

The 2019 Romona Benefit "Jump Jump Jubilee!"

February 23rd, 2019 at 6:30pm Maggiano's Old Orchard Mall

Welcome to the 2019 Romona Benefit, "Jump Jump Jubilee!" We are so excited that this once a year, all-school parent event is here at last. We hope you use this opportunity to meet new friends, socialize with 'old' ones, and help strengthen our wonderful Romona community.

We are also excited to celebrate Romona's 60th Anniversary! We are proud of our history and reputation for quality instruction, learning and achievement. Did you know that the very first Romona Benefit was held in 1959? Each year the Romona Elementary School PTA raises funds for a specific project that benefits the entire school. This year we are charged with raising money for new playground equipment. It is estimated that it will cost \$130,000 to replace our playground, which is over 25 years old. We hope the 2019 Romona Benefit will help jump start this ambitious campaign!

About The Benefit

There are several ways you can help support a new playground at the Benefit: Sign-Up Parties: Each year some generous Romona teachers and families plan and host themed parties or activities during the months that follow the Benefit. Each party/activity has a set cost to attend. You can sign up to attend and 100% of the funds raised go to Romona's Playground Fund. There are sign-up parties for kids hosted by teachers, there are sign-up parties for moms-only, for dads-only, and there are sign-up opportunities for everyone!

<u>Live Auction:</u> After dinner you'll have the chance to bid on unique experiences. Listen attentively to hear the descriptions presented and **make sure your hand goes up** to bid! You'll be able to preview the live auction items online before the Benefit.

Silent Auction: There are many things in this year's silent auction you won't want to miss! From artwork to theatre tickets, from sporting events to restaurant experiences, you'll find a variety of products and services all generously donated by local businesses and Romona parents. While auction items will be displayed, all bidding will occur online, so you'll want to bring your cell phone.

Only those who have purchased a ticket will be able to bid online.

The Silent Auction will be open from 6:30-9:30pm.

<u>Donate-It-Now</u>: If the high excitement of the live auction isn't your thing, and you don't find anything you'd like to place a bid on, perhaps you would like to **make an outright donation** towards purchasing a piece of playground equipment. There will be several items to choose from including a "Cascade Climber", "Double Swoosh Slide" and a "TightRope Bridge".

Auction Details

If you purchase a ticket to the Benefit, you will receive a link to ClickBid, our online auction site, shortly before the Benefit in mid-February. Your personal access code will let you sign up for the online bidding process. You will be able to enter your credit card details ahead of time to pay for any purchases made the night of the event.

Each family will be assigned a bid number. Bid numbers will be sent out via email prior to the Benefit. A list of auction items will be released in February so you can read descriptions to see what's available. The list will be continuously updated as items are donated.

Ticket Information

Your \$60 Benefit ticket includes appetizers, a sit-down dinner served family style, non-alcoholic drinks, dessert, music and dancing, and awesome opportunities to raise money for the new playground by bidding on live, silent and "donate-it-now" auction items. **New this year**: purchase a \$30 bar wristband for 4 hours of unlimited beer, wine, and spirits! Bar wristbands must be purchased along with a Romona Benefit ticket.

Please note that all ticket proceeds pay for the cost of the evening and do not in any way pay for the playground equipment.

Romona Elementary School PTA is a non-profit and donations are considered tax deductible. Your bid on any auction item - live or silent — is your commitment to purchase the item. ALL SALES ARE FINAL. There are no exchanges or refunds. No refunds will be issued for unused tickets to any sign-up parties. Make sure you read the descriptions for any expiration dates or restrictions. Bring your calendar or check ahead of time for any sign-up party date conflicts.

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6:30pm Cocktails & Appetizers
Silent Auction Bidding Begins
7:30pm Dinner
8:15pm Live Auction
8:30pm Dessert & Dancing
9:30pm Silent Auction Bidding Ends
10:30pm 2019 Romona Benefit Ends

We hope to see you there!