

Dueling pianos headline at Sun Prairie Education Foundation fundraiser

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On Thursday, Oct. 16, the Sun Prairie Education Foundation will be holding a fundraising event, Keys to the Future, at Angell Park Pavilion from 6-10 p.m. The silent auction event is presented by the Bank of Sun Prairie, and sponsored by Glenn and Judy Fenske, McGann Construction Inc., Chris Stevens Dental, Bradley Farms and St. Mary's Hospital.

Stark Company Realtors, in honor of the company's 100th year, has assisted in the Silent Auction event by gathering auction items and donations, and by selling tickets.

Keys to the Future will be a fun-filled evening of dueling pianos, a traditional pig auction (autographed-artistic ceramic pigs) and a silent auction.

The event will be catered by Edith's Catering and includes soda, beer, and wine. All proceeds from this event will be used to fulfill the Foundation's mission of "enhancing excellence in education in the Sun Prairie School District."

One of the main attractions at the silent auction fundraiser is the dueling pianos, featuring Steve Vaught and Adam

Browne.

Vaught has been banging out songs on the piano since he was four years old. Steve had his first Dueling Pianos gig at Pat O'Brien's in Memphis, Tennessee. From Tennessee, Steve went on tour, entertaining crowds across the nation. In 2004, Steve moved to Minneapolis to join the original Shout House Dueling Pianos team.

Browne is a singer/songwriter, pianist and entertainer who has been involved with several top acts in Minnesota including the Westside Band, voted the City Pages Best Old Band of the Year 2004. As a pianist and vocalist, Adam currently plays in regular rotation at The Shout House Dueling Pianos. Adam is also a published songwriter, including credits with nationally renowned acapella recording group, The Blenders.

Silent auction items include a four-month lease car from Smart Motots, \$500 spa package from Hair Excellence, Wilderness Resort overnight stay from Allied Mortgage, a half day guided fishing trip from Terry Balding, \$500 gift certificate from New Glasses Vision Care, \$500 tooth whitening from

Dr. James Amstadt, 19 inch flat screen TV from Chase TV, 18 foot cubic FT refrigerator from Handy Appliance, Electric motor bike, life-size nut cracker soldier from Glen Fenske, golf foursome from Maple Bluff and The Oaks, an Original quilt from Ollie Berge, a Lance Armstrong signed jersey, a wine collection from Frank and Pam Albi, a gift basket from Prairie Flowers, \$500 carpet cleaning from Chem Dry, a five course dinner for two at L'Etoile, a gift basket from Heads Up Hair Salon, two pies from Market Street Diner, autographed books by Jacquelyn Mitchard, UW Badger football tickets, UW Badger basketball tickets, Silpada Jewelry, 10 free games at Prairie Lanes, and many, many more.

For more information about the Keys to the Future event or if you have a silent auction item, please call (608) 834- 6521 or e-mail speducationfoundation@gmail.com.

Tickets cost \$25 and are available at Stark Company Realtors Sun Prairie office, at 1625 W. Main Street, Sun Prairie, the Bank of Sun Prairie, Sentry Foods, Beans n' Cream, and *The Star* office.