

Live Auction

- 1 **MIDLIFE CRISIS FOR THE DAY—'70'S STYLE** The winning bidder will be able to use a 1975 Porsche 914 Sunflower yellow two-seater with Targa top and 5 speeds, period correct '70's sunglasses, Afro wig and fake mustache, (real tube tops available upon request) all stored in the glove compartment or trunk. Winner required to bring his or her own elephant bell bottoms. Available one sunny, summer day. Relive the '70's in style! Mutually agreed upon date and time in late summer.
- 2 **TWO CORDS OF SEASONED FIREWOOD CUT, SPLIT, AND DELIVERED** Do you need wood for a fireplace or a wood-burning stove? Look no more! Bid on this and get two cords of firewood cut, cured, split, and delivered.
- 3 **DINNER AND LIVE THEATER: WHAT COULD BE BETTER?** Theater performances are a universal cultural phenomenon and Providence's Trinity Rep (founded in 1965) is one of the finest repertory theaters in the country. If you win this item, you and a guest will be our guests at a Trinity Rep performance of your choice for the 2018–19 Season. (The Christmas Carol is one of your choices.) Prior to the show, you'll dine at The Birch Restaurant, a small-scale New American eatery that features small plates. Food choices are seasonal and regionally sourced. Bon Appetit included Birch in its list of the Fifty Best New Restaurants in the US. After the show, you will have a chance to meet with a few of the actors. Date TBA.
- 4 **BEAUTIFUL HANDCRAFTED 44 IN. SQUARE QUILTED WALL HANGING** Entitled "Accidentally on Purple," the batik fabrics of light and dark teals against light and dark purples create a stunning pattern of circles. This quilt will make a beautiful wall hanging or could even be used as a small lap quilt. Lovingly pieced and quilted by Carol MacFarlane.
- 5 **JOHNS RIVER OYSTERS—THREE DOZEN** Three dozen Johns River Oysters from Maine, harvested by Laura Silk's brother and shipped same day to your house any time during the year. They are the best oysters we have ever tasted—sweet and salty—perfect balance. They can last on ice for a week. Great for a cocktail party or a special occasion like Christmas.
- 6 **STAY CALM, PARTY ON!** A great host is like a duck—appearing to swim calmly through the water while paddling like crazy! We will help keep you afloat at your next party! You will have the two of us for four to five hours to help take the stress out of your event. Use us to pass hors d'oeuvres, serve dinner, set up, clean up, etc. Mutually agreed upon date.
- 7 **CUSTOM BABY QUILT** Carol will create a quilt for your baby, grandchild, niece, nephew, or best friend's baby. You can accompany Carol to the quilt store and help select the fabric. The quilt will measure approximately 36 in. by 45 in. and will take about a week to make. At the auction, you can see photos of other lovely, baby quilts Carol has created.

- 8 AUTHENTIC THAI DINNER Transport your guests to Thailand and let Cheryl cater a multi-course Thai dinner for 12 people in your home. Cheryl lived in Thailand for seven years and is a fantastic Thai cook; Heidi will serve as kitchen help and Cheryl's sous chef. B.Y.O. Singha (alcohol not included). Mutually agreed upon date and time.
- 9 IF MUSIC BE THE FOOD OF LOVE This auction item is for a waltz in the folk tradition—a piece of music that will be newly composed for you or for someone very special to you, perhaps a friend, a spouse, or a couple getting married. No dance is more romantic than the waltz, and no gift speaks more eloquently of romance than a waltz dedicated to the recipient. If you have a child or friend getting married, or if you want to express your affection for someone truly special, this auction item will make an unforgettable gift. You will receive the sheet music and a recording (live performance and waltz instruction can be arranged separately). Please allow about three weeks for the artistic process.
- 10 TWO TANGLEWOOD TICKETS FOR ALL-BERNSTEIN PROGRAM WITH THE BOSTON BALLET Enjoy the magic of Tanglewood in summer! Andris Nelsons conducts an all-Bernstein program with the Boston Ballet, featuring violinist Baiba Skride. This program includes a performance of hit ballet Fancy Free, which was the basis for Leonard Bernstein and Jerome Robbins' On The Town. As seeing this performance you'll know why Robbins gained notoriety for combining classical choreography with jazz and popular dance moves. Performance on August 18, 2018, 6:00 p.m., Section 9 seats C12 and C13. 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 18, 2018.
- 11 DR. PHIL SAYS "DON'T MESS WITH THE NEST" Does your nest need a door rehung or a dripping faucet fixed? Tired of hearing about those unfinished items on your household "honey do list"? William will provide four hours of his services to help reduce that list or assist in planning a larger project. Regain some peace in your nest and bid on this item! Mutually agreed upon date.
- 12 SOUP'S ON! TWO QUARTS OF SOUP DELIVERED EACH MONTH Soup's On! In the words of Japanese novelist Junichiro Tanizaki, "Whenever I sit with a bowl of soup before me, listening to the murmur that penetrates like the distant song of an insect, lost in contemplation of the flavours to come, I feel as if I were being drawn into a trance." Let the talented soup chef team of Susie, Victoria, Marcia, Edie and Greg draw you into a trance by creating two quarts of your favorite soups each month for one year beginning in April or a mutually agreed upon month. Suggest your favorites or let us create soups for you based on your preferences or what is in season. We can prepare chowders, gumbos, stews and chili in meat or vegetarian versions. Mutually agreed upon dates.
- 13 FIVE HOME-BAKED PIES Sniff that aroma now! Bid now for five pies—your choice of filling (such as strawberry–rhubarb, blueberry, cranberry, pecan, apple, Marlboro, pumpkin, seasonal fruit) delivered to your home, on up to five mutually agreeable dates. Requests for holiday pies can usually be accommodated. Mutually agreed upon dates.
- 14 FLY FISHING ADVENTURE If you win this item, you can explore one of Massachusetts' finest trout streams with your guides extraordinaire, Tim and Didi. If you are the adventurous type we could fish the East Branch of the Westfield River below Chesterfield Gorge. Sheer rock walls, glacial boulders, and easy access makes the "EB" a destination river for fly fishers lucky enough to live in Massachusetts. Just starting out? The Swift River in Ware, Massachusetts, provides easy wading, crystal clear water, and your chance to cast for brilliant brook trout or hefty rainbows. The fortunate winning

bidder(s) can fly solo or convince a friend or spouse to bid for the second spot for a day-long adventure. You also get transportation and a delicious stream-side lunch catered to your dietary needs as well as custom flies for a day's worth of fishing. Prime fishing dates are late May and mid-October/November and may require some flexibility depending on weather and stream flows. Winner provides MA fishing license and waders/boots (which can also be borrowed from folks). Rods, leaders, tippet, and flies are provided. Maximum number we can accommodate is two people. All day event. May - Early June or September - November.

- 15 **POOL PARTY** Throw a terrific party for 20 or more guests in a 40 ft. x 20 ft. heated pool with diving board and lifeguard. We'll provide hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, fruit salad, and soda. Perfect for a kid's birthday party, but could be an adult party as well. Mutually agreed upon date during summer 2018. Mutually agreed upon time and date.
- 16 **SPEND A WEEK ON BAILEY ISLAND** Enjoy a week of vacation in a cottage on the Maine coast. Your home for the week on Bailey Island is within walking distance of the beach, restaurants, and the world's only cribstone bridge. Wake up to the sounds of lobster boats chugging in the channel and maybe catch sight of a porpoise, seal, or even a bald eagle. The one bath, two-bedroom cottage sleeps four to six people and comes with internet, but no TV. Two and a half hours from Harvard, and just 25 minutes from Brunswick and Bath. Available June 2–9, 2018.
- 17 **DAY SAIL TO THE HISTORIC ISLES OF SHOALS** Anchors aweigh for this sailing trip to the historic Isles of Shoals located six miles off the coast of Rye, NH. At a mutually agreed upon date between May and October, you and three others will meet Dick Case and Nancy Meyer in Kittery, ME for a day sail to the islands on their 37 ft. sloop "Thisbe." We can explore the three main islands (Star, Appledore, and Smuttynose), tour historic sites, visit Star's new solar plant, or just swim in the coves and relax on Star's front porch rockers. Picnic lunch included. You'll be back to the mainland around dinnertime. Mutually agreed upon date.
- 18 **IT'S NOT TACO TUESDAY** Enjoy a gourmet Mexican dinner in your home for up to 10 guests inspired by renowned chef Rick Bayless. Jon and Stacie have been steadily cooking their way through Rick Bayless's cookbooks for the past 23 years after hearing him interviewed on NPR, and Heidi can cook most anything well. Rick Bayless is a Top Chef Master's Winner, owner of the award winning restaurant Topolobampo in Chicago, and an anthropologist who studied in Mexico. We'll serve authentic Mexican food with fresh fish, roasted meats, and aromatic vegetables. We'll serve this feast in your home to your guests and even clean up on the way out. Mutually agreed upon date.
- 19 **EXQUISITE WATERCOLOR OF THE HARVARD UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH AND TOWN COMMON, BY AGNES ABBOT, TITLED "AUTUMN AFTERNOON."** This is an historic piece of art by a famous artist. It's a watercolor on paper (14 ½ in. x 22 in.), its framed size is (25 in. x 31 in.). Abbot (1897–1992) was a Harvard resident, who was born in Potsdam, Germany, to American parents. As a child, Abbot and her family would summer on Cape Cod and around the turn of the century, they moved back to the States permanently to continue the children's schooling. By 1920, Abbot had become a member of the Wellesley College Art History Department faculty, a position she would hold until 1963. Her work is included in the collections of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Wellesley College Art Museum, and the Fogg Museum at Harvard University.

- 20 INDIAN HILL CONCERT WITH DINNER AT A LOCAL RESTAURANT This item includes two center-front tickets to your choice of an Indian Hill concert from the 2018–19 season with a \$100 gift certificate for dinner at your choice of a local restaurant. The concert also includes a pre-concert talk by Maestro Bruce Hangen, and a post-concert Q&A session with coffee and dessert.
- 21 BEAUTIFUL HANDWOVEN BABY OR LAP BLANKET This beautiful cotton blanket was handwoven by our own, extraordinary, award-winning Dorothy Solbrig. The blanket has a satin binding and is woven in an overshot pattern on a colorful background, measuring 30 in. x 38 in. Use it for a baby or to keep your lap toasty. The piece required 12 hours to set up the loom, 6 hours to weave, and 4 hours to do the finishing.
- 22 CUSTOM BRANDED WEBSITE Graphic designer Jen Manell can help you distinguish your business online. She'll work with you to create a custom logo and branded website. Stacie Green, John Green, and Heidi Bachmann will help you develop your site architecture and information design. They will implement your custom branding using Wordpress to create a "brochure site". A brochure site details your products and services and conveys a sense of permanence and credibility. This auction item includes training to optimize your website, including features such as news, a blog, or calendar. Note: this does not include annual fees for for domain name registration, website hosting (from \$4–\$25 per month) online shopping functionality, or data collection, but will include three rounds of creative work. Visit jen.manell.com to view Jen's work. Stacie directed the development of the new Harvard Public Library site and has also built e-learning for Intel, PBS, and Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art.
- 23 RETURN OF THE LOBSTER FEAST These lobsters will come knocking at your door! We'll cater a lobster feast for up to 12 people at your home. The dinner will include chowda, salad, corn, dessert, and of course, lobster! A variety of great New England beers included. Evening Mutually agreed upon date.
- 24 THE BEST PIZZA PARTY IN TOWN Have fun as the hosts of your own party and leave the cooking to Papa Chuck and Mama Lucy. Chefs Chuck and Lucy will come to your house and cook gourmet pizza for 30 people, while you sit back, relax, and enjoy your friends and good food. Can it get any better than that? Actually, yes—a large bottle of wine is included. Mutually agreed upon date.

From the Children (Silent Auction)

- 200 HANDS & HEARTS PHOTO Beautiful, multicolored "Hands & Hearts" artwork, made by the Butterfly and Rock Garden kids. This framed photo is perfect for hanging at home, in your office, or anywhere.
- 201 - 4 FRUIT AND VEGGIE BOWL SETS (4) A set of four "Fruit & Veggie" bowls made by the Cosmix kids. Each set includes the kids' favorite fruits or veggies hand-drawn with a ceramic pen on each bowl. The baked bowls make the drawings permanent and washable; each bowl is signed on the bottom by the artist. Four unique sets available.
- 202 FRUIT AND VEGGIE BOWL SETS (4) A set of four "Fruit & Veggie" bowls made by the Cosmix kids. Each set includes the kids' favorite fruits or veggies hand-drawn with a

- ceramic pen on each bowl. The baked bowls make the drawings permanent and washable; each bowl is signed on the bottom by the artist. Four unique sets available.
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- 205 ONE SET OF HAND-DRAWN NOTECARDS Samantha Taylor, age 9, loves sketching animals! She offers this set of original, signed sketches on blank notecards. Mixed media.
- 206 AMERICAN GIRL DOLL—KAYA This genuine American Girl doll, Kaya, comes with a saddle, winter accessories, some furniture and more. Her hair could use some love, but she has been well-cared for. Kaya "always takes time to respect the earth" and she is ready to share her joy and Native American heritage with a new friend!
- 207 OWEN AND MITCHELL'S GRANOLA It's back by popular demand! Start your day right with this crispy, nutritious granola filled with oats, wheat germ, almonds, and dried fruit. Bagged in 16 oz. packages, it goes great with yogurt and fresh fruit. Available to the first six bidders.

Events and Entertainment (Silent Auction)

- 300 SINGLE BLIND WINE TASTING Can you distinguish a French Pinot Noir from a California or New Zealand Pinot Noir? The wines will be served "blind" (in numbered brown bags) in three separate flights of wines from around the world: Sauvignon Blancs, Pinots, and Syrahs. For each flight, Dan will tell you which varietals and geographies are in the flight. See if you can guess the country from which the wine originated, before the surprising "big reveal!" Cheese and crackers will accompany the wines. Join Carol and Dan in their Bolton home to challenge your inner oenophile. 4:00-6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 19, 2018.
- 301 JUNE HIKE UP MT. WACHUSETT Carol and Dan, trained Sierra Club trip leaders, will guide you and your friends or family members on a hike up our local mountain via their favorite trails. We get an early start and meet at the trailhead. Bring a backpack with water and appropriate layers of clothing. We will provide snacks. Rain date TBD. 9:30 a.m. Saturday, June 2, 2018.

- 302 **THREE IMMIGRANT HUNGARIAN DINNER** Ildi and Imre, formerly Hungarian, and Eleanor, formerly Canadian, will serve an authentic Hungarian dinner, complete with paprika and Tokaji wine. You will dine among old Transylvanian portraits of grandparents and other memorabilia, along with a photo of Eleanor in Bermuda, and Canadian artifacts. Eleanor and Imre's home on Flanagan Road, Bolton. You will be safe, we are all legal. 6:00 p.m. Saturday, September 15, 2018.
- 303 **NEW ORLEANS BRUNCH** Let the Toths and the Cassatts treat you and your guests to a sumptuous brunch of New Orleans gourmet delights, while sipping mimosas or other beverages on the iconic Toth porch in Bolton. 11:00 a.m. Sunday, June 24, 2018.
- 304 **DINE DOWN WILLOW ROAD 2018** Back by popular demand, this annual, elegant event is certain to delight. Your evening will begin with the glow of sunset over Bare Hill Pond at the Chapman-Ruze residence. Enjoy cocktails and assorted appetizers as you chat with friends and listen to live jazz on the waterfront patio. Then stroll on down Willow Road to Willie and Darrell Wickmans' where you will be wowed by a sumptuous main course of fresh caught salmon and local springtime asparagus and a delicious side. Saucy wait staff will serve your food along with specially selected wines to complement the meal. As if that weren't enough, you'll then saunter on down to 18 Willow Road to Pam and Glen Frederick's exquisite home and wood-side fire pit. There you'll celebrate springtime at the bonfire with cordials and Glen's favorite, a strawberry rhubarb pie, as well as other delectable treats. Only 24 lucky HUUC donors will have an opportunity to experience this elegant evening on Harvard's own Willow Road. This item goes quickly—sign up ASAP! 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 2, 2018.
- 305 **DELECTABLE SALAD BAR LUNCHEON WITH AN AFTERNOON OF FUN** Whet your whistle with a glass of Prosecco or iced tea, then fill your plate with delectable greens and toppings (think shrimp, artichoke hearts, deviled eggs, candied pecans, etc.), accompanied by a variety of breads. Fruit and sweets complete the meal. Luncheon will be served outdoors (weather permitting). Your hosts, Cary and Carol, have a variety of fun and intriguing activities planned that will provide an opportunity for guests to get to know one another. The luncheon will take place at the home of Carol MacFarlane in Bolton. 12:00 p.m - 3:00 p.m. Friday, June 8, 2018.
- 306 **FAMILY GAME NIGHT** Join us for a game night for all ages! Bring your sense of play along with a splash of competition. To keep things interesting, there is meta-game—a game within a game—you'll be playing through the evening. Intrigued? That is all we are saying for now. Snacks, a simple supper, and beverages provided. 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Saturday, October 13, 2018.
- 307 **AN EVENING OF CLASSICAL PIANO MUSIC AND DINNER** Enjoy an evening of classical piano music in the warm atmosphere of our Bolton Road home. You will hear selections from the treasury of classical piano music, performed by Sonya on our Hamburg Steinway. Dinner will include appetizers, a main dish, a dessert, and wine. 5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 28, 2018.
- 308 **DRINKS ON THE DECK** Come have wine, tapas, cheese, and other snacks Spanish and French style. Enjoy these libations on the deck by the fire on a chilly night in the fall. Gin and tonic or vodka drinks are also available if you prefer. Late afternoon. Friday, September 28, 2018.

- 309 CLASSICAL CONCERT WITH COCKTAILS Concert pianist Sonya Ovrutsky Fensome joins John Chapman and other guest musicians to play great pieces from the classical repertoire. Enjoy the sunset with cocktails and appetizers during and after the concert. 4:00 p.m. Sunday, October 14, 2018.
- 310 CULINARY ADVENTURE TO INDIA Enjoy this autumn, three-course Sunday dinner featuring the cuisine of India. The dinner will include an appetizer, entree and dessert at the Harvard home of Piali De and Hugh Stoddart. Please bring your own alcoholic beverages. 5:00 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018.
- 311 FAT SATURDAY FEAST Dine on scrumptious Creole and Cajun specialties in seven courses with beer, wine, and spirits pairings from the team that brought you the cassoulet of previous auctions. These cuisines weave together the flavors of the many groups who settled in Southern Louisiana, including Acadian, African, French, German, Irish, Native American, and Spanish. The dinner will be a nod to the late, great Paul Prudhomme, who brought Cajun cuisine to the forefront of American dining. Come celebrate the Bayou's cuisine, adult libations, and music with us. 6:00 p.m. Saturday, February 9, 2019.
- 312 LADIES NIGHT OUT! Sorry boys, this one is just for the ladies! Come celebrate spring at the Macrae-Broadbent home in Harvard with creative, hearty appetizers, desserts, and adult refreshments provided by your hosts, Susie, Barbara, and Edie. 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday, May 11, 2018.
- 313 COOKING CLASS AT SALTBOX FARM Join us for a fun and tasty evening where you'll learn the art of fresh pasta making from a chef at Saltbox Farm in Concord. The class is held in a rustic farmhouse in a lovely bucolic setting. And of course, we will share the meal we made! Vegetarian and vegan friendly menu. 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Saturday, November 10, 2018.
- 314 COULD IT BE THE BEER? Why do so many people leave the cold of Massachusetts and retire to . . . the abominable cold of Maine? The place is crawling with hipster breweries, so maybe it's for the beer! But before you buy into that time share in Portland, you better find out. Join us for a New England beer showdown, where a selection of some of the best beers from Maine go against those of Massachusetts in side by side blind tastings. Food, friends, and laughter included! 6:00 p.m - 9:00 p.m. Saturday, June 9, 2018.
- 315 PIG ROAST XVI Join your entire church community the day before church starts at the Perkins-High home for the 16th Annual Pig Roast. Pit-roasted locally grown pork. Music. Laughter. Beer. Children's games. Horseshoe toss for the adults. Don't eat pork? No worries—there are loads of other dishes—and you can just look the other way when the pig comes off the fire. If your family has never been before, this is the year to join the fun. Children 12 and under are half price. 4:00 - 8:00 pm Saturday, September 8, 2018.

- 316 AN AMERICAN ELEGANCE WEEKEND WINE TASTING This 2018 wine tasting, focuses on enjoying wine and food, while viewing an airshow sponsored by the Collings Foundation's American Elegance gathering. You can sit on the deck of the Howe's hillside home in Stow and see antique aircraft fly overhead. Sample an array of hors d'oeuvres and finger foods and taste six elegant varieties of wines ranging from California Chardonnays to French Burgundys and Italian Chiantis. For more information on the airshow, please see www.collingsfoundation.org. 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 16, 2018.
- 317 LASAGNA LUNCH FOR ALL The Senior High Youth Group will cook and serve lunch with all the fixings following the Annual Church Meeting. After Annual Meeting. Sunday, May 20, 2018.
- 318 SOLSTICE COCKTAILS ON THE VERANDA Join friends for cocktails and a variety of seasonal hors d'oeuvres on the longest day of the year! Mixologist Eric will delight you with classic cocktails while you enjoy the sunset. 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Thursday, June 21, 2018.
- 319 SEAFOOD DINNER IN BOSTON Join Reverend Jill and her husband Ben at their home in Boston for a home-cooked three-course seafood dinner for four. Following dinner, attend a local cultural event. (Cultural event TBD and not included in bid.) Mutually agreed upon date.
- 320 GROWNUP'S MODEL TRAIN PLAYTIME Four playful people will learn how to run an O-gauge trolley, a steam engine, and a diesel engine on an approximately 5 ft. x 7.5 ft. twice-round track with three sidings. You'll learn about three different, increasingly complex ways to control large-sized model trains, while you put them through their paces to earn your engineer's certificate (good only on the Tomlinson Run Railroad). Trains will be run on the floor, so mobility helps, but isn't required. To be held at the Fellowship Building on a mutually agreed upon weekend day. While you play, you'll nosh on appetizers based on actual dining car menus to round out the fun. Mutually agreed upon date in the afternoon.
- 324 GEOLOGY HIKE AT TOPHET CHASM/OAK HILL Join geologist Dr. Britt Argow on a hike through the past on this 3.3 mile loop (approximately 380 vertical feet). View the geologic evidence that suggests dramatic events occurred here at the end of the last Ice Age. You'll learn more about the rocks and minerals that make up Littleton's Oak Hill. Bring a snack and water to enjoy at Lookout Rock. Please dress for the weather, and wear sturdy shoes. 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Saturday, May 12, 2018 (rain date: May 19, 2018).
- 325 FIRE AND SMOKE: GROWN UP'S POOL PARTY Smoked food, a fire pit, and a pool—all for grown ups! Heat up the summer with a fire pit and an abundance of food from the smoker (like smoked shrimp cocktail, overnight brisket, 8-hour ribs, and Southern "burnt end" smoked tofu over coconut rice for the vegan/veggie crowd), then cool down with a dip in the Allen family pool. Adult beverages included. 6:30 p.m. Saturday, August 18th, 2018.

- 326 **TURKISH DINNER** Enjoy a very tasty Turkish dinner including many meze (small plates), main course selections, dessert and Turkish (alcoholic and nonalcoholic) drinks and coffee. Turkish cuisine has its roots in pastoral times, when Turks lived in what is now called Mongolia. It became a fusion of food cultures as Turkish nomadic tribes migrated westward over the years. This cuisine uses lots of fresh fruits and vegetables, lamb and rice, and takes multiple grills to prepare. Food is not vegan, but vegetarians can enjoy lots of veggies and fruits upon request. You will dine on a screened porch for a truly memorable meal. 6:00 p.m. Saturday, August 18, 2018.
- 327 **BOY'S NIGHT OUT IN A MAN CAVE** Come down to Darrell's house for a boys' night of pool, Liar's Poker, big-screen Boston sports video, adult beverages, hors d'oeuvres, pizza, heaps of great B.S. stories, but sorry 'no cigars'. Saturday, one week before the Super Bowl. If you don't know how to play Liar's Poker—don't worry—you'll learn! 6:00 p.m. Saturday, January 26, 2019.

Services and Classes (Silent Auction)

- 400 **BRUSH UP ON YOUR FRENCH** Georgia Sassen is a near-fluent French speaker. She has tutored French and visits France often. If you are traveling to France (or even Quebec), brush up on your French of any level with three tutoring sessions. Georgia's house in Harvard, or yours. Mutually agreed upon dates.
- 401 **BALANCE YOUR QI AT WATER LILY ACUPUNCTURE** Acupuncture treats the body and spirit. In addition to being extremely relaxing and safe, acupuncture activates the body's self-healing mechanism. This item is for one treatment of acupuncture by Yong-Jun Min in his Harvard office. Yong-Jun practices both traditional acupuncture and Shakuju, a Japanese style that may appeal to those sensitive to needles. Mutually agreed upon date.
- 402 **PIANO LESSONS** Piano lessons—jazz, classical, blues—you name it, with legend John Chapman. Winning bidder receives 2 piano lessons (each for an hour), wit and wisdom, confidence to undertake the unknown, appreciation of beauty, broadening of perspectives, new abilities to solve problems. . . what are you waiting for? Sign up now! Mutually agreed upon date and time.
- 403 **SAT PREP OR ACADEMIC TUTORING FOR NEW STUDENTS** Two, 1-hour sessions of tutoring or SAT prep, as appropriate to the child's age. Middle or HS students: SSAT, SAT, PSAT or other college entrance exam prep, subject tutoring (math, any of the sciences, English, history). Elementary or Middle School Students: skill building in either reading, writing or math. To be completed either before June 1, 2018, (SAT exam is May 5 and June 2) or between September 1st and October 11th (the PSAT is in mid-October and the fall SAT reasoning test is usually offered in early October, early November and early December). Mutually agreed upon date and time.
- 404 **PILATES PRIVATE INSTRUCTION** Are you looking to try Pilates, or take your fitness routine to the next level? This item is a 60-minute private class with Cassie Johnson at Bodylines Pilates in Harvard. Mutually agreed upon date and time scheduled with instructor.

- 405 CHAINSAW CHOPS Three hours of chainsaw expertise and work is yours if you win this item; it includes small trees, branches, on-ground sawing. (Not for large tree-felling). Chainsaws and fuel provided. Mid-day. Mutually agreed upon date.
- 406 FAMILY FIELD TRIP: COASTAL SCIENCE Join geologist Dr. Britt Argow for a coastal science adventure at the North Shore beach of your choice (Wingaersheek or Crane Beach preferred). Learn why the beach is there, where it came from, how it formed, and how we know the history and the past by what we can observe in the present. Make your own grain-sized card or study the waves and currents; learn how to read the ripples on the title flat, or investigate the denizens of the saltmarsh. Field trip activities will be customized to the ages and interests of those attending. Finish with a casual picnic on the beach and then enjoy the rest of the day! Mutually agreed upon date during summer.
- 407 PRIVATE PIANO LESSON One hour of private instruction from our faculty—graduates of leading conservatories around the world as well as nurturing and passionate instructors. Lessons take place at M. Steinert Piano Academy in Natick. Mutually agreed upon date and time, available only Thursdays or Sundays.
- 408 PIANO FOR ALL! GROUP CLASSES FOR ADULT HOBBYISTS Have you always wanted to learn to play piano? If you have no previous experience, and perhaps no instrument at home or no time to practice, this class is for you. "Piano for All!" is a unique program for adults willing to learn in a recreational atmosphere. It is meant for the true beginner. You will enjoy playing your first song in the first five minutes of the class. The winning bidder can join an upcoming session of four classes, one class weekly for four weeks. Classes take place at the M. Steinert Piano Academy in Natick. 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Thursdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2018.
- 409 THE MINDFUL WARRIOR You are a Warrior and Mindfulness is yours to claim. Join Lynn as she facilitates a one-hour class that is guaranteed to change the way you view mindfulness! 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sunday, April 29, 2018.
- 410 KIDS CAN COOK (AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE THE TEACHER!) FOR AGES 9 TO 12 Do your kids have an interest in cooking, but you don't have the patience or time to turn your kitchen upside down? Do you dream of the day when your kids can make their own omelettes, pack their own lunch and maybe even plan and cook dinner once a week? I'm happy to turn my kitchen upside down to help! Depending on the interest and age levels, the kids and I (parent input welcome) will plan a simple menu and create it from start to finish. Maybe it's quesadillas, guacamole and salsa? Or cheese omelettes with fruit salad? Veggie sandwich roll-ups with homemade hummus? Or maybe even learn to make some sushi (peanut butter and jelly allowed)? Whatever the meal, the kids will get to enjoy their creations and go home with recipes and nutrition tips to start (or continue) their own culinary journeys. This class is for kids aged nine to twelve. 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, April 28, 2018.
- 411 KIDS CAN COOK (AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE THE TEACHER!) FOR AGES 6 TO 9 Please see item #321 for event description. This class is for kids aged six to nine. 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, April 7, 2018.

- 412 KIDS CAN COOK (AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE THE TEACHER!) FOR AGES 13 AND UP Please see item #321 for event description. This class is for kids aged 13 and up. 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Treasures (Silent Auction)

- 500 THE STAGE BECKONS - SUBSCRIPTION FOR TWO FOR THE MERRIMACK REPERTORY THEATRE'S 2018-2019 SEASON Experience world premieres! This item is for two subscriptions for the Merrimack Repertory Theatre's 2018-2019 season. Founded in Lowell in 1979, the company produces vibrant, contemporary plays that explore what it means to be alive today, with a seven-show season that runs from September through May. Merrimack Rep is a cultural resource for the region and strives to remove barriers to access and build community partnerships. Acknowledging that artists are at the core of all creative work, Merrimack Rep focuses on developing relationships with leading theatre artists from around the region and the country. The 2018-2019 season features three world premiere's including a new play from Lowell's native son Jack Kerouac called The Haunted Life. Come enjoy the Merrimack Rep's intimate 279-seat theatre, which is easy to get to and provides free parking.
(NOTE: the above item will go live.)
- 501 BURBERRY CLASSIC QUILTED JACKET Women's deep purple classic Burberry quilted jacket, size Medium. Excellent condition. Perfect for fall or spring.
- 502 TWO TICKETS TO CANTRIP CONCERT The band's name, Cantrip, is an Old Scots word meaning a charm, magic spell, or piece of mischief; it aptly describes the unexpected twists and turns in their musical arrangements, likewise the compelling potency of their musicianship. Originally formed as a quartet, Cantrip sprang from a local session in Edinburgh nearly 20 years ago. In this concert, you will be delighted with Traditional Scots Celtic music, played on pipes, fiddle, guitar, and octave mandolin. The Concert takes place at the community building at 25 Half Moon Hill in Acton. 7:30 pm. Tuesday, April 24, 2018.
- 505 TONY TEA KETTLE Have friends over for tea served from this attractive eight-cup copper tea kettle.
- 507 BREWED FOR THE GODS Back by popular demand, beer brewed by prize-winning home brewer Marc Vilain. This auction is for six large (22 oz.) bottles of elixir worthy of serving to friends, neighbors, gods, and even the snobbiest of craft brew aficionados. You will get a selection that ranges from hefeweizen (sunlight in a bottle) to rich wild-fermented ales of the kind Friar Tuck would serve you. There will be only one set of Marc's beer offered at this auction, so bid lustily and don't miss out.
- 508 CIDER IS THE NEW CRAFT BEER Craft beer is so passé—the newest new thing is craft cider. So, for your bidding pleasure tonight, we offer a batch of wonderfully flavorful and imaginative ciders brewed locally by Marc Vilain. Starting their lives as plain old Carlson's apple juice, the alchemical transmutation of fermentation has rendered these ciders into effervescent joy in a bottle. You will receive six large (22 oz.) bottles of craft cider ranging from Galaxy-hopped cider to tropical cider infused with passion fruit and guanabana. We are only offering one lot of Marc's ciders tonight: bid vivaciously—or miss your chance and remain passé.

- 509 **THEY MAKE WINE IN HARVARD?** The grapes came from Chile, but the wine was made right here by local brewer (and now winemaker) Marc Vilain. If you've seen your fellow parishioners get into bidding wars over Marc's beer, wait till you try his wine. This auction is for a lot of three bottles: a Chardonnay in the style of white Burgundies (not an oak bomb!), a fruity and floral Malbec, and a deep and earthy Carmenerere. Never had Carmenerere? You haven't lived until you've tried it. This is the only lot of Marc's wines that will be available at this auction; so bid as if Bacchus depends on you.
- 510 **LARGE BOX OF THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE TRACK, ENGINES, AND CARS** Box of over 100 pieces of Thomas the Tank Engine track and trains. All wood construction. Bought separately, these pieces are worth quite a bit. Save yourself the expense, time, gas and/or drone shipping cost. Will make any child happy!
- 511 **HANDPAINTED ORNATE RABBIT JUST IN TIME FOR EASTER!** Enjoy a touch of the Easter season year round, and bring home this beautiful ceramic rabbit that was made in Mexico.
- 512 **HANDBLOWN ART GLASS "KUGEL"** Use these glass ornaments for Christmas or other decorating. One ornament has a 3 in. diameter with spherical light and medium blue swirls. The other is a striated dark-blue teardrop shape that measures 2.5 in x 4 in.
- 513 **ILLUMINATE YOUR INSIDE OR OUTDOOR DINING TABLE** Bring a touch of Scandinavia to your dining table with this black, hand-wrought iron candelabra. The fixture has five graceful crystal bobeches for holding tea lights, and stands 14 in. x 14 in. This is an elegant piece for either your indoor or outdoor dining area.
- 514 **TYGER, TYGER, BURNING BRIGHT** The Bengal tiger ranks among the biggest wild cats alive today and belongs to the world's charismatic megafauna (Google that!). It is the national animal of both India and Bangladesh, and a unique animal in that it plays a pivotal role in the health and diversity of an ecosystem. Adorn your home with charismatic megafauna as the highest bidder of two beautiful photographic prints of a Bengal tiger taken by Harvard resident (and Piali's hisband), Hugh Stoddart.
- 515 **CULTIVATE A BIG PAPI** This baseball batting practice target is brand new and can help you cultivate a "slammer" in your family or a friend's.
- 516 **TRIO OF DECORATIVE GOURDS** Spice up your home decoration with these three intricately hand-carved gourds from Peru.
- 517 **KIDS' RETRO ROCKERS** Lovingly passed down from one UU family to another, these two handcrafted chairs are great for hanging out, reading, or watching a movie. Wood base with removable cloth covers.
- 518 **INFINITY MODEL 114M (4.5 in) EQUATORIAL REFLECTING TELESCOPE** Look to the skies! Your budding astronomer will love this starter telescope with three eye-pieces on an adjustable tripod.
- 519 **COLLECTABLE FIESTA® CAPPUCCINO MUGS** Two collectible Fiestaware mugs. Excellent condition. Each holds 21 oz. of liquid.

- 520 GLASS PUNCH BOWL SET This vintage Chatham glass punch bowl set (includes large platter, bowl, ladle, and 24 cups) offers you an excuse to throw a party!
- 521 PUPPET THEATER Bid high and you can have this quality wooden puppet theater, complete with curtain and puppets that will entertain your kids for hours the good old-fashioned way!
- 522 TABLE TOP TERRARIUM Bring the outdoors into your home. This glass table top terrarium, featuring copper trim, is filled with a beautiful variety of succulents and moss that will add a touch of nature to your surroundings. Terrariums are low-maintenance, space-saving, and great for people who love to garden, but live in small spaces.
- 523 RADIO FLYER SPIN 'N SAUCER Your toddler or preschooler will have fun sitting and gliding on this wheeled saucer. The wheels spin in every direction, and it's powered by kid's motion. Good for indoor or outdoor use.
- 525 MYRTLE TOPIARY Add this cute topiary to a bright spot in your home, and it will provide a bit of cheerfulness and beauty. There are three topiaries, each of which are listed as separate items.
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- 528 SMALL SHAKER TABLE This small, wooden Shaker table would be perfect next to your favorite chair or at the end of your sofa.
- 529 BURTON SNOWBOARD W/ BINDINGS A great opportunity to get your child or grandchild a Burton snowboard to get them started for the 2022 or 2026 Olympics! This is one of two snowboards available.
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- 531 CHILD'S BURTON SNOWBOARD BOOTS Keep your feet firmly planted with these snowboard boots. Hardly used and comfortable. Size 8.
- 532 CHILD'S BURTON SNOWBOARD BOOTS Keep your feet firmly planted with these snowboard boots. Hardly used and comfortable. Size 10.
- 533 NEW SHEAFFER FOUNTAIN PEN Write in your journal with style using this Sheaffer VFM fountain pen. Matte black, nickel plate trim, with medium nib.

- 534 **FOUR DECORATIVE BOWLS** These artful bowls will look beautiful on your shelf or credenza. Turned aluminum, small ceramic, turned pear wood, and larger ceramic modern-style decorative bowls. Sizes range from approximately 4 in. to 6 in. diameter and from 2.5 in. to 3 in. high. Never used.
- 535 **REUSABLE MODELING CLAY WITH MODELING BOARD** About 3 lbs. of oil-based modeling clay by Van Aken. Eleven rough clumps of clay, in colors ranging from red brown to tan to grey. This reshapable clay is the kind used for claymations, but it can also be cast into other more permanent materials. Get your clay moving with the included .5 in. x 12 in. x 32 in. muslim-covered modeling board. Never used.
- 536 **DESK FULL OF MEMORIES** This is a custom made oak desk that has a glass top, eight drawers, and is L-shaped, and according to Mary Donald (the donor) it's patient tested. The desk is heavy and the winning bidder should be prepared to move it from Mary's house.
- 538 **HANDKNIT BABY GIRL'S SWEATER** This beautiful sweater is handknit with soft, synthetic-wool blend yarn; it's also machine-washable/dryable. Perfect for a baby shower or new baby gift.
- 539 **COLORFUL HANDPAINTED WOODEN TRAY** This colorful, wooden, handpainted tray could brighten up a desk, dresser or just about anywhere. The tray is decorated with abstract flowers and floral shapes. Predominant colors include yellow, red, peach, and shades of blue and green.
- 541 **CRANBERRY BREAD FOR THE HOLIDAYS** Enjoy Reverend Jill's homemade cranberry bread during the winter holidays. Her recipe was passed down from her mother—her kids say it beats their local bakery. You will get four loaves in total: two loaves for Thanksgiving, and two for the Christmas holidays.
- 542 **HOMEMADE COOKIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS** No time to bake during the holidays? I'll help fill your cookie jar with fresh baked cookies. Choose from a variety of homemade cookies, such as: peanut butter chocolate chip; soft gingersnaps with cranberries, pecans, and white chocolate; cinnamon snaps; lemon bars; chocolate espresso shortbread . . . and more. Choose up to four varieties; each batch will contain approximately three-dozen cookies. To be delivered all at once during December, 2018.
- 543 **NEW ENGLAND WORSHIPS BOOK** This book contains over 100 places of worship, described in text and line drawings, showing the evolution of worship from the time of the Pilgrims to the present. Written and illustrated by John Wedda.
- 544 **JEFF HARRIS CLOCK** Harvard icon, UU member, and wood worker Jeff Harris originally made this clock for the auction in 2004. Made of turned cherry and about 17 in. in diameter, this clock is similar to the one that hangs in the back of the sanctuary.
- 545 **DREAMS OF TAGINE** Do you love slow-cooked dishes redolent with flavors of the Mediterranean? Then, cooking with a tagine is for you. This item includes a ceramic tagine, cookbook with recipes of the region, and other surprises. Now, get in the kitchen and get busy!

- 546-50 SOCIAL JUSTICE BUTTONS Bid on these social justice buttons—great for marches and everyday wear.
- 551 CUSTOM SOCIAL JUSTICE BUTTON What message calls to you? Work with Jen to create the social justice button of your choice! Wear to marches or everyday to show the world what is important to you. One custom button goes to each of the top two bidders.

Raffle Baskets

- 700 "LET'S GET GARDENING!" BASKET Get ready for springtime with this cedar planter and all the tools you need to get started in your garden.
- 701 GOURMET CHOCOLATE LOVER'S BASKET Filled with decadent gourmet treats such as cocoa dusted truffles, dark chocolate toffee sauce, milk chocolate covered cashews, dark chocolate covered graham crackers, dark chocolate espresso beans, this basket is for you or that special someone in your life.
- 702 CAT LOVER'S BASKET Fun and games with your cat(s) if you get this basket: cat balls, cat toys, cat food, perfect door knob cat scratch pad, cat books, and more!
- 703 SHOULD WE CALL IT A MOSCOW MUELL-ER? Could it be an omen? The classic drink is making a comeback in trendy bars and restaurants. This basket has everything you need to make a Moscow Mule: a set of copper mugs, Russian vodka, ginger beer, and limes.
- 704 1970'S MOVIE NIGHT BASKET Relive the 70's through some classic cinema. Includes DVDs of both kid and adult movies, candy, and popcorn.
- 705 A FLORA DORA OR FORENOON FIZZ? Enjoy "a gin made oddly." Hendrick's distills in miniscule batches of 500 litres, which gives the master distiller even greater control of her careful artistry. Hendrick's wondrous botanical signature consists of flowers, roots, fruits, and seeds from the world over, which function to complement and set the stage for a delicious duet of infusions: rose petal and cucumber. Sip your Hendrick's unembellished on the rocks that were carved in Vermont, and then poured into the lovely Czech lead crystal tumblers provided. Or, explore your Hendrick's in a Flora Dora or Forenoon Fizz. Other surprise items will be included with the basket.
- 706 BASKET O' BERKSHIRE BREWS A basket o' big brews from Massachusetts' oldest and most creative small-batch microbrewery, Berkshire Brewing Co. Enjoy regionally brewed premium pale-ales and porters, and the tastiest Amber Ale you may ever drink.
- 707 WHOLE FOODS GIFT BASKET Fifty dollar gift card from Whole Foods, along with some enticing and irresistible Whole Foods items, such as, organic almond butter, Fair Trade organic coffee, chocolate and other goodies.
- 708 BEER AND WEED Relive the '70s with this basket. There's a 12-pack of Free Flow IPA, "a mind-melting India Pale Ale," from Vermont's Otter Creek Co. that will make you hoppy. In addition, you'll get an assortment of herbal items that will blow your mind.

- 709 **SOME LIKE IT HOT** Spice up your life when you win this basket featuring all things spicy, including several ghost pepper items. Ghost pepper (Bhut Jolokia) is one of the hottest peppers in the world. This basket includes ghost pepper chocolate, Afterlife Ghost Pepper Sauce, a jar of homemade ghost pepper jam (from ghost peppers grown in Harvard—you can't get more local than that) along with other assorted hot pepper jellies, jams, sauces, and Sir Kensington's Sriracha Mayonnaise. Also offered with this basket are two wonderful books: *Cooking with Napalm*, and *Peppers of the America's: Your Guide to Capsicums That Forever Changed Flavor*.
- 710 **DO YOU YOGA?** This is the perfect basket for those who want to begin a yoga practice. It includes a slip-proof yoga mat with carrying strap, a yoga hand towel, and BPA-free water bottle along with a Lululemon bag. There's also a gift certificate for a yoga classes at Revolution Yoga in Acton, and On the Mat Yoga in Concord. For additional inspiration, you'll get a copy of Baron Baptiste's *Forty Days to Personal Revolution: A Breakthrough Program to Radically Change Your Body and Awaken the Sacred Within Your Soul*.
- 711 **SEEING RED?** The color red has numerous serious meanings, but this basket is about having fun exploring food in shades of this beautiful color. Items range from savory to sweet - think red lentil pasta to red raspberry jam, and everything in between. Each item is natural in color, so no red dyes here. Red cloth napkins included to wipe all the red deliciousness from your ruby red lips!
- 712 **"PARIS IS ALWAYS A GOOD IDEA" BASKET** Audrey Hepburn had it right; Paris is always a good idea. The next best idea is this basket of wine, books, macarons, and souvenirs de Paris. Tchou Tchou!
- 713 **KIDS' JUMBO CRAFT BASKET** Giant Kids' Craft Basket including: ink stamps and pads, messenger bag, jewelry kits, headband kit, bead kit.
- 714 **GAME BASKET** Game Basket including: Qwirkle, Chess/Checkers, Scrabble, Risk, Jr. Monopoly.
- 715 **KIDS' CRAFT BASKET (#2)** Kids' Craft Basket including: Drawing set, collage art, coloring pad, cross stitch set, loop do doo, pot holder set.