

AUCTION TEAM ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & THANKS

On behalf of the 2020 Love Auction 2020 Co-Chairs, Susan Maggard and Erin Gannaway, we would like to thank the following people who did so much to make this event a success:

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A very special note of appreciation to Carmen Fightmaster, Auction Team member and lead designer and quilter of the 2020 CMH All-School Quilt.

And thank you to everyone in the CMH community for your donations, contributions, participation and unwavering support!



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LETTER FROM THE BOARD

CMH Community,

I started drafting this letter as I usually do, looking back to the most recent letter to make sure I'm providing updates on the topics discussed last time. It's almost incredible that the terms COVID-19, pandemic and remote learning were nowhere to be found. How much has changed in so little time.

Most important, to my knowledge, the members of our CMH community have been healthy and safe throughout this ordeal...at least so far. However, I'm sure most families have extended family or friends who have been deeply affected by the pandemic. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of those fighting through illness and to those fighting to help others recover and stay safe.

A close second priority is to thank the teachers and staff of CMH who have exhibited incredible agility to keep the learning process in motion. While this isn't a situation any of us would have chosen, CMH continues to operate with the best interest of students in mind. I think it's safe for me to say that the teachers have greatly appreciated the feedback and support of parents during this unique time. We're all learning new things throughout this process.

The primary work of the Board of Trustees has been to assist Casey and Susan in their efforts to manage the business of the school and the new challenges we're facing. Most important, I'm happy to say that CMH, with the help of Stock Yards Bank, was able to quickly secure a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan and had funds deposited in our account within roughly a week of submitting the application.

The PPP loan is designed to help small businesses cover the costs of payroll, utilities and mortgage interest while its ability to generate income is negatively impacted by the shutdown. In our case, we are losing income from programs like Early-Birds, After-Care, More Montessori, After-School Clubs, and we are likely to lose some portion of income from the annual auction and summer camps. Also, the loan enables CMH to pay base wages to the hourly-paid classroom assistants, office staff and others who would otherwise not be paid.

Our assumption today is that we will be back to a normal classroom setting starting next school year. We'll see, and we'll adjust if needed. What we've learned over the last six weeks or so will serve us well in the future.

We appreciate your commitment to CMH. We all miss the way it was, and we will do our very best to keep the community close until we can be together again. The next big opportunity to show your support is the upcoming virtual Love Auction. The annual auction is our most important fundraising activity of the year, and your generosity is needed now more than ever.

This is my last opportunity to address you in this newsletter as President of the Board of Trustees. My three-year term ends at our August 2020 meeting, as we transition to a new leadership team. I appreciate the opportunity I've had to work with Casey and the other Board members so closely over the last 6+ years. It's a great group of people who care deeply about the educational experience CMH provides to the kids and the importance of a community that works well together and supports each other.

So, one last time I say, the best way you can support CMH is by using your voice to tell your friends and neighbors what an awesome place CMH is for your children...and could be for theirs!

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay committed to CMH!

John Chevalier
CMH Board President

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

CMH Community,

CMH has persevered during this unforeseen crisis due to the unwavering commitment of all of you in our steadfast mission and vision for our beloved school. When businesses speak of their stakeholders, CMH sees the faces of families we have served in the past, present and future, our devoted staff that partners with those families in honor of their children, and a Board of Trustees that thoughtfully oversees our finances and supports me in my endeavors.

What an inspiration you have all been during this uncertain time of balancing your own personal and professional situations. There are so many people to call out, but here are just a few I would like to take a moment to highlight:

- Parents that have stepped up to support the e-learning needs of their children after choosing a Private-Montessori education.
- Teachers that have been so creative and relentless in their pursuits, with such a swift change to their job descriptions and teaching approaches.
- Staff members that have jumped in to help in such innovative and dedicated ways to assure the operations of the school, children, teachers, and parents are being met.
- Board Members that have volunteered countless hours of time researching the ever-changing options available to a small non-profit organization like CMH.
- The Auction Committee who quickly shifted gears with a return to our "Love Auction" roots in a virtual capacity, because they understood the event was necessary to the financial well-being of our school.
- Alumni families and students that continue to check in and connect with us on Facebook and in personal ways to celebrate the school they love; these reminders on our most challenging days revitalize us on why the mission and heart of CMH is so vital to all.
- The Loveland community, that continues to offer support, recognition and encouragement to our beloved school that resides just up the hill from the historical downtown district.
- The students, oh how these children have been so resilient in facing all of these changes with such grace and growth as they also overcome the devastating losses of all they knew and anticipated this spring.
- And finally, to those have who have been the advocates and crusaders of spreading support, generosity, gratitude and joy in our school community with words and actions of hope and appreciation- we have been unbelievably humbled and honored to serve you.

Please accept and embrace this heartfelt **THANK YOU** from me on behalf of us all.

CMH is only as strong as our **COMMUNITY** and we are looking **SOLID** my friends!

Be and Stay Well,

Casey Reed
CMH Director



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is **FREE**, but it is required to purchase raffle tickets or bid on items. Visit CMH2020.givesmart.com to register. Be sure to sign-up for mobile alerts for the full experience.

TANO'S DINNER SPECIAL

CMH is excited to partner with Tano's again this year to offer dinners to our families the evening of the auction. For \$60 your special Tano's dinner for 4 includes:

- Bistro House Salad
- Choice of Pot Roast or Stuffed Bell Peppers
- Mashed Potatoes and Green Beans,
- Brownie

Simply call **513.683.8266** to place your order between May 5th - 12th. Your meal for 4 will be refrigerated and ready for pick-up between 2:00pm-6:00pm on May 14th or 15th. Just warm in the oven and dinner is served!

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Leader \$5,000



Patron \$500



Friend \$250



AUCTION SCHEDULE

Monday, April 27 12:00pm	Auction site open for registration. Sale of raffle tickets begins.
Sunday, May 10 5:00pm	Preview of All Items on auction website
Monday, May 11 12:00pm	Online bidding begins on a limited selection of Early Release Items
Tuesday, May 12 12:00pm	Online bidding begins on a second group of Early Release Items
Wednesday, May 13 12:00pm	Online bidding begins on a third group of Early Release Items
11:59pm	Raffle ticket sales for the Super Star Staff Raffle closes
Friday, May 15 12:00pm	Teacher Treasures open for purchase, and all Silent Auction Items open for bidding
8:00pm	"Live" Auction of CMH Exclusive items opens for bidding. Please explore each item on the auction website for full description and pictures. See below for the bidding CLOSING time for each item:
8:15pm	PrePrimary Classroom Projects
8:25pm	Junior Classroom Projects
8:35pm	Senior Classroom Project
8:45pm	Director for the Day
8:55 pm	CMH Prime Location - Name the Pond
9:05pm	CMH Prime Location - Claim Your Parking
9:15pm	CMH Drive Lanes - Name the Circle
9:25pm	CMH Drive Lanes - Name the Straightaway
9:35pm	CMH Treasures - John Phenix Bark Rim Bowl
9:45pm	CMH Treasures - John Phenix Serving Bowl
9:55pm	Quilt raffle ticket sales ends
10:05pm	Arts and Crafts silent auction Item bidding ends
10:15pm	Experiences and Services silent auction Item bidding ends
10:25pm	Baskets and all other silent auction Item bidding ends
10:35pm	Winners announced for Quilt and Superstar Staff
10:40pm	Parting Message

GATLINBURG AREA CABIN



CMH QUILT



JOHN PHENIX BOWLS



RULES

- All Auction bids and payments will be made online using the auction website. All sales are final. There are no exchanges or refunds unless otherwise noted.
- All items are "as-is." CMH has attempted to describe items and assess their value correctly based on the information provided by donors. (Items have not been appraised unless otherwise noted.) The amount you pay above this fair market value estimate is normally tax deductible as a charitable contribution. Please consult your tax advisor to clarify.
- Bidders will be expected to read any fine print included in item descriptions for restrictions, exclusions, etc.
- Payment for items purchased must be made in full on the night of the auction. Payments are made on the auction website.
- Following payment, gift certificates, gift cards and tickets will be mailed to the winner. The Auction team will coordinate with winners of tangible items to arrange for pick-up at CMH or delivery to your home.
- Each person bidding assumes all responsibilities related to the auction and items obtained at the auction and agrees to hold CMH harmless from any liability.
- In the event of a dispute, the Auction Chairs will act as final authority.

BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS

Bid via DESKTOP, TABLET or SMARTPHONE

Visit CMH2020.Givesmart.com or click the link in your welcome text message on your phone to view your personal bidding page. Click on an item you would like to bid on. The Givesmart system pre-populates with the next minimum bid so all you have to do is click BID. If you'd like to go higher, just enter a new amount and click BID. The have the Givesmart system automatically bid for you to a designated amount, please select AUTO and enter a higher amount. The system will bid for you incrementally up until your designated amount **only if** someone bids higher than you.

Bid via TEXT

To see the current bid, reply to your welcome text and simply text the 3-digit item number. Example: "102", then hit send. Then, text the 3-digit item number and amount you would like to bid. No dollar signs (\$) needed. Example: "102 300" and hit send. You placed a \$300 bid on item 102.

Items available for purchase

Shop the items "Available for Purchase" category or click on the instant tab on your bidding link and enter the number you would like to purchase and click BUY, or you can text BUY and the item number. Example: "BUY 106", then hit send.