

School arts fundraiser continues long tradition

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■ Proceeds from 'Elegant Affaire' will benefit Fremont's 23,000 students

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NEWARK — Nearly two decades ago, local schools started to see an economic pinch that was inhibiting their ability to introduce students to performing arts.

"We asked what the problem was and they said, 'We can't afford to have assemblies,'" said Shirley Sisk, executive director of the Tri-Cities League of Volunteers.

And so the nonprofit organization stepped up, and for the past 18 years LOV has held an annual fundraising event called "An El-

egant Affaire."

The 19th such event is set to take place Friday.

Community members and leaders are serving as chefs, and volunteers dressed in tuxedos will be servers for the fundraiser, which will begin at 6 p.m. at the Newark Pavilion. The event also will include live and silent auctions.

Tickets cost \$75 each with the proceeds going to the League of Volunteer's "Arts in Schools Program," which served more than 23,000 students in Fremont, Newark and Union City last year.

Newark Unified School District Superintendent Kevin Harrigan, Alameda County Board of Education member Eileen McDonald and Ohlone College Trustee Garrett

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Yee are among the chefs for the event.

With a theme of "Around The World," the menu boasts a spinach and cheese empanada, an Italian spinach and ricotta lasagna, a Greek salad, a pork loin entree and a melted chocolate and mousse

desert. Vegetarian options will be available.

Attendees will also be served champagne and wine, in addition to other beverages.

For more information or to make a reservation, visit www.lov.org, or call 510-793-5683.

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