

Frequently Asked Questions about Cretin-Derham Hall's Gala Dinner
Saturday, October 28, 2017
6:00 p.m. Reception; 7:00 p.m. Dinner
University of St. Thomas
Anderson Student Center-James B. Woulfe Alumni Hall
2115 Summit Ave, Saint Paul

Q. What is the Cretin-Derham Hall Legacy Gala Dinner?

A. The Gala Dinner is the premier event at CDH. The dinner draws guests from all segments of the CDH community—alumni, parents, past parents, faculty, our founding religious orders and friends. **You do NOT have to be an alumni of Cretin, Derham Hall or CDH to attend.**

The goals for the Gala Dinner are threefold: to build community, advance the mission and values of Cretin-Derham Hall, and engender philanthropic support.

Q. Will I be asked for a gift at this event?

A. The Gala Dinner is the kickoff to the school's Annual Fund campaign.

Q. How much are the tickets?

A. Each regular admission ticket to the Gala Dinner is \$100. Benefactor opportunities are also available and are explained below. *Ticket sales are not intended to supplant gifts to the school's Annual Fund.*

The Gala Dinner will feature a cash bar during the reception, complimentary wine with a sit-down dinner (as opposed to a buffet), dessert and a limited host bar (beer, pop and water) during the dance.

Q. How can I become a Benefactor to this event, beyond the regular ticket price?

Any amount over \$100 per person is considered a charitable gift and will help supplement tuition assistance for CDH students and their families. (*Again, ticket sales are not intended to supplant gifts to the school's Annual Fund.*) **Each benefactor ticket includes the regular admission price of \$100 per person.**

Benefactor Levels

Gold Benefactor: \$625 per person

Silver Benefactor: \$375 per person

Bronze Benefactor: \$250 per person

Opportunities are also available for sponsorships and advertising. For more information about these opportunities, or if you would like to host a table, please contact **Rob Bollinger, Vice-President for Advancement, at 651-696-3307, rbollinger@c-dh.org.**

Q. Is this a black tie affair?

No, the recommended dress for this event is business or cocktail attire. However, people are certainly free to come in more formal attire.

Q. Do I need to get a table together?

A. There will be assigned seating for all guests, and **it is not necessary to sign up with other people.** However, should you want to be seated with a specific guest(s), you need to

indicate that on your RSVP form. Although we encourage parents, families, alumni and friends to reserve tables together, this event is also a great way to meet and mingle with members of our entire CDH community! Tables are available for 8 guests.

Q. Can my kids come?

A. We encourage attendance from adults age 21 years and older. Guests under 21 should attend with a parent or guardian.

Q. Will there be a dance?

A. Yes, the event features the George Hottinger Blues Band, a very popular local dance band that will play following the evening's program.

Q. What kind of program will be presented at the Dinner?

A. New this year will be a few live auction items as well as a fund-a-need!

Q. Who is chairing the 2017 Gala Dinner?

A. The 2017 Gala chairs are:

- **Rob & Stefanie Phythian**
- **Jerry & Jeanne Inserra Dolinsky'82**

Q. Who is the 2017 Honorary Host Family?

A. The Arnold-Long-Rancone Families

**For additional information or with questions, please contact
Peggy Gilligan, Director of Annual Fund at 651-696-3319, pgilligan@c-dh.org.**