



Evening Under the Stars and Cena de Colores

GATHERED TOGETHER VIRTUALLY



Dear Friend of Mt. Claret and Fellow Cursillistas,

Greetings from Mt. Claret Retreat Center and the Cursillo Movement of Phoenix! Located on the south side of Camelback Mountain, Mt. Claret is a favorite retreat center that serves many Diocesan organizations and ministries. Our campus is an oasis where parishes, schools and organizations come for offsite meetings and day retreats. 2020 clearly presents us with some unique challenges to hosting the annual Cena de Colores and Evening Under the Stars. We have decided to work together to present a virtual modified version of both of our events titled "Evening Under the Stars and Cena de Colores Gathered Together" on October 24, 2020. We will have many of the usual components that our typical dinner auction provides – except for dinner and the ability to gather in a large group! Through Zoom and YouTube, we will provide a virtual experience that we are sure will be fun and exciting!

A special component this year is we have asked John and Kay Sack to be our honorees! John and Kay have been part of the fabric of Mt. Claret through their involvement with the Cursillo Movement, Order of Malta, Christ Child Society, and overall support in helping to establish Mt. Claret as an active retreat center. We look forward to "seeing" them and hearing from them on October 24, 2020 as well as some other special guests. Stay tuned for more information and please plan on joining us October 24.

Like many others accomplishing notable works of charity, The Cursillo Movement of Phoenix and Mt. Claret depend on your generous donations and support for our existence. We are looking for donations of high value for this event's silent auction. Successful items from past events include:

- **Gift Certificates for the ever-popular rounds of golf, restaurants, entertainment events, hotel "staycations"**
- **Travel packages to exotic locations**
- **Weekend or week-long vacation home rentals**
- **Fine wine and liquor baskets**
- **Museum or other cultural organization memberships**
- **Home Décor Art, Soleri bells, garden table/potting bench, patio furniture, landscaping gift card**
- **Outdoor Leisure: Cruiser/beach bike, kayak, paddle board, REI gift card, gift certificate for the Desert Belle on Saguaro Lake, fitness watch, Go Pro camera**
- **Spa Packages**
- **Entertainment: theater tickets, movies, restaurants in theme of "dining around the world," symphony tickets, WiFi speaker, headphones, iPad, Kindle**
- **Sports: Diamondbacks/Cardinals/Suns/Coyotes**

Please consider donating an item or a gift certificate for goods or services this year. We know that Evening Under the Stars will be a success for the Center, thanks to benevolent friends like you. Items can either be dropped off at Mt. Claret **NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 10**, or we will be happy to pick them up personally. **If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office 9AM-5PM at 602.840.5066.** Contributions received are tax-deductible to the fullest amount allowed by current law.

May God always bless you and your loved ones. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

Yours in Christ,

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