

## Welcome to the 14th annual Crocker Highlands School Auction and THANK YOU ALL for helping us Raise the Roof and Reach the Stars!

What an amazing group of people who have come together, shared together, worked together and succeeded together. They say it takes a village to raise a child. Well, it takes a village to raise the roof and put on a successful auction. We're so grateful for the support and enthusiasm of the auction committee. The familiar faces and the new ones provided expertise, encouragement, love, support and a "let's do it" attitude throughout this awe-inspiring adventure. When we came to the team with a new idea they embraced it and built on it. What a gift for our children to see our community work together for the benefit of our school. This example we set for our children will teach them to make a difference in their own lives.

We are blessed for our kids to be part of such a fabulous school and community, with such a high quality educational environment that we have created, an amazing faculty who care so much, and a dedicated PTA who do so much. We are also very grateful for the generosity of the businesses and people in our community for the abundance of great donations we've received. This event would not be possible without that support.

We want to thank the veteran parents who guided us with their experience and the rookie parents who jumped right in and got involved, bringing us new ideas. There are too many people to acknowledge individually here, so please turn to page 52 of this catalog to see the full list of committee members.

These are tough economic times for a lot of people personally and also for education. With the current state of the government's budget, our school's programs are even more in jeopardy and the PTA may need to fill an even larger gap. Tonight, please be as generous as you can and remember that all of this is for our kids! We've laid the foundation to Raise the Roof, now it's up to you to Raise your Paddles tonight. Let's have some fun too!

Tonight we dedicate the auction to the children of Crocker Highlands Elementary School.

~Lisa Thorne and Tamara Zirkle, Auction Chairs