

## Denim & Diamonds Cowboy Coast—May 7, 2011

The Foundation For Lovejoy Schools held its fifth annual Denim & Diamonds Gala and Auction May 7<sup>th</sup> at Southfork Ranch. The theme for this year was Cowboy Coast. The room was decorated in a coastal motif with plenty of sea shells and grass table skirts. The crowd of 730 guests enjoyed a delicious



dinner, a silent and live auction, and entertainment by Max Stalling. The “hot” live auction item this year was organized by the LISD Superintendent’s Leadership Council. It was a party for 100 people complete with a catered barbeque dinner from Eddie Dean and

entertainment by Max Stalling. Other items in the live auction included a trip to San Diego with an excursion aboard the America’s Cup yacht and a trip to New York City with tickets to the U.S. Open Tennis finals. After the live auction, the



winners of the Learning at Lovejoy Raffle were drawn. Carmen Constanza was the first lucky winner and chose the golf cart and the Yamaha Waverunner went to Gene Pryor. The evening was a huge success raising \$175,000. The funds will be used to enhance the education of the students of LISD and provide professional development for the district’s teachers and staff.

Thank you to the Denim & Diamonds presenting sponsor Pogue Construction. Other sponsors were Traxxas, The Don Goodrich Family, PBK Architects, Pepsi, Andrews Distributing, Rick’s Chophouse, Mario Sinacola & Sons Excavating, M & A Technology, The Jim Rousey Family in honor of Grace Church, APC, The Allen Americans, WR Starkey Mortgage, Guident Retirement, The Willie Wu Family in honor of P.Q.D. International, and Liberty Mutual.



Thank you also to all those who attended and participated in the live, silent, and online auctions. And last but not least a big thank you goes to our awesome volunteers who put in many hours to make sure Denim & Diamonds is a fun way to celebrate living in the Lovejoy community and give to enhance the education of all of our children.