



2009 National Youth Alliance Silent Auction

Every year, since the 16th Annual Huntington's Disease Society of America's [HDSA] Convention in San Diego June 2000, the HDSA National Youth Alliance [NYA] has held a Silent Auction immediately before the Awards Banquet on Saturday night. The primary purpose of this auction is for the NYA to raise funds for HD Research. Monies collected from the NYA activities at the HDSA convention is given a two-for-one match by the Generation 2000 matching fund. Two-thirds of that money goes towards HDSA's research projects and one-third goes to help support the NYA Annual Convention Scholarship Fund. The NYA Convention Scholarship is open to any member of the NYA who, due to financial hardship, needs support attending a HDSA National Convention.

The Countdown - Today February 5, 2009

As everyone probably knows by now, the HDSA's 24th National Convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency Phoenix in Phoenix, Arizona. That is less than *18 weeks* away!

Each year the NYA Silent Auction has been huge success! However, none of this would be possible without the generous support from our HD families, HD Chapters & Support Groups, the HD Centers of Excellence's, our family & friends as well as the dedication and hard work of all the NYA members!

However, the NYA needs your help!

Over the next few months the members of the HDSA National Youth Alliance will be using a letter from HDSA to collect items for the 2009 Silent Auction. As family or friends, you can also help! Without the many wonderful items donated by people such as you, the Silent Auction would not have been the success it has been!

In the past, people have brought autographed sports memorabilia from major teams in their state, made baskets filled with items representing their state, provided gift certificates to major department stores and/or restaurants, sent in hand-made quilts and so many other beautiful items. And, don't forget small toys, puzzles, stuffed animals, etc. for the children's table too!

Supporting the HDSA NYA 2009 Silent Auction is something you can do together as a family! Sometimes for under \$10.00 or \$20.00 you'll find that you can put together an item to donate for the NYA Silent auction and have fun with your family or friends making it! Homemade items have gone over really well at past NYA auctions!

Won't you please see what items you may have that you can donate to the 2009 NYA Silent Auction? Maybe it's time to clean out the attic for treasures you no longer use and bring them with you the national convention!

NYA's 2009 Silent Auction Committee Chairperson

If you think you can help in other ways, please contact me, Staci Nicholas. I am the 2009 NYA Silent Auction Committee Chairperson and can be reached by email: spacystace9@yahoo.com

NYA's Silent Auction Website

Please visit the NYA's 2009 Silent Auction link on HDSA's website for any updates to this notice:
<http://www.hdsa.org/nyaauction>

Mailing Donated Items for the 2008 NYA Silent Auction:

If, for any reason, you are unable to personally attend the HDSA national convention, you can still help by mailing donated items. Mailed items should be put in the mail to be **received no later than May 28, 2009** and be sent to:

HDSA
505 Eighth Avenue, Suite 902
New York, NY 10018
Attention: Mynelly Perez
Mark for: 2009 NYA Silent Auction

If you have any questions, Mynelly can be contacted by calling HDSA 1-800-345-4372 Extension 214 or by email: mperez@hdsa.org.

HDSA's NYA 2009 Silent Auction Letter

Barbara T. Boyle, Executive Director/CEO of the Huntington's Disease Society of America will be writing a letter that introduces NYA members who will be soliciting donations from local merchants. That letter, along with the 2009 NYA Silent Auction flyer, will be available from the NYA's 2009 Silent Auction webpage in the near future. These can be used by any NYA member to provide to any organization they will be visiting to collect items. Remember, any young person, ages 9 through 29, can use this letter and help!

HDSA's 24th Annual National Convention

For information on the HDSA 24th annual convention, and how to register to attend, please visit HDSA's website www.hdsa.org or contact Robert Coffey at HDSA 1-800-345-4372 Extension 210 or via email coffeyr@hdsa.org

Won't you consider **sharing this message** with your family & friends to ask if they can help out the 2009 Huntington's Disease National Youth Alliance Silent Auction?

Thank you!

Staci Nicholas

2009 NYA Silent Auction Chairperson

Please Support the Huntington's Disease Society of America's
Annual National Youth Alliance Silent
June 6, 2009 ~ Phoenix, Arizona



This flyer is to introduce myself. My name is

And I am from:

I am a member of the Huntington's Disease Society of America's [HDSA] National Youth Alliance which is an association for any young person, ages 9 through 29, who is living with Huntington's Disease. This could be a young person with HD, someone at-risk, someone who has tested negative, or someone who has a family member or friend with HD.

We are scattered throughout the United States and come together once a year at HDSA's National Convention. The National Youth Alliance has members in over 33 states.

Huntington's Disease (HD) is a devastating, degenerative brain disorder for which there is, at present, no effective treatment or cure. Every child of a parent with HD has a 50% chance of inheriting this disease.

Each year members of the NYA collect donated items for our annual Silent Auction. Monies collected from this auction are given to Huntington's Disease Research.

To learn more about the NYA, please visit our website, <http://www.hdsa.org/nya>

Please, help us find a CURE!

The HDSA's 24th Annual Convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency Phoenix in Phoenix, Arizona on June 5-7th, 2009. On June 4th, the HDSA is hosting the 2nd Annual National Youth Alliance Day, which I hope to attend.

Attached is a letter from Barbara Boyle, National Executive Director/CEO of the HDSA, telling you more about the NYA. The HDSA is a 501 [c] non-profit organization. You can visit their website, www.hdsa.org, to learn more about Huntington's Disease.

You can help by donating as many items as possible to be auctioned by the NYA! As a member of the NYA I will be bringing your donation with me to the convention.

If you are unable to provide an item today, you may mail a donated item to:

HDSA
505 Eighth Avenue, Suite 902
New York, NY 10018
Attention: Mynelly Perez
Mark for: 2009 NYA Silent Auction

Mailed items should be received **no later than May 29, 2009.**

Thank You!

Huntington's Disease Society of America Auction Item Commitment Form

Item Name: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>	Value: <input style="width: 90%;" type="text"/>
Item Description: (BASIS FOR PROGRAM; include quantity, size, brand, model, color)	
Item Restriction: (APPEARS IN PROGRAM & ON CERTIFICATE; list limits on dates, expirations, time, includes # of people, exchanges.)	

Exact Donor Listing: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	Contact Name: <input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>		
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	E-mail:	Fax:	

Item Location:
<input type="checkbox"/> Donor will mail item/certificate to HDSA office <input type="checkbox"/> Item/certificate needs to be picked up

Donor's Signature: _____	Solicitor's Signature: _____
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This donation becomes the property of HDSA and is to be offered for sale at an auction, the proceeds of which go to HDSA. In the event that the item(s) is not sold, HDSA in its sole discretion may return or keep the item(s) for a sale at a later time. If you have any questions please contact Mynelly Perez at 1-800-345-HDSA, ext. 214 or mperez@hdsa.org. **Please return Commitment Form/item(s) to HDSA:**

Attn: Mynelly Perez/NYA
505 Eighth Avenue, Suite 902
New York, NY 10018
Fax- 212-239-3430
Thank you for your tax-deductible gift.

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February 2009

To Whom It May Concern:

The Individual providing you with this letter is a member of the Huntington's Disease Society of America's National Youth Alliance (NYA).

The NYA is sponsoring a silent auction at the 24th annual HDSA Convention in Phoenix, Arizona June 5-7, 2009. We are anticipating over 750 attendees at the Convention and the silent auction will take place during our Convention Gala. The money raised will be invested, on behalf of the NYA, in Huntington's Disease Research.

Huntington's Disease is an inherited disorder resulting in the slow irreversible loss of both mental and physical capacity. There are 30,000 people in the United States currently diagnosed with HD, and each of their siblings and children have a 50% chance of developing it. There is no treatment nor is there a cure. HD is a "family disease" inherited from parent to parent. It profoundly affects the entire family emotionally, socially and financially. HD, like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, takes a person away from their loved ones long before they die.

On behalf of the NYA member giving you this letter, I sincerely hope that you will donate a gift that will be placed in our silent auction in June. We ask you to complete the attached form and to return it to the NYA member. We will send you a confirmation letter.

Thank you for considering our request to support the National Youth Alliance and our silent auction at the 2009 HDSA Convention.

Sincerely,



Barbara T. Boyle
National Executive Director/CEO

EIN#13-3349872

National Youth Alliance Member: _____
State Representing: _____

**NYA Membership from
the following states**

Alaska
Arizona
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Delaware
Florida
Illinois
Indiana
Kansas
Louisiana
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Missouri
Montana
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