

Auction has taste of wealth

By C. L. Rugenstein
staff writer

The list of items is impressive.
• Lake access property near Interlochen.
• Trips to San Francisco (airfare and lodging included).
• A weekend for two at Domino's Lodge on Drummond Island.
• A complete wedding at "the Roma's of your choice" for 200 people.

These and 500-plus other items and services will go on the block Saturday, April 22, when Madonna College, of Livonia, holds its first "Around the World Scholarship Dinner Auction" in Laurel Manor, 3900 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

The goal: \$100,000 for Madonna's scholarship fund.

TICKETS for the dinner, silent and live auctions are \$40 per person. "We're looking to get 700 gifts (to auction)," said Andrea Nodge, director of public relations for Madonna College.

"This will be the largest single day fund-raiser Madonna has ever undertaken," added Annette Babb, director of fund raising and an alumna of Madonna.

Heading up the auction fund-raiser are general chairs Ray and Jean Shapero of Northville and Betty Jean and Robert Awrey of Farmington Hills, owners of Awrey Bakeries Inc. in Livonia.

Prizes range from small appliances to the wedding package, which includes flowers, limousine service and tuxedos for six.

SPORTS FANS might want to bid on the lunch with Ernie Harwell at Detroit's sports mecca, the Lindell AC, with a Tigers game after.

Lindell owners John and Jim Buttenis have donated the use of their box over the Tigers' dugout as part of that package.

Frustrated commuters might want to see what rush hour looks like (morning or evening) from WJR's Jet Copter '76 with Capt. Dennis Neubaucher.

And there's the theater buff's dream package: a champagne dinner for four at Sardi's in New York, with tickets to "Phantom of the Opera," courtesy of Sardi's owner Ivan Bloch.

"WE CALL those fantasy items, something you couldn't go out and get on your own," said Babb.

"They come through someone who knows someone, who knows someone," he said.



Jean Shapero (left) of Northville and Betty Jean Awrey of Farmington Hills display a poster that highlights some items that will go

on the auction block at the Madonna College scholarship dinner auction April 22.

Someone like intrepid fund-raiser Leslie Rose, chairman of Fidelity Bank of Michigan in Birmingham. Rose, also chairman of Madonna's board of trustees, got the Sardi's dream trip for the auction.

The idea to donate a wedding package came from Sister Mary Francine, president of Madonna, Paparelli said.

"It's something we'd never done before, never heard of being done," he said. Paparelli estimated the cost of the whole package to be about \$10,000.

"I love to do anything that can help kids," said Jean Shapero. "If (the scholarship fund) can keep someone in college who ordinarily

wouldn't get to go, it's worth the effort."

Shapero and her husband, Ray, of the Quaal Corp., have worked on the fund-raiser for the building campaign.

Betty Jean Awrey, Shapero's counterpart, has been volunteering for Madonna for about six or eight years.

35 million get 'winter blahs'

Dear Jo:

I don't mind being "old" (as they say). I'm 81. What I do mind is the depression I feel about this time of year. I guess I suffer from what I call "the winter blahs." Is this a common problem among us older folk? If so, what can we do about it?

Mrs. M.L.
Toronto Reader

Dear Mrs. L:

As daylight hours decrease and the temperature drops most of us (no matter what age we are) fall victim to what the experts call Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD).

SAD is a depression that is linked specifically to shorter days and colder temperatures. Symptoms are: a need for more sleep, fatigue, weight gain and withdrawal from social contacts.

SAD is thought to affect as many as 35 million people (in varying degrees) each winter.

The best treatment so far is to identify the depression as seasonal and deal with each symptom, i.e., don't oversleep, exercise regularly and keep up your social contacts.

Studies are presently being done on the use of simulated natural light for this seasonal depression. Clients sit in front of this specially constructed light source (cost \$400) for short periods each day.

More studies are needed. If and when information becomes available on the benefits of this treatment, I will report it here in my column.

Dear Jo:

What do you think of these "Doc-In-The-Box" drop-in medical centers

gerontology

A. Jolayne
Farrell

for health care for seniors?

Mr. G.S.
Western Reader

Dear Mr. S:

For the readers who are not familiar with the term "Doc-In-The-Box," it refers to the fairly new walk-in medical clinics that offer instant care for extended hours. There are more than four thousand such clinics in North America, with names like People's Quick Care, Redi-Med, and Health Stop.

These centers are usually not equipped to handle serious emergencies like heart attacks or trauma cases. They do provide a good service to the public at large — including seniors.

My concern with this type of health care service is that, when it comes to older people, there can be a problem with continuity of care. Patients who use these services usually see whichever doctor is available. Who, then, monitors that person's overall health?

Ideally, the older person should have a family doctor who knows his or her client and therefore can give better ongoing care.

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