

MAKING TRACKS FOR CELIACS

Silent Auction

Dear Silent Auction Donor:

Have you heard of Celiac Disease (CD)? 1 out of every 133 American adults and children have this under-diagnosed immune-mediated disorder that directly affects the gastrointestinal tract, when gluten (protein found in wheat, rye, and barley) is ingested. Left untreated, this disorder may cause other problems to arise, such as malabsorption, vitamin deficiencies, osteoporosis, infertility, dental enamel defects, and cancer. In the U.S., it takes an average of 11 years to be properly diagnosed with CD. Why? CD is thought to be rare and many doctors don't consider testing patients for it.

The Annual Silent Auction will be held on Sunday, May 31, 2009 in conjunction with the Making Tracks for Celiacs 5K Walk/Run at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores. Monies generated will go to support the Center for Celiac Research at the University of Maryland and to increase awareness of Celiac Disease (www.celiacwalk.org).

You can make a difference by making a tax-deductible donation valued at **\$50** or more to our Silent Auction. Some items that were donated in the past were autographed memorabilia, gift certificates, and gift baskets. Donations must be received by **May 3, 2009**. Donated items will become property of Tri-County Celiac Support Group, a non-profit organization (www.tccsg.com). A tax-deductible letter will be mailed after the event.

Thank you for your support!

Diane Tapp

E-mail or mail the completed form to **Diane Tapp at 45 Willow Tree Place, Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236**. If you are unable to mail Diane the donation or bring it to a TCCSG meeting, a committee member will be able to pick it up. If you have any questions pertaining to this event, please contact Diane Tapp at DTappavich@comcast.net or (248) 505-5446.

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I will support CD research and awareness by donating the following item(s):

Description

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