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Cathedral High School event raises more than half a million for tuition assistance, programs, and enrichment

Annual ShamrAuction gala breaks both attendance and fundraising records

INDIANAPOLIS—March 19, 2015—Nicole Beasley, vice president for advancement at Cathedral High School, announces that the school's fundraiser held Saturday, February 28, raised \$560,000 for tuition assistance, academic programs, student activities, and faculty development. The 38th annual ShamrAuction broke both fundraising records for the event as well as attendance records. "We are so blessed to have a Cathedral family that comes together for such an amazing evening and believes so strongly in the mission of the school," she says.



According to Monica Pollom, director of events and corporate relations, this year's ShamrAuction was the most successful to date. The sold-out crowd of more than 830 guests enjoyed a silent auction, hors d'oeuvres, live auction, and performances by the Cathedral choirs, dance team, and theatre students. Aerial dancers, speed painter Tim Decker, and music by Toy Factory provided entertainment for the parents, donors, alumni, friends, and sponsors in attendance. "We want to especially thank this year's co-chairs, Dr. Matt Will and Kristi Macadaeg, and their committees for making this a night to remember," says Pollom. "And a special thank you to our volunteer coordinator and assistant director of events Mary Myers for transforming Cathedral into an unbelievable experience for all. We also want to acknowledge that nearly 300 adults and students volunteered their time to help make the event such as success."

Co-chairs Dr. Matt Will and Kristi Macadaeg welcome emcee Kevin Gregory, WRTV6, to the 38th annual Cathedral ShamrAuction.



The sold-out crowd of more than 800 helped raise vital funds to support the students of Cathedral High School through tuition assistance and more.

ShamrAuction is an annual event held by the Cathedral High School advancement department that raises funds to support programs and services not covered by tuition alone. “Each student at Cathedral benefits from the money we raise this evening,” says Beasley. In addition, a special Fund-a-Need request raised a record breaking \$53,185 for a new chemistry lab named in honor of long-time Cathedral science teacher, Glenn Mauger.

The ShamrAuction evening event, plus associated programs including the Cathedral Christmas Store, online silent auction, ShamrAuction raffle, Freshman Class Party, Forever Irish Ladies Luncheon, and Trivia Night, contributes more than half-a-million dollars to the \$2.5 million that must be raised annually to supplement the complete cost of a Cathedral education, says Beasley.

For more information and to view photos from this year’s event, visit CathedralShamrAuction.com

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About Cathedral High School

Cathedral is a private, independent, Catholic, college-preparatory school serving approximately 1,300 students in grades 9 to 12. The school was founded in 1918 by the Brothers of Holy Cross and for 95 years has followed the philosophy of profoundly shaping how young men and women think, serve, and lead. For more information, visit gocathedral.com.

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