## **Guide to the True-Blue Gala**

The True-Blue Gala is just days away! Thank you for registering for the first annual True-Blue Gala charitable event. It's going to be a fun evening as we celebrate the many Bright Spots at DMCS this year and raise funds to support our scholarship fund by bidding on fantastic silent and live auction items. This email is full of tips to help prepare you for an incredible night! Table hosts, please share this information with your table guests so they are also prepared.

## **Set Up Your True-Blue Gala Bidding Account**

You will use your own smartphone for easy bidding and for monitoring bidding status on silent auction items at the True-Blue Gala, but you will need to set up your account in advance. Visit our secure online True-Blue Gala bidding website, **BidPal**, to:

- Set up your profile in the Quick Links Section, including registering your credit card information and selecting the setting to notify you if you've been outbid on an item you are bidding on.
- Preview the silent and live auction items with the Shop Items link.
- Submit bids on your favorite silent auction items before the True-Blue Gala begins. You can pre-set your maximum bid for each of your favorite silent auction items and our bids will carry over to the night of the True-Blue Gala.
- Download the Bid Pal app from your App Store to manage your bids from your smartphone.

With these simple steps before the True-Blue Gala begins, you can spend more time mingling and less time managing your silent auction bids.

## **Location, Location**

Don't forget the new location this year - Noah's Event Venue, 1805 90th St, West Des Moines.

Parking is available in their parking lot and, after 5:30 pm, in the Iowa Health Care Association parking lot just south of Noah's. If those are both full when you arrive, parking is available on 88th Street, west side of the street only, please.

## **Come True-Blue Ready**

- Bring your smartphone fully charged
- Dress code is dressy casual or your Sunday best.
- \$10 mystery bags are back bring cash to purchase. All mystery bags contain at least a \$10 value, and several have higher-valued surprises, including \$100 cash!
- Partner with friends to bid on Live Auction items ideal for groups to enjoy, such as dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Lambert, Major League Baseball series games, ultimate Des Moines area golf package, and a tree-house weekend in Clear Lake.
- · And get ready to have fun!

We look forward to a night of fun and celebrating God's faithfulness and goodness to DMCS at the True-Blue Gala, while raising funds to help realize more of the Bright Spots that God has planned for DMCS. Thank you for being True-Blue!