party)?**

A: The Auction is the Mothers Club's No. 1 fundraiser each year. The net proceeds of this event, which in 2015 totaled nearly \$110,000, are given to the school's administration. Proceeds from last year's event benefited the preservation of the 78-year-old Mother of Mercy Chapel. The money raised this year will be used toward both academic and need-based financial assistance for our students.

**Q: Where is the Auction held?**

A: In the Robert C. Walter Student Commons.

**Q: What is the dress code?**

A: Holiday festive! Men generally wear a suit jacket and tie, while women wear a cocktail-length dress.

**Q: How does seating work?**

A: After you receive your invitation in the mail (and all St. Charles families will), you will be able to RSVP via the St. Charles website, pay for your tickets and select table mates (up to 10 per table). You can also indicate on the RSVP form your son's year or your alumni year and the RSVP Committee will do their best to seat you with people you know.

**Q: What do you do at the event?**

A: The Auction is two-fold: you have a chance to socialize with friends, old and new, during the hectic holiday season; and you have the opportunity to support St. Charles through bidding on fun and exciting silent and live auction items, which have been donated for the event.