



START PLANNING

YOUR GETAWAY

ON THIS LUXURY OCEAN LINER

You're invited to set sail on one of the most glorious ships ever built, the SPS Patriot. The annual auction is the biggest fundraiser of the year for St. Peter's, and this time we're celebrating at sea. To make this voyage a success, we need your help. Here's what you can do to make our fundraising journey a memorable one.

★ SAVE THE DATE ★

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR **SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2012.**
THE SPS PATRIOT SETS SAIL AT 6:00PM.

★ PACK UP YOUR DONATIONS ★

We encourage every school family to make a contribution to the auction. That way, the ship will be packed from bow to stern with delightful treasures to share with all our passengers.

Discover a boatload of donation ideas on the back of this flier or contact our Acquisitions Chairperson, **Jill Hathaway** at jill@jhathawayshoeboutique or **816.516.4858**. Be sure to turn in the attached donor form as soon as possible. Donor forms are due **January 13, 2012**.

★ BECOME ONE OF THE SHIP'S VIPS ★

Many levels of sponsorship are available for this incredible getaway. It's a great way to promote your company, or you can join in with other families to act as an event sponsor. See the enclosed Corporate Underwriting form to learn more about all the exciting opportunities that await you on board the SPS Patriot.

★ NEW PORT OF CALL ★

This year we're launching an online auction so you, your family and friends can win items before the ship even sets sail. Watch for more details in the weeks ahead.

DONATION IDEAS

★ CASH

This is a great, and easy, donation. Any amount is fine. And much of the money is used to complete our larger packaged items or cover other auction expenses. If you'd like your donation to be used towards a specific event/item, please indicate this on your donor form. Cash donations can also be used towards class gifts; be sure to mention your child's grade.

★ DESTINATION UNKNOWN

- Condo or vacation home usage
- Tickets to a memorable show/event (live theatre, rock concerts, etc)
- Frequent flyer miles (air, hotel or car rental) are always needed to complete travel packages

★ GOOD FOOD - GOOD DRINK

- Gift certificates to restaurants
- Food baskets of any theme
- Baked goods (your specialty, delivered monthly)
- Dinner party at your home
- Fine wine/imported beers

★ SPORTS ENTHUSIAST

- Tickets to sporting events
- Autographed memorabilia
- Golf or tennis packages or lessons
- Camping items (tents, coolers, lanterns, etc.)
- Tailgate/BBQ packages

★ KIDS GALORE

- Birthday party packages
- Sports gear (golf, football, soccer equipment)
- Doll houses, dolls and clothing
- Kid transportation (bikes, tricycles, scooters)
- Toys (One-of-a-kind items, electronic games)

★ USE YOUR TALENTS

- Pottery, paintings, photography, painted children's furniture
- Handmade jewelry or hair accessories
- Hand-sewn or knitted clothes or items

★ HOME SWEET HOME

- Home décor and accessories (vases, frames, wreaths prints, rugs, crosses)
- Lawn care items and garden essentials (lawn mower, tools, bird bath, flower pots)
- Outdoor furniture and accessories

★ SPECIAL SERVICES

- Professional services (by the hour) – what's you, or your spouse's specialty?
- Lawn or landscaping services (planting spring flowers, mowing, yard clean-up)
- Painting, carpentry or handy man help
- Older children can offer their time by the hour, day, evening for babysitting, leaf raking, etc.
- Spa services (massages, manicures, pedicures)

★ PLAN A PARTY

Why not get together with friends and support the auction at the same time? The possibilities are endless. Just choose a theme, name the price per person, determine how many people can attend and let your imagination run wild! Share your ideas with Acquisitions Chair, **Jill Hathaway** at Jill@JHathawayShoeBoutique.com or **816.516.4858**.

★ ASK YOUR EMPLOYER

- Can you or your spouse's employer offer a product or service for free or at cost?
- Does your employer have a matching gift program? Maybe they'll match your donation!

★ CLASS GIFTS

Class gifts are always a sentimental and highly successful part of the auction. The materials for the class gifts are donated or purchased with funds designated specifically for a class gift. For more information, contact this year's Class Gift Coordinator, **Amy January** at amydawsonjanuary@kc.rr.com or **816.363.2425**.

★ CLASS PARTIES

Each student, ECLC through 4th Grade, has the opportunity to attend a fun party with classmates outside the usual school setting. Parent hosts are needed – this is a fun and easy donation. To learn more, contact Class Parties Coordinator, **Mary Beth Andersson** at marybandersson@kc.rr.com or **816.361.2315**.

★ DON'T FORGET ABOUT SCRIP

If you decide to make a gift card your auction donation, please consider using SPS Scrip cards. See **Sally Euston** in the office for a complete list of options.