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A tip from Turkey, donate tonight to support beautiful gardens, care for the animals and free admission.

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Welcome to Bouquets, Como Friends’ most spirited fundraiser! Your support ensures that Como Park Zoo and Conservatory gets the extra care and feeding it needs to thrive—and remains free for all.

Make sure to experience all the activities this evening:

• Como’s Animal Ambassadors & Garden Stations
  - Turbo the Tegu 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Fern Room Lobby)
  - Turkey the Amazon Parrot 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Visitor Center Lobby)
  - Cupid the Penguin 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Visitor Center Lobby)
  - Hedgehog at the Como Friends’ table 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Hallway between the Visitor Center and the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory)
  - Bromeliad and Poison Dart Frogs 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Exhibit Gallery Lobby)
  - Bonsai 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (The Ordway Gardens)

• Como’s Orchid House Will Be Open from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Entrance in the Fern Room)

• 12 Wine Sampling Stations
  (Throughout both floors of the Visitor Center, the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory and The Ordway Gardens)

• Bouquets Beer Garden
  (Auditorium on the 2nd Floor of the Visitor Center)

• Spirit Tasting
  (The Ordway Gardens)

• 15 Food Stations Serving Delectable Morsels
  (Throughout both floors of the Visitor Center, the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory and The Ordway Gardens)

• Silent Auction of Only-Como Selections and Items to Wine, Dine and Do!
  (Hallway between the Visitor Center and the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory)

• Cork Pull to Win Wine, Restaurant Gift Cards and More
  (Hallway between the Visitor Center and the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory)

• Games to Have Fun and Support Como!
  - Bean Bag Toss to Win A Yeti Cooler filled with Beer (Bouquets Beer Garden)
  - Plinko to Win a “Year of Experiences” Package (Exhibit Gallery Lobby)

• Live Music:
  - Mark Stillman on Accordion (Bouquets Beer Garden)

• Garden Safari Gifts Will Be Open
  (1st Floor of the Visitor Center)
Bean Bag Toss
(Located in the Bouquets Beer Garden in the Auditorium on the Second Floor of the Visitor Center)

The festive Bouquets Beer Garden is home to a new activity at Bouquets—the Bean Bag Toss! Play for a chance to win a Yeti Cooler filled with beer and other beer-related items.

Receive one raffle ticket for getting a bag on the board and three for getting a bag in the hole. If you miss the board, don’t worry, you will still be rewarded with a fun prize!

Tickets are $20 for three bean bags.

Thanks to our Bean Bag Toss donors: Friend of Como, Annie Huidekoper, Loon Juice, Dan Parker and Suburban Ace Hardware.

Plinko
(Located in the Exhibit Gallery Lobby on the First Floor of the Visitor Center)

Plinko is the most popular game on the Price is Right and it is sure to be a hit at Bouquets. Drop your chip to see if you are the winner of a Como branded pint glass, wine glass or water bottle—or other Como swag. All players will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win a “Year of Experiences” package, including an overnight stay at Grand Casino, a Bell Museum membership, Saints tickets, tickets to Troupe Vertigo, Science Museum passes, skating at the John Rose Oval, “A Day at Como,” tickets to Crystal Cave, and more!

Tickets are $10 for a chip and all players are registered to win.


Cork Pull
(Located on the First Floor of the Visitor Center)

Try your chance at winning a $100 bottle of wine, a restaurant gift card, or a gift certificate to Garden Safari Gifts.

Pull a cork and receive whatever is in the corresponding gift bag. Everyone is a winner in this game, as each bag contains either a gift card, bottle of wine or another goodie of at least $10 in value!

Each pull is $20 and there are only 125 corks available. Due to Minnesota gaming rules, only cash or a check are accepted forms of payment.

Thanks to our Cork Pull donors: BrightWines, Friend of Como, Garden Safari Gifts.
**AUCTION ITEMS**

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<td>Meet and Greet Chloe the Sloth</td>
<td>Chloe the Sloth spends most of her day snoozing in the sun perched atop her tree in Tropical Encounters. Have you ever wondered how she gets to her destination and where she spends the night? If so, bid on this experience to meet Chloe, explore her bedroom, watch her morning routine—and get the scoop from a zookeeper about what makes this adorable Hoffmann’s Two-toed Sloth tick. For six people and must schedule before 10:00 a.m. Includes a sloth plush. Donated by: Como Park Zoo and Conservatory, Como Friends</td>
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<td><strong>101</strong></td>
<td>Meet Sparky and Friends</td>
<td>Como Zoo’s 7th Sparky the Sea Lion is known to her good friends as Subee, one of the most energetic residents of Como’s historic Aquatics Building. You and seven of your friends can meet up with Subee and her neighboring penguin pals for an unforgettable zookeeper led tour and see how she makes a splash every day. Learn about Como’s new habitat for Seals and Sea Lions, currently under construction. Donated by: Como Park Zoo and Conservatory, Como Friends</td>
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<td>Wine Tasting Soiree</td>
<td>Be educated by Dave Kuennen, owner and operator of the premier wine shop BrightWines, as you sample specially selected wines in the beautiful Sunken Garden in the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory. Dave is an expert in the field and a veteran educator at wine events—and coordinates and selects all the wines at Bouquets. This two-hour, after-hours party is for 12 people (Monday - Thursday). Wine, cheese, and light appetizers included! Donated by: BrightWines, Como Friends, Como Park Zoo and Conservatory</td>
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<td>Feed the Giraffes</td>
<td>Como’s herd of gentle giants love visitors, and your party of 10 can get up close and face-to-fur with these creatures as you feed them romaine lettuce, their favorite snack. Donated by: Como Park Zoo and Conservatory, Como Friends</td>
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<td>Big Cat Breakfast</td>
<td>Get to know Como’s big cats as you and 7 guests prepare their breakfast enrichment and learn about cats in the wild. Includes a breakfast for you—and a chat with a zookeeper. Donated by: Como Park Zoo and Conservatory, Como Friends</td>
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<td><strong>105</strong></td>
<td>Take Some of Como Home</td>
<td>Turn your home into a mini-conservatory with this collection of plants grown at Como for the Winter Flower Show. Donated by: Marjorie McNeely Conservatory</td>
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<td>Japanese Tea Ceremony</td>
<td>You and a guest will experience the tranquil and reflective ritual of an authentic Japanese Tea Ceremony in Como’s Tea House. The date is TBD in the summer 2020. Donated by: Como Park Zoo and Conservatory</td>
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107  **Primate Potluck** Nothing sounds more fun than spending the ‘prime’ morning hours with some primates! You and your 7 guests will enjoy breakfast and then create enrichment treats for Como’s primates. The experience includes a Q & A session with a zookeeper. Donated by: Como Park Zoo and Conservatory, Como Friends  
**Value: Priceless**

108  **Casey's Great Escape Original Artwork** Cute in any kids’ room, this set of framed watercolor illustrations come directly from “Casey’s Great Escape,” a Como Zoo story illustrated by St. Paul artist DC Ice. This collectible art includes a signed and personalized copy of the clever picture book, written by Como neighbor Nancy Shaw, who was a guest at Como Zoo the same day Casey took his famous walk-about on zoo grounds. Includes a signed copy of the book. Donated by: Nancy Shaw  
**Value: $420**

Wine, Dine and Do!

200  **Darkside Cocktails** Celebrate your dark side with everything to make a Darkside Cocktail (bourbon, cherry whiskey, chocolate bitters), Darth Vader glasses, Darth Vader ice cube molds, Death Star cutting board—and lightsaber ornaments. Donated by: Sherry and Charlie Lais  
**Value: $289**

201  **Cello and Harp Concert** Prominent Twin Cities musicians Laura Sewell and Andrea Stern will perform a 30 minute cello and harp program of light classical music in your home. Date to be mutually agreed upon between donor and winning bidder. Donated by: Dou S1  
**Value: $800**

202  **Castle Danger Brewery** Bring the North Shore home with Castle Danger Brewery beanies, tshirts, koozies, pint glasses, tulip glasses and two 6-packs of CDB Beer. Donated by: Castle Danger Brewery  
**Value: $95**

203  **Lake Pepin Wine Cruise** Enjoy a wine cruise for four on the “Swiss Miss 2,” a beautiful blue sloop, while taking in the splendor of Lake Pepin. Donated by: Karen Cooley-Kistler and Stephan Kistler  
**Value: $350**

204  **Wine Enthusiast: Collection of Wine** This collection from Adelsheim Vineyards includes a 2015 Caitlin’s Reserve Chardonnay, a 2016 Staking Claim Chardonnay, a 2015 Elizabeth’s Reserve Pinot Noir, a 2016 Breaking Ground Pinot Noir, a 2018 Bryan Creek Vineyard Pinot Blanc and a 2015 Brut Sparkling. Donated by: Matt Perry  
**Value: $280**

205  **Mankato Brewery** Show your love for this southern Minnesota brewery with a collection of swag, pint glasses and metal tin tacker sign. Donated by: Mankato Brewery  
**Value: $50**

206  **Nico’s Tacos on Como** Make it an upscale taco night with a $100 gift card to Nico’s Tacos on Como. Enjoy fresh salsas, crispy chips, flavorful tacos and quenching tequila drinks! Donated by: Nico’s Tacos on Como  
**Value: $100**

207  **May the Fourth Be With You** A perfect package for a Star Wars loving cook! Includes a special edition Storm Trooper 6qt. Instant Pot, Darth Vader apron, Star Wars cookie cutters and Star Wars spatulas. Comes with a Baby Yoda print and frame too! Donated by: Sherry and Charlie Lais  
**Value: $300**

208  **Northern Lights Rare Beer Fest** A craft beer experience unlike any other! Get two tickets to this beer lovers festival on March 28, 2020. Donated by: Northern Lights Rare Beer Fest  
**Value: $250**

209  **Sociable Cider Werks Swag Package** Love cider? This package is for you. Includes t-shirt, hat, glasses, two free crowlers, and a tour and tasting for two! Donated by: Sociable Cider Werks  
**Value: $90**

210  **Domace Vino** Wine donation. Donated by: Domace  
**Value: TBD**

211  **THR3 Jack Basket** THR3 Jack is a perfect outing for the pro or recreational golfer. Package comes with $300 for food, drink or golf, and practice golf balls, ball bucket and cap. Donated by: Sherry and Charlie Lais  
**Value: $340**

212  **Trump Hotel Collection Gift Card** A generous Como Friends supporter donated this $600 Trump Hotel Collection Gift Card for the Bouquets auction. Good for spa services, food and beverage or accommodations at any Trump Hotel. Donated by: Friend of Como  
**Value: $600**

213  **Wente Cabernet Sauvignon** This 3-liter double magnum of Wente Charles Wetmore Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from California is rated 91 points for being a bold but balanced wine. Donated by: Paustis  
**Value: $120**

214  **Utepils Package** Enjoy a visit to the Utepils tap room with a $25 Utepils gift card, growler and 4 beer tokens. Comes with cans of beer too! Donated by: Utepils  
**Value: $49**

215  **White Claw Basket** For the White Claw fan, this package includes a cooler, koozies and paper straws, along with some Black Cherry and Mango White Claw. Donated by: Sherry and Charlie Lais  
**Value: $75**

216  **Everyday Drinkers Collection of Wine** This collection from Adelsheim Vineyards includes a 2017 Willamette Valley Chardonnay, a 2017 Willamette Valley Pinot Gris, a 2018 Willamette Valley Rose of Pinot Noir, two bottles of Willamette Valley Pinot Noir, and a 2018 Bryan Creek Vineyard Pinot Blanc. Donated by: Matt Perry  
**Value: $165**

217  **Sweet Dreams!** If you are a sugar fanatic, your dreams have come true with this package. Includes a M&M blanket, $25 for Candyland, Oreo popcorn, bourbon butterscotch sauce, Swedish Fish, Twizzlers, KitKats, hot chocolate, peanut M&Ms—and more! Donated by: Friend of Como  
**Value: $131**

218  **Bellboy** Wine donation. Donated by: Bellboy  
**Value: TBD**
219 **James Sewell Ballet** The famed James Sewell Ballet is celebrating its 30th year with a retrospective encompassing the company’s early gems and newer hits from its beloved repertoire. Don’t miss the show with two tickets to attend one show, either April 3 or 4 at 7:30 pm at The Cowles Center. Donated by: James Sewell Ballet *Value: $75*

220 **Wine Afficionado: Collection of Wine** This very special collection from Adelsheim Vineyards includes a 2015 Temperance Hill Pinot Noir, a 2015 Winderlea Pinot Noir, a 2015 Bryant Creek Pinot Noir, a 2015 Boulder Bluff Pinot Noir, a 2015 Calkins Lane Pinot Noir and a 2015 Ribbon Springs Pinot Noir. Donated by: Matt Perry *Value: $510*

221 **Securian Financial Club Seats** Watch the Saints from the sought after Securian Financial club seats, which include complimentary food and beverage. Two tickets to a game in 2020 (date TBD) seats subject to availability. Donated by: St. Paul Saints Baseball Club *Value: $260*

222 **Lift Bridge Brewery** Go to Stillwater to visit Minnesota’s 6th largest craft brewery. Enjoy brews in the tap room with a $50 gift card and take home a growler with a fill certificate. Donated by: Lift Bridge Brewery *Value: $55*

223 **Tradition Wine and Spirits** Wine donation. Donated by: Tradition Wine and Spirits *Value: TBD*

224 **Breakfast!** Make the start to the day special with a festive breakfast! This package includes all you need with a Waffle Maker, Kodiak Cake Mix, Syrup, La Marca Prosecco and a $25 gift card to Kowalski’s Market. Donated by: Friend of Como, Kowalski’s Market, Nancy Koch *Value: $90*

225 **Winebow** Wine donation. Donated by: Winebow *Value: TBD*

226 **PubPass** Your passport to local brews awaits you and a friend! Enjoy a free pint of beer at 25 bars and breweries, with the perennially sold out PubPass. Passes expire on December 31, 2020. Donated by: PubPass *Value: $50*

227 **Amphora Imports** Wine donation. Donated by: Amphora Imports *Value: $50*

228 **Get Baking!** From mini-waffles to loaf and Bundt cakes, it is all included: a waffle maker, 2 loaf pans, Bundt pan, mixes, wine-themed spatulas and an expandable cooling rack. Donated by: Friend of Como *Value: $182*

229 **The Wine Company** Wine donation. Donated by: The Wine Company *Value: TBD*

230 **Baldamar Gift Card** Baldamar is the perfect restaurant for a special occasion or to treat yourself with this $100 gift card. Enjoy high-end steaks and swanky cocktails at this popular establishment. Donated by: Friend of Como *Value: $100*

231 **Bourget Imports** Wine donation. Donated by: Bourget Imports *Value: TBD*

232 **Beer Lover Package** Get a taste of the local craft beer scene with a $20 gift card to Urban Growler, a $20 gift card to Tin Whiskers, a $20 gift card to Lift Bridge, and a Bent Brewstillery growler and fill with two pint glasses. Donated by: Friend of Como *Value: $80*

233 **Dogajolo Rosso Toscan Sangiovese** This set includes a 3-liter double magnum of Dogajolo Rosso Toscan Sangiovese, which is fruity and intense and is paired with a bottle of Carol Shelton “Coquille Blanc” from this year’s Wine Spectator Top 100 list. Donated by: VinoCopia *Value: $110*

234 **Margron-Skoglund Wine Imports** Wine donation. Donated by: Margron-Skoglund Wine Imports *Value: TBD*

235 **Twins Home Opener** Catch the Twins’ home opener against the Oakland A’s on Thursday, April 2, 2020 at 3:10 p.m. with four tickets to the game at Target Field: two tickets Row 1, Section B, Seats 7 & 8, two tickets Row 2, Section B, Seats 7 & 8, all part of the Delta SKY360 Legend Club. Donated by: John A. Knutson & Co. *Value: $260*

236 **Surly Brewing Gift Card** Surly is known for its beer but its food is getting lots of buzz too. Go try both with this $60 gift card to the hippest destination brewery in Minnesota! Donated by: Friend of Como *Value: $60*

237 **Libation Project – TruVino Imports** Wine donation. Donated by: Libation Project – TruVino Imports *Value: TBD*

238 **Hand-Made Greeting Cards** You will be ready for any special occasion with this assortment of 15 hand-made greeting cards. Donated by: Wendy Armitage *Value: $30*

239 **New France Wine Co.** Wine donation. Donated by: New France Wine Co. *Value: TBD*

240 **A Day up North** Head to the North Shore and explore some iconic destinations. Start with a tour of the historic Glensheen Mansion followed by lunch at the New Scenic Café ($30 gift card) and end your day at the Split Rock Lighthouse. Donated by: New Scenic Café and Friend of Como *Value: $130*

241 **Lompian Wines** Wine donation. Donated by: Lompian Wines *Value: TBD*

242 **Language Class** Whether you’re proficient in Spanish or just beginning to learn, these two sessions of neutral Spanish diction coaching are for you. Practice using conversation instead of flash cards and textbooks. Donated by: Rico Paul Vallejos *Value: $500*

243 **Genesis® II E-315 Gas Grill** The new standard for gas grills, the Genesis® II E-315 is highly rated, with 3 powerful burners, iGrill 3 smart technology compatibility and a 10-year warranty. Donated by: Tom Frattallone and Sebastian Vannavong *Value: $800*
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**RESTAURANTS**
Annona Gourmet, Chowgirls Killer Catering, Eggroll Queen, Grand Casino, Herbie’s on the Park, Lancer Catering, The Naughty Greek, Nico’s Tacos on Como, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Porterhouse Steak and Seafood, Rival House, Sara’s Tipsy Pies, Stout’s Pub, Sweet Science Ice Cream, Urban Growler Brewing, and VIP Restaurants Augustine’s Bar and Bakery, Cara’s Irish Pubs, Red Cow, and Red Rabbit.

Thank you as well to all of tonight’s volunteers whose donation of time and talent makes this event possible.

Deep gratitude to Dave Kuennen of BrightWines and Dan Parker for sharing their expertise and passion for wine and beer to create this unique event.

We are grateful to the dedicated 2020 Bouquets Committee for their hard work planning this event.

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