

Be an Opportunist!



by Sarah A. Cart

In addition to spectacular Showcase items that you can read about here next week, this year's All Charities Auction offers so many opportunities "Not to be Missed," that those words are heading up their own category of Member-to-Member offerings, all deserving of your serious consideration, and serious bids.

The selections span the spectrum from sheer fun to absolutely irresistible ... and your active and generous participation from the moment the online auction goes "live" Feb. 12 right up through the

final drop of the gavel (virtually) late on the evening of Saturday, Feb. 20, will be appreciated more now, more than ever.

Your group can choose to join **Anne Marie and Murray Peretz** aboard their 90-foot Burger, Escapist, to cruise to Miami and back for dinner at Prime Italian or step up the gangway for a gourmet feast on **Bonnie and Harold Zeigler's** 115-foot Ocean Alexander during one of its inaugural outings next winter. Join **Linda and Lance Hool** in their new Card Sound home to screen an Academy Award contender and then discuss it over a delicious evening meal (so when you watch the Oscars at the end of April, you'll have a whole new perspective).

Looking for a week's escape with fun fishing and great golfing? Get your New England beach fix this summer at **Karen and Paul DiMaura's** Martha's Vineyard cottage or **Shannon and Pam Bass's** custom-designed new home in Nantucket's Old Surfside, or

head west to experience the big life of a wonderful small town in Sun Valley, thanks to **Diana Frazier, Patti and Don McGrath**, and **Mindy and Steve Slovick**, or come fall, settle into a condo at the Westin Riverfront Resort & Spa in Vail courtesy of **Laura and Mark Zausmer** and **Debra and Chuck McKenney**.

Celebrate an occasion, or turn an occasion into a celebration, by chartering the Somerset Trumpy here on The Reef or along the southeastern seaboard or a Barton & Gray Hinckley from any one of their dozens of locations on the eastern seaboard or in Chicago. Finally, much farther afield literally and chronologically, your duo can vie to fish in the Seychelles in spring 2022.

Read about all of these in your copy of the All Charities catalog when it arrives with the Feb. 12 *Ocean Reef Press*.

Your generous support of All Charities strengthens the missions of the entities that enhance Ocean Reef's Unique Way of Life: The Medical Center, The Academy, the Cultural Center, the Conservation Association, ORCAT and the Art League, and enables the Ocean Reef Community Foundation to fulfill its calling to the benefit of thousands in Key Largo, Homestead and Florida City.

And don't forget that for just \$1000 you can become one of only 500 Patron level or higher supporters with a chance to take title to (that's right: own, not lease!) a brand-new Lexus

– reach out to the All Charities office before the **February 15 deadline**.

Details for how to register for your bid number will be available soon, and shortly, you will also have the opportunity to schedule your Feb. 19 in-person visit to view the auction items and take part in the Members Choice wine tasting.

No matter where you are the evening of Feb. 20, plan to join us at 6:45 p.m. for the virtual online program (yes, the rumor about Jimmy Buffett is true!) Afterward, cast your final bids for any and all items in the auction.

When the time comes, please make the most of your opportunities; All Charities will be grateful, more now, more than ever.

All Charities' purpose:

Since 2008, All Charities has united the Ocean Reef community and raised over \$40 million, helping enable the Reef's Medical Center, Cultural Center, Academy, Conservation Association, ORCAT and Art League to fulfill their missions. Additionally, thanks to All Charities' support for the Ocean Reef Community Foundation, millions of dollars have been passed along through grants to a wide variety of charitable organizations from Homestead and Florida City throughout the Keys.

Questions? Contact Lesa Crayne or Amy Cornaire in the All Charities office by calling 305-367-5963 or emailing allcharities@oceanreef.com.