



March 11, 2009

Dear Heathwood Hall Episcopal School Community:

In just a few days, our community will join together to participate in one of our biggest events of the year: Our Annual Auction Gala. This year, we are celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. From the quality and quantity of our auction items and sponsorships, to the level of volunteer participation and event attendance, we continue to be excited about the momentum here at Heathwood Hall. These indicators speak volumes about our commitment to our mission and our school. *Thank you for your support.*

To say our volunteers have worked hard would be a significant understatement. Their energy, enthusiasm and dedication have been a joy to witness. Our support of this event not only sends a message that we are committed to our school, but also to ensuring that our students and teachers have what they need for the highest quality of education to continue in our classrooms. It also sends a message of appreciation to all those who have worked to make our Annual Auction Gala successful for twenty-five years.

To plan and support an event of this nature in our current economic climate calls for an even higher level of commitment and sacrifice. Our volunteers have planned the event and solicited and packaged auction items in consideration of the state of our economy. So, in addition to fabulous vacations, jewelry, parties and sports packages, you will find auction items that offer services you may already be planning to use or purchase, such as orthodontic care, dry cleaning or reserved parking at the school. We hope you will consider purchasing such items through the auction process.

*If you are unable to join us Saturday evening, you may still submit bids until 3 p.m. this Friday, March 13. To place an absentee bid, please email the auction office at [auction@heathwood.org](mailto:auction@heathwood.org) or call 231-7731.*

So, if you haven't yet registered and still wish to do so, please contact the Auction Office right away.

The support for our Annual Auction Gala is inspiring. I look forward to seeing you there!

With thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charles H. Jones III".

Charles H. Jones III  
Head of School