
March 18, 2009



Dear Parents/Guardians of Students in BG and Company,

On Friday, May 1, the BG and Company Arts Troupes at **Birch Grove Elementary School for the Arts** are hosting an adult-centered benefit event that is open to the public – **Spotlight on the Arts!** The fundraiser supports the sustainability of Troupes providing for needs such as costumes, props, scenery, special arts supplies, and buses into the community. The special project for this year's **Spotlight on the Arts!** is to raise funds towards a performance space in the school courtyard.

The evening will include:

- An Art Walk of work by the Visual Arts Troupe,
- Performances by the Show Choir, Dance Troupe, and Drama Troupe,
- A video documentary by the Media Troupe,
- Coffee and dessert, and
- Silent Auction.

This is a great evening to showcase the work and talents of our Birch Grove students. **Spotlight on the Arts!** is also an event that will help sustain funding to support an advanced Arts experience for your child and others.

Everyone attending this benefit event needs to purchase a ticket.

An order form is attached.

Tickets are available from Mrs. Carroll in the Birch Grove office beginning Tuesday, April 14 or at the door.

Members of each Arts Troupe are asked to work with their leader to create a basket for the Silent Auction. Donations for the Troupe Basket are due to the Troupe leader by Tuesday, April 28. Items should be NEW and might cost \$5.00-10.00.

Dance Troupe – Family Fun Time Basket
Drama Troupe – Movies and Theater Basket
Media Arts Troupe – Media Arts Basket
Show Choir Troupe – Baking Basket
Visual Arts Troupe – Visual Arts Basket

We are also accepting donations of other items for the Silent Auction from you, the businesses you work for, friends or neighbors. We've had a wide variety of items and values in the past, and all are greatly appreciated. Items may be turned in through Tuesday, April 28 at the main office or to Mrs. Carlson in room 60.

Thank you for supporting your child's interest in the Arts Troupes.
We hope you can join us on May 1!