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Saint Louis Center to hold annual Fall Dinner Auction

Chelsea, Michigan, October 12 2021 On Saturday November 13, 2021, Saint Louis Center will be holding their annual Fall Dinner Auction to benefit the residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities who call the Center home.

An evening of great food, fellowship, and fundraising is planned for November 13, 2021, when Saint Louis Center's Fall Auction takes place at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chelsea, Michigan. Dinner will be provided by *A Moveable Feast* catering services and both a silent and live auction are planned. Joseph Merkel of *Merkel's Auction Specialists, Inc.* will provide his services for the live auction. Auction items include baskets with goodies from local business, art, wine, and larger items including a week's stay in Italy and trips to Mexico.

Tickets are on sale now through the St. Louis Center website or by calling (734)475-8430. <https://stlouiscenter.org/event/annual-dinner-auction-2021/>

St. Louis Center was founded in 1960 and is a residential community for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). Currently, 50 men and women from age 18 – 80 live on our 180-acre campus. They have a variety of conditions, including Down syndrome, fetal alcohol syndrome, metabolic disorders and autism. They attend school until the age of 26 and after graduation, go to work in the community, participate in occupational training programs, or, for those who are more physically or intellectually limited, participate in the Center's Day Program where they enjoy a wide variety of crafts, cultural programs and activities. St. Louis Center is dedicated to providing residents a full, active and meaningful life and the opportunity to be integrated into the local community. Residents participate in regular on- and off-campus activities, including adaptive movement, music therapy, pet therapy, social gatherings, art and music activities. They also spend time at home with their families. In non-pandemic times, they volunteer at local social service agencies and community events, and enjoy regular outings to the zoo, sporting events and parks. An on-campus recreation therapist facilitates ongoing activities like basketball, walking and other sports, to keep residents active and healthy.

St. Louis Center is a caring, residential, family living and learning environment providing for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of adults with developmental disabilities.