

Silent auction nets \$3,000 for aquatic center

A "Splash of Italian" fund-raising buffet and silent auction raised \$3,000 which will benefit the new family aquatic center planned in Grinnell.

More than 150 supporters packed the Depot Crossing Restaurant Sunday, July 13, to bid on goods and services generously donated by Grinnell merchants. Ticket sales to the event also boosted proceeds for the fund-raising effort.

"The wide range of merchandise and services donated by area businesses, plus a wonderful selection of Italian cuisine made this event a big success," said Gina Finch, a "Splash" committee member who spearheaded the event. "The aquatic center committee is very appreciative of the support shown by area businesses."