



GOURMETS FOR GOD EVENT DONATION FORM

You are invited to discover our Community's delightful culinary talents and meet new friends!

How does it work? Read on...

Members and Friends of the Center volunteer to host a dinner, a brunch, a breakfast, a picnic (everything is possible!) for a predetermined number of guests decided by YOU, the Host(s). The event can be in your home or any other location – again, everything is possible! We are even accepting virtual events!

Fellow Members and Friends will then bid on your event(s) during our *Gourmets for God* silent auction, which will commence after Sunday services beginning **Sunday, September 29**, thus creating a delightful fundraiser for West Valley Center for Spiritual Living!

Please volunteer to host an event! You may sign up to Host an event after Sunday services after service (visit a *Gourmets for God* team member in Papke Hall.) **Donation forms are due no later than September 22.** All events will be held between **December 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025** – you get to choose the date(s) that work best for you.

WHAT DO GOURMETS FOR GOD HOSTS DO?

Gourmets for God hosts will sponsor and host events that can be simple or elaborate. Some hosts provide pizza and others use their own unique passion and creativity to provide culinary delights. Examples of possible Gourmets for God events include casual picnics at sunset, elegant meals with charades, a soup dinner with singing and entertainment, cookie baking and brunch, Mac N Cheese and Henna, or a crafting event with lunch. Events can even be virtual! No cooking skills required. *Costco and Safeway cook well!* It doesn't have to be fancy since it is just for fun and the joy of being together and making new friends. But, don't let that stop your creativity if you are an experienced chef or a genuine "foodie"!

Hosts can sponsor more than one event. Perhaps you can cook, and your friend has a special talent. Pair up with a co-host to offer a distinctive event! Complete a separate Event Donation form for each event.

Please note: As the host/chef, you will be providing the food, drink and entertainment. All income from the silent auction benefits West Valley CSL. Thank YOU!

Just think, you can even plan your event for Christmas, Chanukah, Memorial Day or New Year's and create a new circle of friends for the holidays! Events will be published in our auction booklet and on the website, in order for the joyful anticipation to build. **Winning bidders will be notified by October 25.**

Be creative with your event ideas and descriptions, or, please know that the *Gourmets for God* team will be happy to "spice it up!" Here are some examples: *Dinner & a Movie, Bowl Dogs (hot dogs and bowling!), Bollywood Curry, Raw Food Class (Eat, Pray, Live!), Thanksgiving in June, Dinner and Dominos, Walking and Waffles, Tapas and 'Tini's, Carols and Cookies (Christmas caroling and cookie-baking party), Ice Cream socials, Dinner for 6, Family activities or singles only. As you can see, there's plenty of opportunity for fun, food and fellowship!*

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Will you be present at the bidding table to help promote your event: Y ___ N ___
(We have found that this can help to generate excitement about your event, but this is not a requirement)

IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE PROVIDE A PHOTO (preferably of yourself) RELEVANT FOR THE EVENT FLYER.

DATE (OF YOUR EVENT): _____ TIME: FROM _____ TO _____

PLEASE NOTE, THIS DATE AND TIME MUST BE FIRM IN YOUR CALENDAR; IT CANNOT BE CHANGED ONCE IT IS PUBLISHED, SO PLEASE CHECK YOUR CALENDAR CAREFULLY!

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF GUESTS YOU WISH TO HOST: _____

PLEASE NOTE: ONLY THE PRIMARY EVENT CONTACT WILL RECEIVE THE CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THIS EVENT

PRIMARY EVENT CONTACT NAME:

EVENT CONTACT PHONE NUMBER(S): _____

(PLEASE INCLUDE HOME AND CELL AND/OR BEST DAYTIME CONTACT NUMBER)

EVENT CONTACT EMAIL: _____

SECONDARY EMAIL CONTACT:

EVENT HOSTED BY: _____

IS THIS A VIRTUAL EVENT? CIRCLE: Y N

IF SO, WHICH PLATFORM WILL YOU USE? _____

EVENT TO BE HELD AT THIS LOCATION/ADDRESS: _____

IN CASE OF A TIE WOULD YOU ACCEPT AN ADDITIONAL GUEST ? CIRCLE: Y N

DESCRIPTION OF YOUR EVENT:

BE CREATIVE! AND PLEASE KNOW THAT THE G4G COMMITTEE MAY REWRITE/RETITLE YOUR EVENT FOR MARKETING PURPOSES.

OTHER DETAILS:

EVENT VALUE (please speak to your tax professional for information on tax deductions): _____

WILL YOUR EVENT INCLUDE ALCOHOL: _____ YES _____ NO

ARE CHILDREN INVITED: _____ YES _____ NO

(IF ALCOHOL IS SERVED, YOUR EVENT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ADULTS ONLY)

This event is:

Adults only: _____

Youth-focused; suggested age range: _____

All ages welcome _____

Parent-friendly: all ages are welcome. Activities & food for children and parents can connect with other adults: _____

IS THERE ANYTHING THE BIDDER SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE VENUE FOR THIS EVENT? (e.g., NOT SUITABLE FOR ANYONE WITH CAT/DOG ALLERGIES, NOT FOR CERTAIN FOOD ALLERGIES – e.g., THAI FOOD CONTAINS PEANUTS, NOT GLUTEN-FREE, ETC., ATTENDEES WILL NEED TO NAVIGATE STAIRS, NOT WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE, OUTDOOR VENUE, WE HAVE BEE HIVES, ETC.)

IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT THE GOURMETS FOR GOD COMMITTEE TO BE AWARE OF? FOR EXAMPLE, “THIS IS A LABOR-INTENSIVE EVENT PREPARED BY A TRAINED CHEF WITH WINE PAIRINGS AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED A ‘PREMIUM’ EVENT WHEN SETTING THE STARTING BID.”

(NOTE: THE G4G TEAM DETERMINES EVENT PRICING.)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

BON APPETIT!