

WINES OF THE WORLD A SMASHING SUCCESS

Wines of the World, a wine tasting and silent auction event sponsored by The Oconee Cellar at Cuscowilla, raised more than \$15,500 for Redeemer Episcopal Academy.

Event co-chairs Dana O'Neil and Matt Garafalo were pleased with the results.

“The evening of August 2nd was fantastic for everyone involved with this event. We raised a lot of money for an outstanding cause and had a great time in the process,” said O'Neil.

More than 150 guests came from all areas of the community and sampled more than 75 wines while enjoying hot hors d'oeuvres and bidding on unique auction items. Especially notable items included an American flag flown in the face of the enemy in Afghanistan donated by Kris Marshall who served there, a private wine tasting for 10 donated by The Oconee Cellar, a guided kayak trip for four donated by Sundance Outfitters, hand crafted jewelry by local jewelry artist Rai Pullin, a photo session by Jamilyn Fussell, and vacation properties donated by Redeemer parents Thom and Dara Morgan and David and Patti Bradley.

Because Cuscowilla graciously donated their Conference Center, all proceeds from the event directly benefitted the students at Redeemer Episcopal Academy. The funds will be used to help the new school continue the standard-setting education it established in its first year.