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2009 GLADHANDER
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Gladhander is one of Traverse City's oldest and most prestigious gala events.

It's also a significant source of funding for the Grand Traverse Area Catholic Schools – having raised over \$8 million since 1983. Today, Gladhander accounts for approximately 8% of the Schools' total operating budget.

THERE ARE MANY FACETS OF GLADHANDER:

- **Live Auction** – Items obtained through the generous donations of local businesses and individuals are auctioned to the approximately 700 people on-hand for the Main Event. Items range from furnishings and electronics to incredible vacation packages and today's top new vehicles.
- **Silent Auction** – Decorated booths create themed "shops." Attendees place incremental bids on items up until the booth's appointed closing time.
- **Internet Auction** – The internet auction opens up the excitement of Gladhander to the world via the world wide web. Selected items are available for bid before, during and after the Main Event.
- **Raffle** – It's the pinnacle of prizes! First prize is the winner's choice of a luxury vehicle or \$30,000 in cash, with the drawing taking place on Auction Night. Fourteen additional cash awards are also given away as Raffle prizes. Early ticket buyers will be eligible for our "Early Bird Raffle" drawing at the Homecoming game. Need not be present to win.

CHANCE

Gladhander 2009 is all about "Fun & Games"

This year's Gladhander promises to be big fun...and games! From classic board games to traditional TV game shows, you'll find all your favorites represented in the fabulous decorations and auction items. If you play your cards right and follow the rules, you just might end up as the winning bidder on one of our fabulous items... or a brand new car! Plan now to attend this prestigious event which enables us to offer a Christ-centered, quality education for more than 1000 young people.

PREVIEW NIGHT

(Open to the Public)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

MAIN EVENT

(Advance Tickets Only)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Donate and receive recognition in the 2009 Gladhander catalog, plus the loyal patronage of the many friends and supporters of the Grand Traverse Area Catholic Schools. Most donations are tax-deductible.

Attend and be part of one of the area's finest fundraisers, complete with a live auction, elegant dinner and drinks, raffle prizes and plenty of opportunities to visit with old friends and make new ones. We'll even serve you breakfast at midnight! Cost is \$150 per person.

Volunteer and experience the miraculous transformation of our school "up close and personal" by volunteering your time and talents. It's an experience you'll never forget!



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