

Friendship Force of Pinellas Suncoast

Auction Catalog



Irish Dinner & Charity Auction

Saturday, March 6, 2010

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
Fellowship Hall (parking behind the Church)
10891 102nd Avenue, Seminole

Silent Auction: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Dinner: 6:00 pm

Live Auction: 7:15 pm

\$12.50

Admission & Dinner

Ticket Information

Sandy Gourdine (727) 443-5950

- Doors open at 5:00 pm.
- Plan to arrive in time to get your bidding number, view auction items, and arrange seating with your friends.
- No reserved seating.
- Cash or check only.

Ticket Order Form

Complete this form and mail to: Sandy Gourdine
1101 Wellington Drive
Clearwater FL 33764

Make your check payable to Friendship Force of Florida Suncoast, Inc.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I am ordering _____ tickets x \$12.50 each for total payment of \$ _____

Thank You

We encourage our members and guests to support the many fine businesses and individuals who generously donated items to be auctioned. Without exception, they were quick to demonstrate their support of Friendship Force and our humanitarian and cultural education projects. We sincerely appreciate their generosity! We extend Special Thanks to two businesses for their generous support:

Regal Sun Resort in the
Walt Disney Resort at
Lake Buena Vista and

TradeWinds Island Resorts
on St. Petersburg Beach

Our Donors

2010 Honda Gran Prix of
St Petersburg

400 Beach Seafood & Tap
House

American StageTheatre Co.

Belleair Country Club

Belleview Biltmore Golf Club

Bilmar Beach Resort

Bon Appetit Restaurant

Bonsai Holistic Spa

Captain Bruno Matz

Columbia Restaurant

Congo River Golf

Courtside Grill

Cove Cay Country Club

Doubletree Beach Resort

Dr. John L. Meyers

Ellie Schiller Homosassa
Springs Wildlife State Park

Florida Holocaust Museum

Holiday Inn Express & Suites-
Largo Central Park

Innisbrook Resort & Golf Club

J Con Salon & Spa

Kennedy Space Center

Largo Cultural Arts Center

LeBouchon Bistro Restaurant

Living Room Yoga

Museum of Science & Industry

Park Shore Grill

Paul's Seafood Restaurant

Philadelphia Phillies

Pinch A Penny

Regal Sun Resort

Renaissance Vinoy Golf Course

Rusty's Bistro at Sheraton
Sand Key Resort

Salvador Dali Museum

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StarLite Cruises

Sun Line Cruises

The Moon Under Water

The Pier Aquarium

The Tides Golf Club

TradeWinds Island Resorts

Twedt's Lanes

Friendship Force Members

Lois Bircher

Marie DeSantis

Geri Espy

Aila Erman

Ed & Gladys Evan

Sandy & Terry Gourdine

Vivian Grimm

Carol Heichel

Marj Pease

Gaby & Mac Mackenzie

Pat McQuaide

Michael Manning

Brenda & Jim Miller

Lynn Narkewicz

Jean Pellegrini

Auction Items



Hotel & Travel

3 Day/2 Night Beach Getaway – TradeWinds Island Resorts on St. Pete Beach –

Choose either AAA 4-diamond TradeWinds Island Grand or all new Sandpiper Suites

Refresh your spirit with a tropical island experience at either of two premier beach resort properties. Sway in a beachside hammock, feast on the freshest seafood and tropical drinks, soak up the sun and play all day. Island Grand boasts loads of family fun, water sports, restaurants and sand-in-your toes beach bars. Sandpiper Suites is newly remodeled throughout with a restaurant, beach bar, beachfront pool and adult courtyard pool. Whether you choose TradeWinds Island Grand or Sandpiper Suites, you have charging privileges at both resorts. Certificate expires December 22, 2011. Not valid during holiday periods, summer weekends and most dates in February, March and April. Specific dates are subject to availability.

Value: \$600

3 Day/2 Night Stay at Elegant Regal Sun Resort in the Walt Disney World Resort, Lake Buena Vista

Enjoy the brand new, totally fabulous Regal Sun Resort, an official Walt Disney World Hotel that offers impressive facilities and uncompromising fun and service after a \$25-million property-wide makeover. The Regal Sun Resort features 626 new guest rooms and suites, fine dining, a casual marketplace and amazing new pools, interactive water playground and whirlpool spa situated on 13 meticulously landscaped acres overlooking Lake Buena Vista. It's across the street from the Downtown Disney entertainment-shopping-dining district and a quick complimentary shuttle ride from or to the Magic Kingdom and nearby theme parks. Certificate is good for 3 days/2 nights stay in Disney View Tower accommodations and daily breakfast tickets for 2 at the Lake View Restaurant at the beautiful Regal Sun Resort in Lake Buena Vista. Includes room and tax and breakfast, but not incidental charges or gratuities. Expires March 2011.

Value: \$400

3 Day/2 Night Stay at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites-Largo Central Park.

Two night stay for 2 and complimentary hot breakfast in the area's newest hotel located next to Largo Central Park in Heart of Largo at 200 Seminole Blvd. Hotel amenities include an outdoor pool, a fitness facility, business center and wireless Internet access. Expiration date: October 2010.

Value: \$250

2 Day/1 Night Stay at the Doubletree Beach Resort, North Redington Beach

Stay in a luxurious guest room amidst a tropical island setting. Enjoy the Beachside Pool & Tiki Bar, indoor/outdoor Gulf view dining, and relax on your own Private Furnished Balcony. Certificates excludes all holiday weekends, all Saturdays and all days from Mar 1-May 31, 2010 and Mar 1-May 31, 2011. Certificate expires March 31, 2011 and is not valid any night the resort anticipates a sell-out. Located at 17120 Gulf Blvd. Midway between the beaches of St. Petersburg and Clearwater.

Value: \$165

2 Day/1 Night Stay at Bilmar Beach Resort, Treasure Island

You'll enjoy your studio suite, private balcony with beach-front views and resort amenities that include two heated outdoor pools and whirlpool, fitness center and rooftop sun deck.

Newly renovated and located directly on 550 feet of white, sandy beach at 10650 Beach Resort, Treasure Island. Certificate valid Sunday through Thursday, March 2010-March 1, 2011. Room and tax is complimentary. (February, March, April, special events and holidays are excluded)

Value: \$145

Autographed Game Balls

Autographed 2008 World Series Baseball

Authenticated. Signed by stars of the winning Philadelphia Phillies team.

Value: TBD



Golf Outings

Innisbrook Resort & Golf Club, Innisbrook

Foursome of golf with cart on the prestigious Copperhead, Island, North or South courses. Certificate is valid Monday-Thursday. Expiration date is December 31, 2010. Need to call to schedule tee time, subject to availability. Located at 36750 US Hwy 19 N at Innisbrook.

Value: \$500



Renaissance Vinoy Golf Course, St. Petersburg

A round of golf for four persons including golf cart & greens fees at the resort's exclusive 18-hole private championship course at 600 Snell Isle Blvd NE. Certificate valid M-F, based on space, June 1-December 30. Tee times are to be made one week prior to play. Certificate expires Dec 30, 2012.

Value: \$400

Belleair Country Club, Belleair

A round of golf for 4 guests at the exclusive, private Belleair Country Club. Gift certificate entitles 4 guests to one 18-hole round of golf at a mutually agreeable time. Tee times may be made no more than 48 hours in advance. Cart fees are \$35 per player. Certificate good 'til December 31, 2010.

Value: \$500

Belleview Biltmore Golf Club, Belleair

18 holes of golf for four persons with cart on a championship 71-par course with a reputation for its challenging design. Located at 1501 Indian Rocks Road, Belleair. Certificate expires March 2011, no restrictions.

Value: \$350

The Tides Golf Club, Seminole

Complimentary greens fee and electric cart for two golfers on the new Tides on beautiful Boca Ciega Bay at 11832 66nd Avenue N. Certificate good through 2010.

Value: \$120

Cove Cay Country Club, Clearwater

Foursome of golf on 18-hole course. Certificate good May-Oct. 2010. Located at 2612 Cove Cay Drive, Clearwater.

Value: \$120

On The Water

Spectacular Sunset Cruise for 6 Aboard Beautiful Private Sailing Yacht

Captain/owner Bruno Matz invites you to come onboard and bring 5 friends to enjoy this wonderful sunset cruise aboard his beautiful 40' Island Packet sailing yacht (berthed at Belleair Beach). Enjoy champagne and appetizers along with the delightful sights, sounds and sensations of sailing at sunset aboard "Wanda-rer." You and Captain Bruno will determine the date for the cruise, which must be completed by 12/1/2010. Friendship Force member Geri Espy will help coordinate the arrangements. Anchors away!

Value: \$850



The Wanda-rer

Sail on The Vessels of StarLite Cruises

4 Admission Passes to any of the five StarLite Cruise vessels that cruise our intracoastal waterways: *Sea Life Safari Nature Cruise* on Clearwater Beach, *Calypto Queen* on Clearwater Beach, *Dolphin Racer Speedboat Adventure* on St. Pete Beach, and *StarLite Cruises* on both Clearwater & St. Petersburg Beaches. Cruising adventures include Sightseeing Cruises, Dolphin Watch Cruises, Nature Eco-Tours, Luncheon & Evening Dinner Cruises & Tropical Island Party Cruises.

Passes not valid on Saturday evening, holidays or on special cruises. Food & beverage service is not included. Entrée purchase onboard is required on any evening dinner cruise on a StarLite Dining Cruises Vessel.

Value: \$90

Cruise on Anclote River, Tarpon Springs

Certificate for 4 adult tickets aboard the Sun Line Cruise that sails daily from the Sponge Docks in Tarpon Springs. This Adventure Dolphin/Nature Cruise is 90 minutes, hosted by a professional eco-naturalist and is highly informative, yet relaxed and intimate.

Value: \$76

Fun in the Pool Gift Package from Pinch A Penny

Float to your heart's content on a Key Largo Pool Float by Aquaria. It's 27" x 72" and gently molds to the body. The fun packet also includes 3 pool games: Surf Riders, Underwater Scramble diving game, and Trapp Ball that has 3 ball & water balloon games in one.

Value: \$111

Entertainment & Attractions



4 Admission Tickets to Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex

Admission includes the Shuttle Launch Experience, Kennedy Space Center Tour, 3D IMAX space films, Astronaut Encounter, all exhibits, and the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame featuring historic spacecraft, simulator rides and the world's largest collection of personal astronaut mementos. Certificate expires March 2010 and is not valid on launch days and from Dec. 22, 2010-Jan 1, 2011. Provided by Delaware North Companies Parks and Resorts, operators of Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex.

Value: \$152

4 Three-Day General Admission Tickets to 2010 Honda Gran Prix of St. Petersburg & Acura Sports Car Challenge of St. Petersburg.

This major sporting event will be March 26-28, 2010 in downtown St. Petersburg. Certificate is good for four 3-day general admission tickets. Recipient must bring certificate to the Grand Prix Box Office, 26 Second Street North, Suite 160, St. Petersburg, for redemption after March 6, 2010, but no later than March 18, 2010.

Value: \$180

4 Admissions to Sunken Gardens, St. Petersburg

Enjoy one of the extraordinary treasures of St. Petersburg. Located at 1825 4th Street North. Admission passes expire March 31, 2011.

Value: \$32

4 Admissions to Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park in Homosassa

Admissions package for 4 (2 adults & 2 children) at this spectacular State park twice named "Nation's Best." Gators, manatee programs, Wildlife Encounters, underwater observatory and all of Florida's wildlife are represented here.

Value: \$36

4 Admissions to Ellie Schiller Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park in Homosassa

Admissions package for 4 (2 adults & 2 children) at this spectacular State park twice named "Nation's Best." Gators, manatee programs, Wildlife Encounters, underwater observatory and all of Florida's wildlife are represented here.

Value: \$36

Family Membership & Unlimited Admissions at The Pier Aquarium, St. Petersburg

One year family membership for unlimited admissions and all events at the aquarium and marine education science center located downtown at The Pier on the waterfront.

Value: \$50

Bowling at Twedt's Lanes

6 certificates, each good for one free game of bowling for up to 5 people. Coupons must be used individually. Shoe rental not included. Certificates expire June 30, 2010 and are not good with any other specials, coupons, league play, glow bowl or strike it rich.

Value: \$80

Miniature Golf at Congo River Golf, Clearwater

Four passes to play in a setting with waterfalls, rocky summits and mysterious caves. The best in family fun! Location: 20060 US 19 North, Clearwater.

Value: \$43

Dining



Dinner Party Featuring Russian Cuisine.

The Russian Cuisine meal will be a seven-course dinner. You will be Friendship Force guests at the home of Vivian Grimm, 126 Old Oak Circle, Palm Harbor. This is a silent auction item and you will enter your name and telephone number to reserve a date that will be posted at the Auction. Groups no larger than eight persons per evening.

(\$15 each)

Rusty's Bistro at Sheraton Sand Key Resort, Clearwater Beach

\$70 gift certificate for two, inclusive of tax & tip. Located at 1160 Gulf Blvd, Rusty's has been named one of the top 29 restaurants in the Tampa Bay area for 3 years running by the *St. Petersburg Times*. No expiration date.

Value: \$70

Columbia Restaurant

\$50 gift certificate valid to March 2011. Can be redeemed at all six locations in Tampa, Sarasota, St. Augustine, St. Petersburg, Clearwater Beach, Celebration and at the new Columbia Café at the Tampa Bay History Center.

Value: \$50

Courtside Grill

Two \$50 gift certificates will be available for Tampa Bay's most unique upscale sports restaurant. Your dining experience will be a winner from start to finish. Certificate good at either location. Locations: 110 Fountain Parkway North in St. Petersburg and 13901 Nine Eagles Drive in Tampa.

Value: \$50 each

Paul's Seafood Restaurant, Tarpon Springs

\$20 gift certificate. Located at 80 W Live Oak St., a few steps from the dockside tourist zone.

Value: \$20

Park Shore Grill, St. Petersburg

Gift certificate for \$50. Dine in or outside at this sophisticated dining spot with a view of Straub Park at 300 Beach Drive. No expiration date.

Value: \$50

400 Beach Seafood & Tap House, St. Petersburg

\$50 gift certificate. Enjoy your favorite seafood entrees in the relaxed atmosphere at St. Pete's newest dining spots.

Value: \$50

The Moon Under Water, St. Petersburg

\$25 gift card. Dine in or out at a tasty British colonial tavern & restaurant at 332 Beach Drive NE.

Value: \$25

Breakfast at Bon Appetit Restaurant, Dunedin

Gift card for Breakfast for one featuring a variety of Viennese breakfast plates at this lovely waterfront restaurant located at 150 Marina Plaza.

Value: \$20

LeBouchon Bistro, Belleair Bluffs

\$25 gift certificate to this casual rendezvous that feels like a neighborhood diner in Provence and features a selection of French cuisine. Located at 796 Indian Rocks Rd, Belleair Bluffs

Value: \$25

Museums & Theatres

2 Tickets to American Stage Theatre Company, St. Petersburg

Pass for 2 free tickets to any mainstage performance during the 2009/2010 season. Remaining productions: Driving Miss Daisy (Mar 12-28), Hair (Apr 23-May 16 In The Park), November (June 11-27) and The Seafarer (Jul 23-Aug 8).

Value: \$70



Salvador Dali Museum Admission & Private Tour for 4.

Club member and Dali Museum docent Michael Manning will arrange complimentary admission for 4 persons and provide a provide tour of the world's most comprehensive collection of works by the late Spanish surrealist.

Value: \$68

2 Tickets: Peking Acrobats Show at Largo Cultural Center

April 8, 2010 – Performance at 7:30 pm

A troupe of China's most gifted tumblers, contortionists, jugglers, cyclists, and gymnasts are joined by live musicians playing traditional Chinese instruments. Come check out this exuberant event featuring all the festive pageantry of a Chinese Carnival!

Value: \$60

Museum of Science & Industry, Tampa

We have a double set of two passes to MOSI located at 4801 East Fowler Avenue. Each pass can be redeemed at box office for one admission to MOSI Exhibit Galleries and IMAX Dome Theatre film. Not valid for special engagement IMAX films or exhibitions.

Value of each set of 2 tickets: \$43

2 Tickets: Peppino D'Agostino at Largo Cultural Center

April 10, 2010 – Performance at 8:00 pm

Peppino D'Agostino is one of the world's best adult contemporary/classical guitarists. In 2008, he was named by Guitar Magazine as "Acoustic Guitarist of The Year" and "Best Acoustic Album of All Time". Come see the legend live in Largo!

Value: \$40

Florida Holocaust Museum Admission for 2

2 admission passes to a very informative, educational, and at some times even emotional museum. Located at 55 5th Street South, St. Petersburg.

Value: \$28

2 Tickets: Irish Dinner & Show at Largo Cultural Center - Sounds of Ireland with Michael Londra

March 17, 2010 – Traditional Irish Meal served in the Center's Parkview Room between 4:30-7:00 pm. Performance at 7:00 pm. Irish tenor Michael Londra is back in Largo by popular demand. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with one of the most recognized Irish performers of our generation.

Value: \$70

6 Tickets: American Stage Theatre Company, St. Petersburg

One Flex Pass for the remaining 2009/2010 season entitles holder to six tickets any way you want them for any of the remaining productions: Driving Miss Daisy (Mar 12-28), Hair (Apr 23-May 16 In The Park), November (June 11-27) and The Seafarer (Jul 23-Aug 8).

Value: \$160

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Value: \$160

Fashion • Body • Health

Massage at Bonsai Holistic Spa in Largo

Professional one-hour relaxation massage in the beautiful, tranquil setting of the Bonsai Holistic Spa located at 400 Lake Ave. N in Largo. Male or female. No expiration date.
Value: \$55

Professional Optometry Services

\$63 gift certificate from Dr. John L. Meyers, board certified optometrist, to provide eye examination or professional services. Certificate good at either of Dr. Meyers' offices: Clearwater (US Hwy 19 & Sunset Point) or Port Richey (Gulfview Square Mall).
Value: \$63

Smart Set Hair Salon

\$20 gift certificate to A Smart Set Salon located at 3200 East Bay Drive in Largo.
Value: \$20

J. Con Salon & Spa

\$50 gift certificate for any hair, nails, facials and massage services offered by J. Con Salon & Spa located at 5811 4th St N in St. Petersburg.
Value: \$50

Living Room Yoga

Gift certificate from Living Room Yoga located at 1608 29th Avenue N in St. Petersburg. Good for 5-class yoga pass or \$60 toward hypnotherapy, cranial sacral therapy or yoga therapy.
Value: \$60

Mani/Pedi Kit

Cute pink leather kit is small enough to tuck into a purse or overnight bag and has 6 steel manicure tools and emery boards.
Value: \$18

Sterling Silver Necklace

Delicate 16" sterling silver collar necklace with open work "Greek Key" design. It's one of Carol Heichel's treasures from the Platka in Athens.
Value: \$85

Olive Wood Pin

1.5" x 1/5" pin. It's called the Jerusalem Cross Pin (also known as the "Crusaders Cross") because its center cross represents Jerusalem and 4 crosses on its corners symbolize the 4 corners of the earth. Purchased in Israel by Carol Heichel.
Value: \$10

Home & Décor

Hand Painted Costa Rican Wine Holder with Bottle of Slovakian Liquor

Donated by Ed & Gladys Evan.
Value: \$25

Fax Machine.

This *Brother* model is ideal for basic faxing for personal use. Pre-owned by Marj Pease, in perfect working order with manual and cables.
Value: \$30



Pastel Drawings, Framed

2 glass framed pastel drawings from Disney Studios. Drawn for *Fantasia* prior to 1950. Each measures 10-1/2" x 14"

Value: \$80

Music box

4" tall and silverplated. Features 3 angels holding a trumpet, candle and book atop a base that serves as a windup mechanism to activate the melody of Silent Night while the angels rotate.

Value: \$20

Lenox Bud Vase.

A delicate décor accent, 6" tall, trimmed in gold.

Value: \$20



This and That

Barnes & Noble Gift Card.

\$25 gift card can be used for any purchase at any Barnes & Noble store nationwide or on Barnes & Noble website.

Value: \$20

Lesson: Beaded Necklace/Bracelet Making

Aila Erman will give a 2-hr lesson on making a necklace or bracelet. All materials are provided and you take home a finished product. Winning bidder can schedule a private lesson or arrange for a group lesson for up to 3 persons.

Value: \$50

Homemade Candy

You don't have to be from Ohio to enjoy these Ohio Buckeye candies. Three dozen of these yummy treats of peanut & chocolate were hand made by Lois Bircher.

Value: \$15

Rules of the Auction

Registration & Bidder Number

1. Admission is by ticket only. Tickets for the auction and dinner are \$12.50 and must be prepaid.
2. Upon arrival, each individual or couple will receive a Bidder Number that will identify the bidder during the Live Auction.

Silent Auction Bids

1. Items will be on display when the doors open at 5:00 pm. Each item will have a bid sheet.
2. All bids must be recorded on bid sheets.
3. Enter the amount of your bid and your full name.
4. Please note the required minimum bid and specified bidding increments on each bid sheet.
5. The highest bidder at closing time is the winning bid.
6. The silent auction closes at 7:00 pm. Names of highest bidders will be announced following the tally.

Live Auction Bids

1. The live auction will begin at 7:15 pm or as soon as the silent auction bid winners have been announced.
2. During the live auction, the decision of the auctioneer will be final in determining the last accepted bid, unless the unsuccessful bidder is bigger than the auctioneer.

Payment

1. Cashiers will be available after the silent auction closes
2. All sales are final. No refunds or exchanges.
3. All items must be paid for by cash or check. No credit cards.
4. All items must be paid in full by end of the event.
5. You must take your winning items home with you at the end of the event.