



Table Talk

the Play with Your Food newsletter

January 2025

How to prepare for the PwYF Online Auction

The third annual PwYF Auction is scheduled to take place on Facebook from February 28 to March 6. The Auction raised over \$12,000 in 2024, and it is an easy way for teams to contribute to fundraising (not to mention to acquire new games to play at the 24-Hour Event!)

Teams should already be thinking about how they could contribute to the Auction. Here are some tips and guidelines for you as you consider how you can participate in this year's Auction.

- Join the [PwYF Auction Facebook Group](#) for updates. You can invite anyone to join this group so they will know when the auction is live.
- Check your closets and shelves for games and other items that are in good condition. Review the [PwYF Facebook Auction Item Guidelines](#) if you have any questions about what can be donated.
- Contact local businesses or creators for donations. Remember to check the [list of PwYF sponsors](#) and to make sure that all sponsors are [submitted to the Sponsorship Team](#) for recognition.
- Start [submitting items for the Auction](#) - review the Guidelines above for instructions.

Upcoming Events

Paint Night
Jan. 25

Wingspan Tournament
Jan. 25

Crok'n'Ale Winter 2025
Jan. 30

Triple Crown
Feb. 6

PwYF Online Auction
Feb. 28 - March 6

PwYF teams that have doubled their fundraising minimum of \$100 per team member will be eligible for prize draws on the third Tuesday of January, February, and March at Chewsday Challenge. (Teams do not have to be in attendance at CC to win.)

Raffle aims to raise \$7500 for PwYF

Play with Your Food is hosting a **raffle** for the first time! Luxe BBQ has donated a [Broil King 490 Pro BBQ](#) that will be raffled off at the 24-Hour Event on March 22, 2025 (*attendance not needed to win*).

Over the next two months, teams are encouraged to sell as many raffle tickets as possible. All tickets sold by each team will be credited to them as fundraising, which will then count toward totals for prizes at the 24-Hour Event.

There are 1500 tickets to sell at \$5 per ticket, so this is a great opportunity for PwYF to raise \$7500 for Carmichael Outreach over the next two months.

There are no tax receipts given or offered for this fundraiser (as per SLGA rules). Contact [Richard Sandstra](#) to get tickets to sell!

**\$1850
value!**



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New Year, New Games: A Guide to Making Gamer Goals

The new year presents a great opportunity for gamers to make resolutions and set goals for the next twelve months. Here are some tips on making SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time-based) goals to help you expand and enjoy your gaming in 2025!

- **Focus on the games you already have in your collection** (or that you know are owned by your friends). It's always easier to play the games you already own - especially if you already know how to play them - than to have to buy new ones (though there *might* be a few games available in the Auction...)
- **Share your goals with your gaming community.** The [PwYF Community page](#) is a great place to start. After all, you never know when another gamer will be able help you achieve your goals!
- **Break your goals down into smaller segments to make them more manageable.** For example, instead of "play 25 new games this year", you could think, "play one new game every two weeks".
- **Don't be intimidated by the goals that other gamers are setting.** Maybe your goal is to play that one specific game you have been trying to get to the table, while others have extensive lists of games they want to play. Focus on your own gaming goals and how you can help others meet their goals!
- **Don't make too many goals or goals that are too big.** It's easy to get carried away and try to do everything - especially when it's so much fun. Make goals that fit your lifestyle and playstyle, and try to improve just a bit each year; you'll be amazed at how much your goals will grow year over year!

Meeples in your Neighbourhood

This section profiles members of the PwYF community. Learn more at [community.pwyf.ca](#).

Members of the PwYF Leadership Team share some of their gaming goals for 2025!



Derek T.
Play 25 new trick-taking games, including Bridge, Euchre, Hearts, Spades, and Whist.

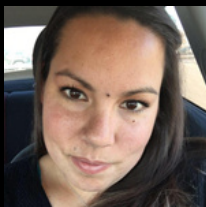


Jen R.
Play all the games on my "Shelf of Shame" (the unplayed games I own).

Henrik S.
Play 365 games. Attend 40 ChewsDay Challenges. Beat *Power to the Meeple* [Matt's team] in fundraising amount.



Chelsea L.
Play 365 games this year (after falling 8 short of that goal in 2024).



Kathy L.
Make Matt cry at the gaming table at least once a month. Play more Xia.



Matt R.
Work on my "SLAGF" percentages (Shame / Lane / Aim / Game / Fame).

Richard S.
...to be the most feared pirate on the sea and fastest driver on the track!



Carmen O.
Play 50+ games from my "shelf of opportunity".



Jason V.
Reduce my shelf of shame by 75%.



Carlos R.
Play fun games with amazing people!



Jeff H.
To finish the 4 campaign games we started in 2024.

Play with Your Food: by the numbers (as of Jan. 15, 2025)

23 teams
105 participants

\$37,290 raised
62.15% of campaign goal

125 people attended 3 ChewsDay Challenges in December