

“Paradise in Tahiti”

A Trip of a Lifetime...

‘Ia ora na!

Greetings to our wonderful
Riviera Hall Families
And Friends!

French Polynesia, more commonly known as "Tahiti", is located in the South Pacific approximately 8 hours by plane from the city of Los Angeles.

On Saturday, May 14th however, it will be a mere 4.2 miles east of our *little School by the Sea*.

Please join us at 6PM for our 12th Annual Spring Gala and Auction at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center. This venue will be decorated by the well-known production company 15/40 Productions. Almost every red-carpet premiere, including “Soul Surfer”, has been decorated by them. They are preparing to make our event our most memorable one yet!

Tickets are on sale now and over half of them have been sold in the first week! RHLS Families should have received the invite; turn those in now at \$80/person and you won't regret it!



Tahiti primarily consists of five main island groups, called archipelagos:

Society Islands

- [Tahiti](#)
- [Moorea](#)
- [Bora Bora](#)
- [Raiatea & Taha'a](#)

Tuamotu Islands

- [Rangiroa](#)
- [Manihi](#)
- [Tikehau](#)
- [Fakarava](#)

The Marquesas Islands

The Gambier Islands

The Austral Islands

Visit our Online Auction website www.biddingforgood.com/RHLSauction2011

***“No” is Taboo!
Gotta Have It!***



Are you ready for this?

***Visit our Online Auction Website
www.biddingforgood.com/rhlsauction2011***

***Many items will be auctioned online this year.
That means YOU computer folks will be able to
out-bid those guys who hover over the bid-sheet
with their “personal” pens, ready to up your bid
another 10 bucks!***

***Sure, we all know it is for a good cause,
right? But we like to WIN!!!***

***Check it out!
NOW!***

***To view ALL of the items, including what your
teacher is donating, please register at***

www.biddingforgood.com/auction/user/Register.action

**What do you do in case of a
Silent Auction
Question or Emergency?!?**

Contact Janice Demarti

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Did you know? Taboo names - *pi'i*

In many parts of Polynesia the name of an important leader was (and sometimes still is) considered sacred (*tapu*) and was therefore accorded appropriate respect (*mana*). In order to avoid offense, all words resembling such a name were suppressed and replaced by another term of related meaning until the personage died. If, however, the leader should happen to live to a very great age this temporary substitution could become permanent.

Of course then we should all agree that in the spirit of the Tahitian Culture, and to avoid any **Taboo**, our wonderful friends and families of RHLS simply are not allowed to say “No” in honor of our wonderful Principal Mrs. Nollan!

This year our fundraising will go directly towards additional Teacher Resources and Classroom Improvements:

- iPad 2's for each teacher !
- iPad 2 sets for a classroom to use
 - children in the younger grades will watch the solar system come to life!
 - middle school will dissect animals without any clean-up involved!
- Newly air-conditioned rooms will improve the children's work and study environment!
- Making good better: Adding auxiliary items for all of the Smart Boards currently in the classrooms!

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Key Links: <http://www.tahiti-tourisme.com/> and <http://www.answers.com/topic/tahitian-language>