

September 24, 2007

Dear Friends of Heathwood:

The time to begin working on Heathwood Hall Episcopal School's 24th Annual Auction is here! The **2008 Annual Auction** will be held **Thursday, April 10th and Friday, April 11th**, so mark your calendars now.

The Annual Auction team is proud to announce that the Friday evening gala will again be held in the elegant ballroom at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. We will continue the tradition of holding Thursday's Family Night in Heathwood's Athletic Center. We are looking forward to two fun-filled and fund-filled evenings.

Heathwood Hall Episcopal School has led the Midlands community as the premier independent school for well over half a century. The Annual Auction continues that excellence in raising much needed funds for our school. Because of the passion, generosity and commitment of the Heathwood community, our 2007 Auction broke all records with a net profit of \$252,000.

All Auction proceeds directly benefit all our children by supporting the academic, administrative and extracurricular needs of the school. For example, last year's Auction funds were used to enhance many of our classrooms with **SMARTboards** technology. **SMARTboards** are interactive, touch-sensitive whiteboards used to energize teacher presentations and to motivate and engage students.

You can support the Annual Auction in many ways; any and all help is much appreciated! Sponsorships, ads, honoraria, or donations of items or services, as well as your attendance, are just a few ways you can participate. In addition, the donation of your time is vital to the Auction's success.

Please refer to the attached donation forms. Let us know how you would like to help by returning them to the Auction office. Alternatively, you can contact the Auction office at 231-7731 or by email at auction@heathwood.org.

Thank you in advance for your help in making the 2008 Annual Auction the most successful ever!

Sincerely,

Bhavna Vasudeva
2008 Auction Chair

Wendy Gatton
Friday Night Gala Chair

Barbara Petit
Family Night Co-Chair

Heather Powers
Family Night Co-Chair