

“DINNER AT THE WHITE HOUSE”

October 25, 2008

TO BENEFIT

The Charlotte Museum of History

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The All Star Teacher Initiative at East Mecklenburg High School

The White House Dinner is a unique partnership between two Charlotte non-profit organizations both focused on education. The Charlotte Museum of History educates us on the history of Charlotte and the surrounding area while East Mecklenburg High School educates and prepares students for the future. This special dinner will showcase the students of the award winning East Mecklenburg culinary program. The educational opportunity for the culinary students at East is immeasurable. The museum has historically partnered with lower and middle grade schools on their education programs and this will give the museum a CMS High School partner.

The evening will feature Chef Roland Mesnier who was the Executive Pastry Chef at the White House for 25 years working for five Presidents beginning with Jimmy Carter. Since his retirement he has been traveling across the country doing “White House Dinners” and “State Dinners”. Chef Mesnier has written several books and is well known for his pastries. In the twenty five years he was at the White House he served 250 state dinners and never repeated a dessert. In fact, he designed his desserts to thematically meet with the country that was represented at the dinner. “*All the Presidents Pastries-Twenty-Five Years in the White House*” is the story of his life.

“Dinner at the White House” is a black tie event featuring a 4 course meal with accompanying wine that will follow all the White House protocols. Chef Mesnier will oversee his recommended White House menu and will guide our chefs in the preparation of dessert. He is our official guide to “Dinner at The White House”. In between our courses Chef Mesnier will entertain the audience with anecdotes from his life in the White House with the First families.

This event will take place at the Charlotte Museum of History on October 25th at 6:00pm, with dinner under a White House infused tent! Our goal is to net \$200,000 which will be divided equally between the Charlotte Museum of History and the East Mecklenburg High School All Star Teacher Initiative. Ticket pricing will begin at \$500 per seat and seating is limited. With only ten days until our election, this should be great fun!



The Charlotte Museum of History

The Charlotte Museum of History, an educational organization, captures and shares the stories of the Charlotte region from settlement forward through exhibits and programs. The museum collects, preserves, researches, and interprets regional artifacts, including the oldest surviving house in Mecklenburg County, the 1774 Hezekiah Alexander Homesite.

East Mecklenburg High School's All Star Teacher Initiative (ASTI)

The mission of ASTI is to attract, reward, train and retain excellent teachers for every classroom of East Mecklenburg High School

