

STONE CREEK SCHOOL

GO BOLDLY

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Inaugural Kentucky Derby Fundraising Event a Success: *School Finishes Win, Place AND Show*

Avon, CO . . . 175 guests attended the inaugural Kentucky Derby Event at the Park Hyatt Saturday evening and by every account, it was a huge success. The night featured a fabulous silent auction, a mint julep station, live clips from the Kentucky Derby and dancing. The Live Auction was a huge success with nearly \$30,000 being raised for the Technology Fund-a-Need. Bill & Kathy Carty purchased the 'Principal for a Day' Live Auction Item for their daughter Haley. Rumor has it that she's been busy planning her day at the 'helm' . . . stay tuned, this should be really fun! And don't complain when you see the Cross family 'cutting the carpool line'. They paid for it- pole position for one whole year.

The class art projects were a huge success. Thank you to Lynn Perry, Mary Miller and Tina Sommers for working so hard on the students' auction items. You may very well see the 1st grade dog house at the Vail Valley Hospital. Drex and Debbie Douglas purchased the dog house and intend to use it as a brochure and display rack in the lobby to help promote the trained dogs that visit patients who are hospitalized.

Some other highlights included the Stone Creek School Go Boldly video presentation which tugged at our hearts. There wasn't a dry eye in the house! (This presentation will be shown to our student body and any parents who were not present at Derby night at an upcoming event.) Dancing to "Dirty Shoes" was lively following the auction with a few dancing injuries reported Monday morning (have you seen anyone on crutches?!). The generosity, energy and spirit was simply amazing and in spite of the spring snowfall, everyone came dressed in festive outfits and Derby Hats (next year a hat contest will be added!).

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A BIG thank you to Kathy Fort Carty, Toni McCabe, Carol Coudouy, Jen Clouatre and several DSC staff who really made the auction a success! We hope that you will all frequent the local businesses that supported our event. Please show your appreciation by doing business with these fine companies: The Park Hyatt, Davis Audio, Visual, Beaver Liquors, Destination Services, StarPro Entertainment, Stokes Auction Group and AuctionPay, Petals & Pours.

And finally, we would like to thank our friends at the Eagle County Charter Academy, Vail Mountain School and other Eagle County schools, friends and neighbors who came out to support our school. The message that they took home was loud and clear- SCS has experienced some tough challenges its first year, but we are alive and well on our way!

For more information on Stone Creek School, see the website at www.stonecreekschool.org or call (970) 748-4535.

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