





ICOAYS AGENDA



<u>Understand the</u> <u>Importance of Events</u>



5 Event Planning Tips:

- How to Build aSuccessful Committee
- How to Build a Brand
- How to Stretch Every Dollar
- How to Develop a
 Timeline
- How to Secure Loyal
 Sponsors/Donors







CASE STUDY

WHY EVENTS ARE SO IMPORTANT



HOW TO BUILD A BRAND FOR YOUR EVENT





Do your research- what does your community want?



Remain consistent- same time of year



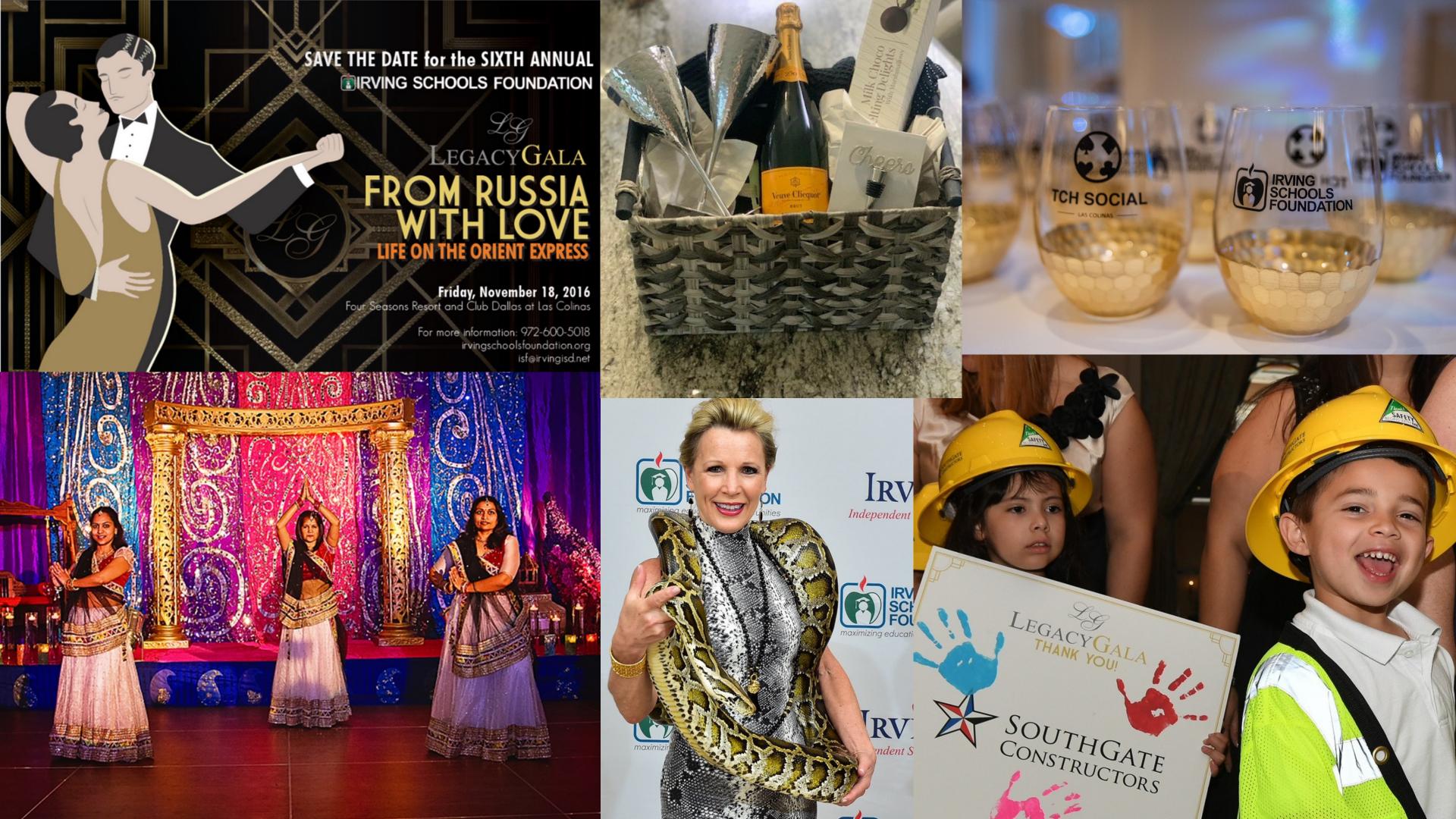
Build the momentum- social media, preparties, sneak peeks



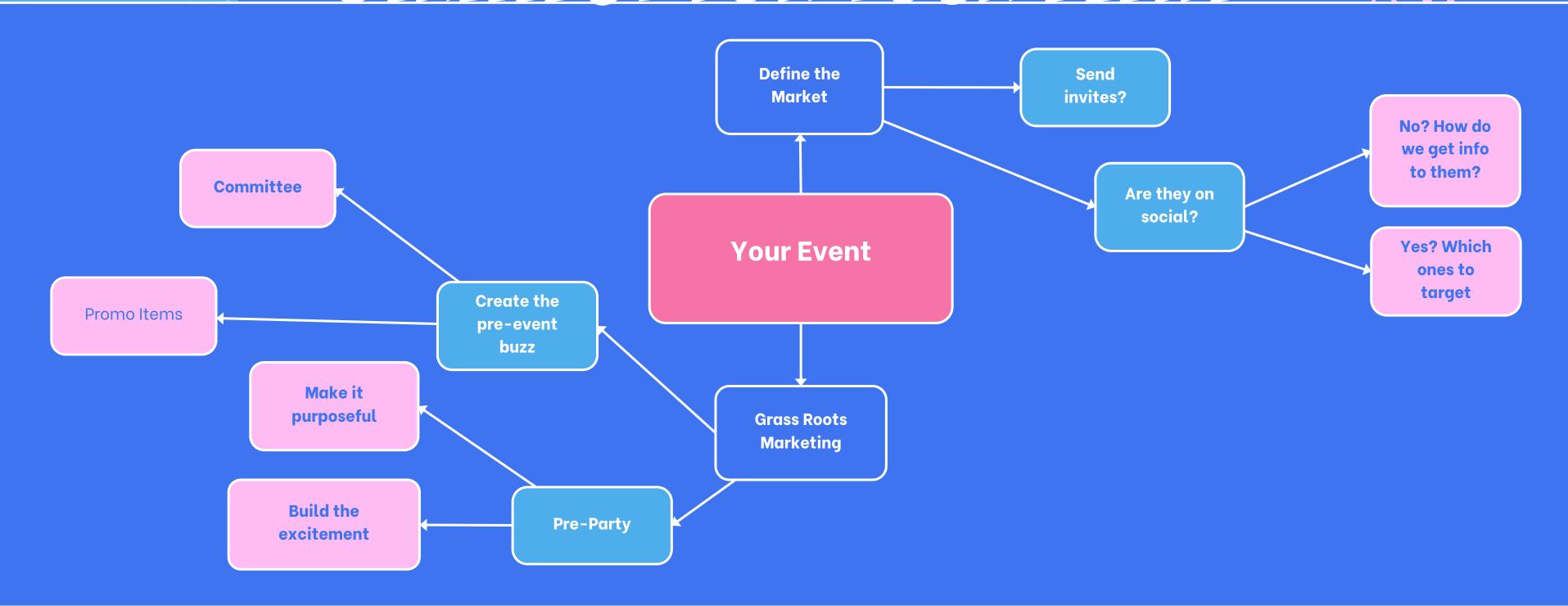
Solicit supporters/attendees/committee members that will talk it up



Create a catchy logo and theme- make it memorable



TOOLS TO HELP YOU CRAFT A MARKETING STRATEGY FOR YOUR EVENT



DEUELOPING A SOLID BUDGET



Get quotes
early and
always over
estimate costs

Over-project expenses and under-project revenue

ASK for in-kind donations and track them

Budget for staff time- consider outsourcing

"Back into" your revenue: how many tables do you need to sell?

If at first you don't succeed...try try again. Within reason...





TOOLS TO HELP YOU RAISE MORE FUNDS

Live Auction

Silent Auction

Online Auction

Raffles

Celebrity Servers

Call from the Heart

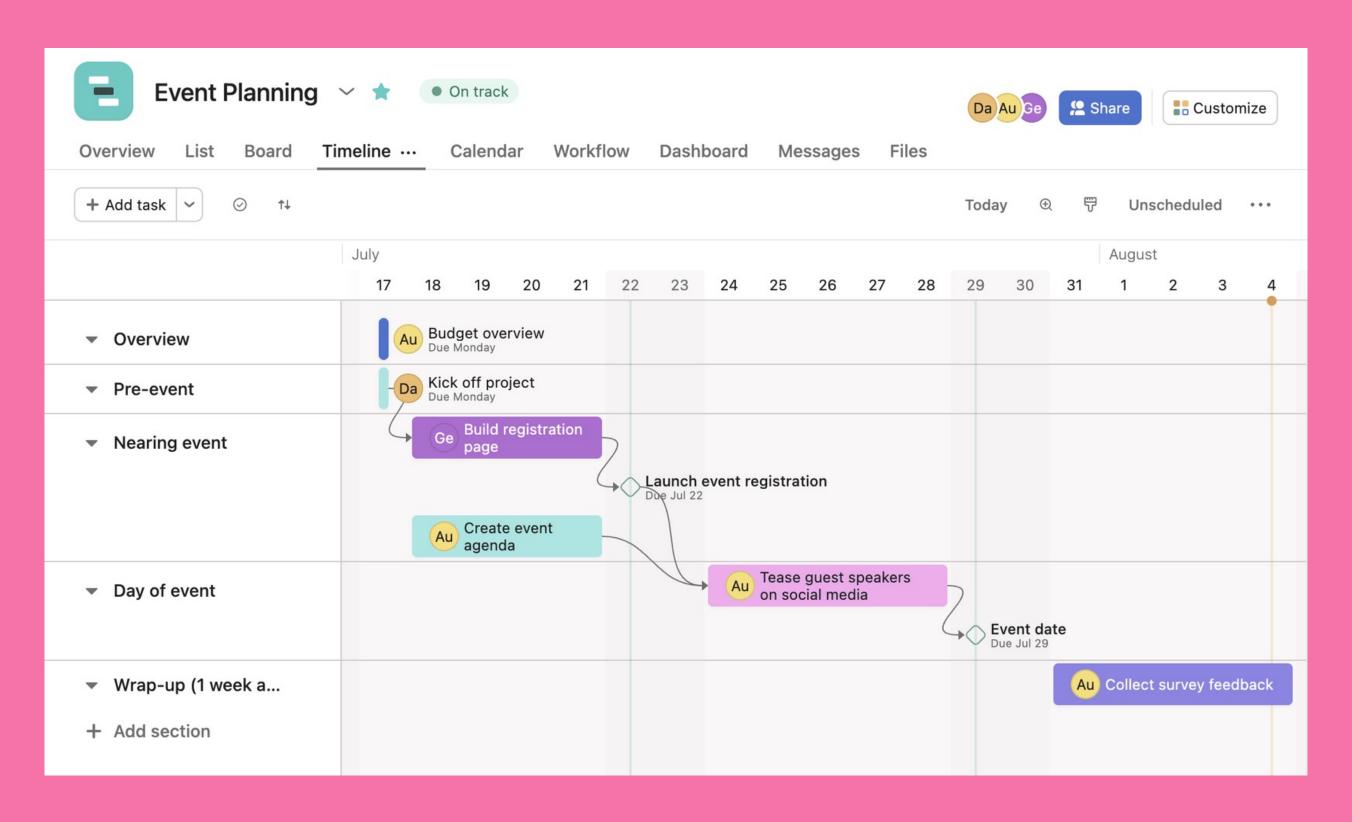
Ads in your program

Games: casino, \$100 draw, heads or tails

DEVELOPING YOUR TIMELINE

Event Checklist	Point Person	Status
Select Venue	Adriana	•••
Develop a budget	Beth	
Secure AV and Entertainment	Chad	•••
Create Marketing Pieces	Crystal	
Solicit Sponsors	Christina	

TOOLS TO HELP YOU WITH YOUR TIMELINE



TOOLS TO HELP YOU ATTRACT SPONSORS





Generate sales and leads



Build relationships



Reward staff members with a non-work event



Align with a great cause



Build their brand awareness- sponsors love exclusivity!

TOOLS TO HELP YOU ATTRACT SPONSORS





Hold a brainstorming session



Determine who is best to make the ask



Develop the marketing materials- create sponsorship levels



Schedule "call sessions" to follow up



Make your pitch short and to the point

TOOLS TO HELP YOU ATTRACT SPONSORS





Follow up after you make your pitch



Cultivate the relationship via communication before, during and after



event

Always give your sponsors the publicity you promised



Provide a follow up



summary/photos/impact report



Don't go overboard on sponsor gifts





THANK YOU!

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