

# West Aurora artists paint chairs for charity, join national art honor society

Chairs hand-painted by West Aurora High School art students were auctioned Friday to benefit the Malala Fund.

Jenna Goeringer, art teacher, said the fund supports education programs for girls in foreign countries.

According to Goeringer, the auction culminated work since November by student artists at school and at their homes. The auction took place at the Pierce History Center in Aurora during the city's First Fridays celebration.

"This is the first year we have done this type of event and we are looking forward to trying it again," Goeringer said.

In March, West student potters created take-home ceramic bowls for a first Empty Bowls pasta dinner at the school. The event benefited Hesus House homeless shelter in Aurora.

**PHOTO:** Chairs painted by West Aurora High School art students were auctioned Friday to benefit the Malala Fund which supports education for girls in foreign countries. Jenna Goeringer, art teacher, said students hand-painted nine different chairs in Chairs for Change, a first-ever fundraiser. The auction was held at Aurora's Pierce History Center during the city's April First Fridays celebration. (Al Benson photo)

