NYIWA 2016 Dinner & Wine Courses

First Course

Butternut Squash Bisque

Poached Lobster, Sage, Oil, Pepitas

Dunham Cellars 2013 Lewis Estate Vineyards Columbia Valley Riesling

(Wine Course Sponsored by Robert O. Morris, and John & Jackie Romano)

Second Course

Brown Butter Cauliflower Steak

Heirloom Romanesco, Romanesco Sprout Petals,
Cauliflower Almond Coulis, BLiS Elixer

Guido Marsella 2014 Greco di Tufo DOCG

(Wine Course Sponsored by Robert O. Morris, and John & Jackie Romano)

Third Course

Diver Scallops

Yellow Carrot Puree, Vadouvan Granola, Shaved Tri-Color Carrots, Mache

Gothic Wine 2013 Nevermore Willamette Valley Oregon Pinot Noir

(Wine Course Sponsored by Robert O. Morris, and John & Jackie Romano)

Intermezzo

Bergamot Sorbet

Fourth Course

Braised Beef Oxtail

Pomme Puree, Brussels Sprout Petals, Red Wine Reduction

Lucarelli 2011 "Folle" Old Vine Primitivo IGT

(Wine Course Sponsored by Robert O. Morris, and John & Jackie Romano)

Fifth Course

Double Milk Chocolate Crémeux

Beet Berry Merlot Reduction,

Beet Berry Foam, Chocolate Cookie Crumble, Chocolate Glass

Conati 2003 Recioto della Velpolacella DOC

(Wine Course Sponsored by Robert O. Morris, and John & Jackie Romano)

— food & wine expertly paired by —

Director of Culinary Operations Ron Ross, Turning Stone Resort • Casino,
Dinner Wine Consultant Dominic Frank

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Welcome New Auctioneer Ed Gold

Let's raise our glasses and welcome NYIWA's 2016 Auctioneer Ed Gold.

"Ed's obvious passion for living life to the fullest should set the stage for a lively auction this year," said Auction Director Tony Vennera. "His background is amazing."

Gold has led a life that reads like a movie script—so it's only fitting that he started off in Hollywood as a kid. His father was a producer and Gold grew up on studio back-lots, playing cowboys on the sets of Westerns. He followed two rules: if you can see the camera, it can see you; and when the director calls for quiet, you be quiet.

Surrounded by luminaries from such a young age, Gold quickly became accustomed to being near the limelight, if not squarely in it. Once he set out on his own, Gold took a path around the globe. He spent years as Cat Stevens' right-hand man, touring the world with the musician at the height of his popularity. Gold even had a stint as an auctioneer for an industrial auction company in Los Angeles.

It was inevitable that Gold would return to Hollywood, and he spent twenty years in the entertainment business. He started as a technician and then worked his way up to creating, writing, and producing projects for television and the big screen: ranging from CBS's award winning movie *Kids Like These* to Disney's *Operation Dumbo Drop*. In recognition of his work, Gold received the Easter Seals Communication Award, Media

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Access Award, Christopher Award, and Rehabilitation Congress of America Award.

Gold decided to take a break from "Hollywood" and moved to Northern California with his

wife, Joanne, and spent years raising their two sons

and staying active in charity organizations like the Muscular Dystrophy Association, City of Hope, and Big Brothers & Big Sisters of the Bay Area. It was at the Big Brothers & Big Sisters of the Bay Area auction in 2007 that he saw Auctioneer Greg Quiroga perform and thought, "There's something that I would love to do."

Gold cold-called Quiroga, got a sit-down interview, and

eventually was brought into the fold at Reynolds & Buckley, where

he initially mentored with David Reynolds and Quiroga. He spent nearly six years at R&B, until the untimely passing of Reynolds, who served as NYIWA's Auctioneer from 2009

to 2013.

Gold then co-founded Stellar Fundraising Auctions with Quiroga. He is a member of the National Auctioneers Association and a certified Benefit Auction Specialist.

Gold lives in Pacifica, CA with his wife Joanne, and their dog Satchel. Ed's sons, Turner and Kyle are both away at college—a condition Ed is still growing accustomed to.

Seeking Vacation and Travel Opportunities

Do you own a vacation home you would be willing to share as an auction lot to support people with disabilities?

The NYIWA team is putting together travel packages and is looking for additional trip and travel opportunities. In the past, these have included travel to Bali, the

Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Napa and Sonoma Valleys in CA, Cortona, Italy, Kissimmee, FL among others.

Businesses and individuals have offered their private condos,

homes, and hotel stays around the U.S. and world.

NYIWA also accepts dining packages, theater and concert

tickets, fine lifestyle items, and more.

To support the Herkimer ARC's mission to enrich lives and empower people within our community, please contact

Auction Director Tony Vennera at phone: (315) 574-7355 or email: tvennera@nyiwa.com. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and donations are tax deductible as allowed by law.

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Your generosity will benefit the Herkimer ARC, a nonprofit agency that enables people with disabilities and others in our community to achieve full potential and to live enriched lives.

DINNER PACKAGE Wine Tasting, Silent and Live Auctions & Five-Course Dinner

\$195 per person
Five-course Gourmet Dinner
with select wines & Live Auction;
Wine Tasting with fine
hors d'oeuvres & Silent Auction

WINE TASTING PACKAGE ONLY Tasting & Silent Auction

\$60 per person

Sample wines—accompanied by fine hors d'oeuvres and music by Pianist Daniel Evans. Wine and fine lifestyle items available for silent bidding.

Saturday Evening November 5, 2016

Wine Tasting & Silent Auction: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. 5-Course Dinner & Live Auction: 7:p.m.

This charitable celebration is hosted at the award-winning Turning Stone Resort • Casino, nestled in the heart of the scenic Mohawk Valley.

Event reservations are available by calling Auction Director Tony Vennera - 315-574-7355*

*Event reservations can only be secured with payment in advance. Cancellations/refunds will only be honored until 4 p.m., Friday, October 28t. After that date, refunds will not be honored.

Reserve Your Room Now!

The Turning Stone Resort • Casino will guarantee the NYIWA room discount until Tuesday, October 4, 2016.

All room reservations must be made through the Turning Stone • Resort Casino

Call 1-800-771-7711 and mention the New York International Wine Auction.*

*You cannot receive the NYIWA room discount if you register online.

Supporting Recreation for All Abilities

Thanks in part to your generous support of the FUND-A-NEED portion at previous auctions, the Herkimer ARC and its partner, the Village of Herkimer, broke ground for the Mohawk Valley Regional Accessible Recreation Park Project on May 13.

Dignitaries attending included individuals from the Village of Herkimer, state and local government representatives, park committees members, donors, and others.

The \$1 million-plus project will feature bocce courts, play areas for specific age groups, a bandstand, fitness trail and stations, basketball court, a softball field, family pavilion, concession stand, and more.

"This has been an amazing project to create a regional asset," said Herkimer ARC President/CEO Kevin Crosley. "We are so excited to build a unique park that can be used by groups and people of all abilities from local areas to surrounding counties. The young, our elderly, organizations, and families—no one should be limited in enjoying recreation."

Crosley explained that the agency will continue fund raising to assist with additional building costs to finish the aesthetics of the park such as landscaping, buying additional equipment, and maintenance. The goal is to place donations in an endowment fund to pay for maintaining the park for generations to come. He also said there are still opportunities for naming specific recreation areas, including the park's name.

Crosley commented that collectively additions such as adaptive equipment encompassing basketball hoops that can lower, special field surfaces, a lift in the pool for wheelchairs will make the regional project a unique park in New York state.

"The regional accessible recreation park will welcome groups and families, where every member can participate in recreational activities. The vision is that this park will become not just a place to visit, but a destination." Crosley said.

For more information regarding the park or to make a donation, please contact Development Director Robert Baber at (315) 574-7353.



Herkimer ARC
President/CEO
Kevin Crosley,
second from left,
breaks ground
with the Mohawk
Valley Region
Accessible Park
Project Campaign
Co-Chairs,
from left, Chip
Hummel, George
Aney, and Martin
Babinec.