

Live Auction Catalog

1 Kristen's Sheet Cake Supply

Donated by Kristen Starr

If you're like many of us, you would enjoy an occasional sheet cake to share with family and friends or just to eat in large forkfuls, Tina Fey-style, when the world seems like a dark place. Yes, you could go to the supermarket bakery, but why do that when experienced cook and baker Kristen Starr is ready and willing to create them and drop them on your doorstep, no questions asked? Kristen will provide you with sheet cakes on a quarterly basis in 2018 (appropriately, they will be quarter sheet cakes, if you want to get technical). January: Mississippi Mud Cake. April: Creamy Coconut Cake. August: Luscious Lemon Cake. December: Oatmeal Cake with Vanilla Buttercream.



This item is sponsored by Ellen Abell. Ellen will match the first \$80 of your winning bid on this item.

2 Vining Onion Planted in a Unique Caribbean Blue Pot

Donated by Robin Russell and Amy Kaiser

Plant Whisperer Robin has carefully nurtured and tended a South African vining onion and planted it in a unique ceramic pot hand-crafted by Amy. The wheel-thrown pot, with matching catch-plate has a Caribbean Blue glaze with dark blue glaze highlighting the indentations that add shape and volume along the sides. Robin will skillfully provide any guidance and instruction you may need to encourage your vining onion to reach it's full potential and bring enchanting greenery to your home.



3 Conversation II

Donated by Julia Kjelgaard

In print artist Julia Kjelgaard's own words: "The craft, hard work, critical observation and labor of art making accesses the rich language of images and objects that evoke wonder, beauty, intelligence, understanding, empathy, ethics and poetics. I believe that throughout history, the arts are one of the major ways that we record our true understanding as human beings, and that the arts are a tool to continue to reach across the global, cultural, religious and intellectual divides that plague us as human beings." In "Conversation II," circles float, underlie, and interact with carefully placed squares to create, yes, a conversation with each other. Image size 16 x 21 3/4, if framed 19 1/4 x 25 1/4.



4 Wooden Doll House with Furniture

Donated by Sally and Jerry McCreary

A chalet style home fully furnished---the stuff of dreams no longer! Well, except for the size, that is. This charming wooden doll house, once used during play therapy sessions with children, has coaxed little ones to more comfortable places and spaces. Now you can give this sturdy, well-constructed doll house a re-purposed life providing hours of imaginative play to your children, grandchildren, or other youngsters you love.



5 Soil Whisperer Consultation

Donated by Kirk Iversen

Is your soil healthy? Are your worms smiling? Are your soil's biological, physical and nutritional conditions right for your plants? The Soil Whisperer will work with you and your soil to understand what each of you need from each other, collect any needed soil samples, and help you get them tested. Then we will decide what, if anything, your soil needs to accomplish your goals.



The Soil Whisperer is sponsored by Terry Rodriguez. Terry will match the first \$50 of your winning bid on this item.

6 Middle Eastern Dinner for Four

Donated by Yoel Furman and Nanette Chadwick

We will begin with a selection of olives and finger foods, served with your choice of wine or beer. This will be followed by an array of salads including Moroccan carrot, Babaganoush (eggplant salad), cucumber and tomato in lemon juice and olive oil, grilled kabobs, humus, tehina sauce, rice and pita bread. We will finish with dessert of baklava or similar middle eastern treat, served with fresh mint tea or coffee. We will leave you feeling like you just visited Jerusalem!



7 Private 30-Minute Henna Session

Donated by Ayesha Alam

3 available.

Always been curious about natural henna, but never gave it a go? Addicted to the magic of henna, and just can't get enough?

Want to test drive a new tattoo in a temporary form? Gift a special person in your life with a unique evening. Celebrate a pregnant belly, a bald head, a newly toned body just in time for the holidays.

Whatever your level of experience with or exposure to henna may be, this 30-minute session can be tailored to meet your needs. Artist brings 15 years of experience with this ancient, natural art form and uses natural, organic henna. Pamper yourself with a relaxing session at a location of your choice.

The Henna Session is sponsored by Emily & Peter Livant. Emily & Peter will match the first \$100 of your winning bid on this item.

Any gender. Ages 6+ ONLY. Can be gifted. Will travel up to 15 miles of my home in Auburn, AL. Any known allergies / skin conditions must be declared before service. Will decorate any body part that may be legally exposed at a public U.S. beach. Expires December 1, 2018.



8 Carved Wood Ganesha

Donated by Teresa Rodriguez

Chubby, gentle, and wise, Ganesha is one of Hinduism's most popular deities. Believed to be the remover of obstacles, let Ganesha clear your path so that you can successfully bid on this intricately hand carved statue imported from Bali.



9 One 60-Minute Massage

Donated by Conar Rochford

2 available.

Whether you have tight muscles from stress, over-exercising, or too many hours at the computer, a good massage can lessen pain, increase flexibility, and generally make you feel better. Licensed massage therapist, Conar Rochford, has much professional experience in massage ranging from reiki, to craniosacral therapy, to neuromuscular. He is offering a 60-minute in-home massage to help ease your tight muscles and generally elevate your mood. So go ahead. Raise your bid card and treat yourself to an hour of pure delight.



10 BIG! Selection of Local Jams and Jellies

Donated by Greg Schmidt

2017 has been a banner year for Greg Schmidt and his jelly/jam making hobby. The kudzu blossoms were in abundance! Good friends offered up varieties of muscadines, cooking pears, figs, and blueberries. Hot pepper jellies even made it onto the roster! As of this auction submission deadline, Greg even successfully scouted the last local fruit of the season: prickly pear cactus! This auction item is a selection of everything Greg has made in 2017. Impress your yankee friends by showing them that kudzu has a silver lining. Ignite your palate with hot pepper jellies. Make biscuits jammin' great again!

This item is sponsored by Darrell Crutchley. Darrell will match the first \$100 of your winning bid on this item.



11 Mugs of the Month for 6 months

Donated by Amy Kaiser

Your well-spent successful bid on this item will entitle you to six months of two beautifully hand-crafted ceramic mugs a month for a total of 12 mugs. Your mug subscription will start tonight with the two seasonal mugs on display, along with a bag of in-house roasted coffee by the locally owned and operated Ross House Coffee and Roastery. In the coming months you will delight in receiving two matching or related mugs hand crafted by potter Amy, including a "you-pick" month. Each month's offering will be different from the preceding month--Amy is looking forward to experimenting and widening her surface designs and techniques, and your mugs will be the vanguards of new mug ware. Six months, twelve mugs, such a cup of joy!



11 Mugs of the Month for 6 months

Amy's Mugs of the Month is sponsored by Ellen Abell. Ellen will match the first \$120 of your winning bid on this item.

12 Shrimp Boil for Eight

Donated by Tom and Angie Hodges

Some call it Frogmore Stew or Low Country boil. We just think of it as good food shared with great folks. Join the Hodges at their woodsy home in Opelika for an "on the porch" meal of shrimp, sausage, corn, potatoes, onion and special yummy spices. Wash this down with beer, wine and other non-alcoholic choices and save a little room for a sweet dessert to top things off. This is a late Spring (after the pollen has been washed away) or an early Fall event while the weather is comfy on the back porch.



13 "War Head" Woodcut

Donated by Conrad Ross

You spent hours watching the Ken Burn's PBS series covering the Vietnam War. So many of the iconic images from that challenging time brought back a flood of memories of your younger days. Renowned print maker, Conrad Ross, made this reductive linoleum cut, War Head (8 out of 9 printed), at the beginning of the Vietnam War. Take this 9"x12" 4 color, unmatted, unframed art work home with you tonight to add yet another image of that era to your memory banks.



14 Personal Service of Cleaning/Organizing by Billye

Donated by Billye Welburn

3 available.

Cleaning/Organizing

10 hours of work! Billye can make a huge dent in even your biggest messy space! She has a natural eye for arranging spaces efficiently, and a degree in Industrial & Systems Engineering from Auburn University—the discipline of organization and waste reduction. Work may be divided over different days and projects. Haul away of donations, recycling, or trash is included on top of the 10 hours!



There are more Personal Services by Billye in the silent auction (childcare, yard work, and petsitting).

15 Breakfast on the Porch for Two

Donated by Teresa Rodriguez

A quiet neighborhood, a charming screen porch, good company, and tasty breakfast fare---sounds like a perfect way to start the day. And, with a successful bid, this little bit of heaven can be yours. Terry will serve whole-wheat pancakes, thick-sliced bacon, cinnamon-butter apples, OJ and coffee on the porch at her house. Strike up the chorus of chirping birds and bid!



16 Family Sculpture, by Boris Kramer

Donated by Ellen Abell

Boris Kramer is a sculptor who makes art that generates an emotional response through blacksmithing techniques both ancient and modern. His pieces explore the ways we as humans are drawn together. This sculpture, depicting a family of five, stands 32" tall on a 7" square base.



17 Mac and Cheese Casserole Dish Combo

Donated by Amy Kaiser and Ralph Banks

What an amazing duo! Ralph's notoriously good mac and cheese (few make it as good and nobody makes it better) fresh from the oven to your door, delivered in a hand-crafted lidded casserole dish wheel-thrown and embellished by Amy. The casserole dish is finished with Caribbean Sea blue, amber, and black glazes, features a carved central band, and holds a full quart of food. Ralph will take the dish home with him tonight with instructions on when you would like to serve the mac and cheese for dinner prior to New Years. A generous portion for 4 is provided. The casserole dish is dish washer safe, and oven and microwave proof for you to fill again and again with your own culinary creations.



The Mac & Cheese/Dish Combo is sponsored by Ralph Banks. Ralph will make a donation that matches

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the winning bid on this item.

18 South African Vining Onion in Dimpled Triangular Pot

Donated by Robin Russell and Amy Kaiser

Plant Whisperer Robin has carefully nurtured and tended a South African vining onion and planted it in a unique ceramic pot hand-crafted by Amy. The wheel-thrown triangular pot, with matching catch-plate has an Ice Blue Reflection glaze highlighting the dimpling that adds character to the piece. Robin will skillfully provide any guidance and instruction you may need to encourage your vining onion to reach it's full potential and bring enchanting greenery to your home.



19 Computer Consultation

Donated by Shannon Price

Have the precious pages of your great American novel overloaded your computer memory? Or maybe you've worn out a few pieces of software transferring all of Grandma's recipes from yellowing index cards into Word files for your jump drive. Shannon Price offers a computer consultation of your choice - computer repair, reload, clean-up, speed-up or even computer tutoring. All consultations will be delivered with patent-pending combination of patience and empathy. (Please note: This item does not include materials for hardware updates.)



20 Batik Elephant Wall Hanging

Donated by Cindy & Mike Reinke

As someone who confronts all disagreements, issues, and concerns head on, you are the perfect one to purchase this batik elephant wall hanging. What better way to let everybody know that all who enter WILL be addressing the "elephant in the room." This 23" x 33" work by talented textile artist Cindy Reinke is mostly blue featuring a simple and rustic elephant design with a whimsical crown above its head. It can be hung on the wall, on a door, used as a table topper or as decorative throw.



21 House Concert

Donated by Ted McVay

Wow! This is such a wonderful way to entertain friends, family, loved ones, and neighbors. Musical troubadour, Ted McVay, will perform up to 16 original songs in your house, yard, barn, or venue of your choice at a time mutually agreed upon. The songs will be played in two sets, and before, during and afterwards, you and your guests will enjoy hors d'oeuvres and adult beverages (wine and beer) furnished by Ted and his wife Cathy. If you have heard Ted perform around town or at the Fellowship, you know that you will be treating your guests to a delightful evening of beautifully written and rendered songs in the folks tradition. What's more, you can invite as many guests as you have room for! Place your winning bid, and I will leave my contact information so you can invite this catalog writer to the show, too!

The House Concert is sponsored by Terry Rodriguez. Terry will match the first \$100 of your winning bid on this item.



22 Antique Curio Cabinet with Tin Inset

Donated by Sally and Jerry McCreary

Bigger than a bread box but smaller than a pie safe, this antique curio cabinet does have the feel of a pie safe with the bird-and-blossom punched tin inset. Perfect as an accent piece for a small wall space, you will find it to be just the right storage nook with an interior shelf and an exterior display area.



23 2006 Dom Perignon Champagne

Donated by Becki Retzlaff and Shannon Taylor

Just reading the Wine Advocate description of this fine bottle of champagne will make your head spin with the images of the multi-sensory experience that awaits your successful bid: "The 2006 Dom Pérignon comes from a very rich vintage with an early ripeness that brings a lot of aromatic maturity. The white-golden prestige cuvée contains a bit more Chardonnay than Pinot Noir and opens with a deep and seductive, pretty accessible nose with intense yet fresh fruit aromas of pineapples, with peaches and tangerines. Lively and elegant on the palate, this is a full-bodied, unusually aromatic and fruity DP with



23 2006 Dom Perignon Champagne

a long and tension-filled expression."

My, oh, my. . . . you had me at "seductive" and "tension-filled," but sealed the deal with that "accessible nose!"

24 1 Dozen Eggs/Week for a Year!

Donated by Julie Meadows

Anyone who knows Julie Meadows knows that she knows hens. Julie, though, not only knows hens, she loves, cherishes, respects, adores, and dotes on her hens--or, in Julie's vernacular, her "girls." Julie is offering a dozen fresh eggs a week for a year (52 dozen eggs) from her happy hens. The eggs can be delivered to your doorstep on the day of your choosing. These eggs are not only produced by responsibly raised hens, they are also rich in color and absolutely delicious.



Julie's eggs are sponsored by Amy Phillips. Amy will match the first \$200 of your winning bid on this item.

25 Catfish Fry for Ten

Donated by Joe Touchton

Joe and Gina live "out in the country" on the outskirts of Auburn (well, Loachapoka, actually) and Joe does know how to fry up some catfish. The peaceful back-to-nature setting of this amazing meal is enough to warrant high interest in this fried delight. In addition to the catfish, the menu includes appetizers (which has included hot pepper jelly to die for), fried okra, slaw, collard greens, cheesy, grits, dessert, beer, and wine. Can't get more down-home Southern than that, now can we?



26 Three Handmade Cedar Birdhouses

Donated by Ralph Ressler and the RE Youth

3 available.

A pair of your fine-feathered friends will be a-flutter with your successful bid on one of these well-built cedar birdhouses. Each birdhouse has been carefully crafted by Ralph Ressler, and two of them have been artistically decorated and painted by RE children and youth. Find your favorite and be the highest bidder so that you can take a new house home to the lucky birds in your yard.



27 Face Painting for Your Special Event

Donated by Ayesha Alam

Come on. Put on a happy face by purchasing face painting for the event of your choosing. Ayesha, body art hobbyist, will bring color to your gathering by offering 90 minutes of fun designs for any age or gender of guests. Ayesha will travel within 15 miles of her home in Auburn, and asks that you disclose any known allergies or skin conditions prior to her painting at your party. Offer expires December 1, 2018 and cannot be used on federal holidays.



28 River Trip for Up to Five People - All Inclusive!

Donated by Greg Schmidt & Shawn Jacobsen

2 available.

Shawn and Greg love the rivers and creeks of this part of Alabama. They are experienced guides for the Tallapoosa River and the Uphapee Creek (among others). This auction item is for a memorable, all-inclusive trip down one of these waterways. Shawn and Greg will provide boats (canoes and kayaks), gear, beverages, and a simple meal for up to five adventurous souls. Paddling expertise not required. These are fun easy floats, and you don't even have to worry over toting a boat on your vehicle!

The Tallapoosa River from Horseshoe Bend to Jaybird Creek features fun shoals (and beautiful endangered shoals lilies in May!) and great swimming/jumping spots throughout. It is dam controlled, so any warm weekend can work, year round. A classic!

The Uphapee can be floated day or night! Night floats mean abundant wildlife (Greg and Shawn will provide headlamps) and a campfire on one of the many sandbars. The Uphapee is a gentle and easy float through the Tuskegee National Forest. Floatability depends on water level (and the right amount of rain). Close by Auburn and a hidden gem!



29 Home-Cooked Vegan Feast

Donated by Billye Welburn

Have a hot date to wow? Tired of cooking for the family? Want to juggle big sharp chef's knives? Well, maybe not that. But for the rest, bid on Billye! She'll fix dinner for 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, even non Fibonacci numbers of people! Shopping, serving, and cleanup are included (or optional if you want to take the credit). Billye specializes in plant based cooking that even the pickiest, meat-eating-est folks will enjoy. If you've wanted to learn how delicious and indulgent vegan can be, this is the dinner for you!



30 Stained Glass Art

Donated by Mary Jo Howard

Deborah Strawn, one of the South's leading stained-glass experts, is a largely self-taught artist. Deborah comments:

"I learned the basics, made some works and started entering shows. Then I won a few awards, and thought I needed to learn more. So I studied at the Penland School of Crafts in North Carolina and the Pilchuck Glass School in Seattle."

In addition to making small pieces the size of a photo slide, Deborah also makes church windows like the one created for AUUF that grace the back of the our sanctuary. This 3x2' work, up for auction, features doves in the style of these very windows. This piece is without a frame or hooks for hanging.



31 An Authentic Bangladeshi Dinner for Four

Donated by Ayesha Alam

Allow your senses to embark on an exotic adventure to the heart of South Asia, to Bangladesh—the land of unparalleled hospitality, thousand mosques, gorgeous rivers, lush green rice paddies and fragrant spices. This simple yet delicious home-cooked dinner, rich with the healing, restorative and antioxidant properties of turmeric, cumin, coriander, paprika, bay leaves, cinnamon and cloves, can be tailored to any dietary preference and spice level of your choice. Pescatarian and vegetarian options available. Delivered to your home* on a weekend of your choice.



Sample menu:

Moogir jhol (Chicken curry)
Shobjee (Seasonal vegetables)
Daal (Lentils)
Baashmoti chaaler bhaat (Basmati rice)
Porota / Rooti (Fried or plain bread)
Mishtee (Sweet dessert)

This Item is sponsored by Sharon Roberts. Sharon will match the first \$100 of your winning bid on this item.

*Will deliver within 15 miles of my home in Auburn, AL. Please coordinate dates with chef to guarantee excellent quality and service. Take out available. Not valid December 24-26, 2017. Expires December 1, 2018.

32 Wood-Covered Book of Drink Mixes, "Here's How" (1941)

Donated by Ralph & Connie Ressler

An unusual piece of vintage American Cocktail History, circa 1941, the drink mixer recipe book, "Here's How," is sandwiched between two pieces of wood, bound with a strip of leather. This mixology book is packed with long-forgotten drink recipes such as "The Scarlett O'Hara" and "The Rhett Butler." Once touted as a "must-have" for every serious Host/Hostess and well-tended public bar, this book will raise your next cocktail party to a new level.



33 Brazilian Seafood Dinner for Six

Donated by John and Marianne Jensen

The Northeast region of Brazil is known for its culture, cuisine, and distinctive natural features. The sunniest of Brazil's regions, the area boasts of sand dunes, flat-topped mountains, islands, volcanic archipelagos--and the fact that John Jensen lived there for many years honing his cooking skills to



33 **Brazilian Seafood Dinner for Six**

mastery levels. He is not only a talented chef but also a most entertaining host, along with his wife Marianne. Enjoy a typical Northeast Brazilian meal for six at the Jensen home with a menu that includes Salada de Covert (salad), Sopada de Mariscos (seafood soup), Peixe recheado (stuffed fish) and Pudim de leite condensado (flan)---and, clearly, a smattering of Portuguese thrown in for good measure!

34 **Home-Baked Whole Wheat Bread at Unpredictable Intervals, Plus Surprises, Maybe**

Donated by Peter Livant

It's the bread we eat at the Livant house day in and day out. It is 100% whole wheat, kind of dense, chewy. It's not glitzy, but we like it. The recipe is right out of the Tassajara Bread Book, so apparently Buddhists like it too. I make a batch of four loaves every 4 – 6 weeks, and I'll give you one of the four every time I make the bread. I think I can guarantee 8 deliveries over the course of a year, but chances are good you'll get more; twelve is not out of the question. Even snazzier bread could appear willy-nilly, as the spirit moves me.



This Item is sponsored by Sharon Roberts. Sharon will match the first \$100 of your winning bid on this item.

35 **Fine Art - Highest Bidder's Choice**

Donated by Teresa Rodriguez

2 available.

The artist, Teresa Rodriguez, offers three original pieces:

Love In Bloom, 2006, Pastel

Edge of Space, 2012, Mixed media

Still Life in the Park, 2016, Photograph

The highest bidder wins first choice. Second and third choices may be had for the same price.



36 **2 Hours of Chainsaw Yard Maintenance**

Donated by Fleming Blackburn

2 available.

You've done all the weeding, brush-clearing, mowing, and raking you can do, but your yard still needs improvements. What you really need is someone with a heavy-duty tool and the skills to handle it.

Fleming will come to your home and provide two hours of yard work that requires the use of a chainsaw. Ah! Just the tool you had in mind. He can remove small trees, shrubs, hedges or dead limbs.

Some tree size and height limitations apply (nothing higher than a step ladder's height), but that's exactly what you had in mind!



37 **Dinner for Six by Gina**

Donated by Gina Touchton

In addition to being a talented artist who creates fanciful painted gourds and member of the local artists' group Art Pi, Gina is also an immensely talented cook. Surrounded by art in a country setting, Gina will host you and five guests at her house to feast on herbed tomato tart, iceberg salad with blue cheese dressing, Cajun bouillabaisse, coconut chess pie, wine and beer. Truly a delightful evening for all of your senses.



38 **South African Vining Onion in Square Turquoise Pot**

Donated by Robin Russell and Amy Kaiser

Plant Whisperer Robin has carefully nurtured and tended a South African vining onion and planted it in a unique ceramic pot hand-crafted by Amy. The hand-built pot, with matching catch-plate, has a blue carved design in the white clay surrounded by a light turquoise glaze. Robin will skillfully provide any guidance and instruction you may need to encourage your vining onion to reach it's full potential and bring enchanting greenery to your home.



39 **Le Disque #1**

Donated by Julia Kjelgaard

In print artist Julia Kjelgaard's own words, "My work has always been about learning to see and appreciate the unseen: meaning both the mental concepts and ideas that inspire and engage us, and the



39 **Le Disque #1**

inner emotions and processes that characterize our minds. It is this interaction or negotiation between the heart or felt and the mind or known, which interests me the most." In "Le Disque #1," circles float over a scrapbook mosaic evoking both memories and future possibilities. Image size 8 x 8, if framed 11 x 11.

40 **8 Hours of Babysitting Services**

Donated by Amy Phillips

Amy Phillips, with a background in counselling, motherhood, and teaching RE, is offering her talents and skills in tending your youngsters. Amy states, "I will lovingly care for your wee tots for a total of 8 hours in any increments you need. I can come to your home or you can bring your children to the small town of Waverly for a day in the country, your choice." Amy will need at least one week's notice, especially if you need her on a weeknight.



This item is sponsored by Terry Rodriguez. Terry will match the first \$50 of your winning bid on this item.

41 **Dinner for Eight at Ursula's Dining Room Table**

Donated by Ursula Higgins

If you have attended any catered event in Auburn, then you are likely to have enjoyed delectable food offerings prepared by Ursula Higgins. Ursula, the founder of The Greenhouse Restaurant, Ursula's Catering, and Ursula's Kitchen cooking school, will coordinate the time and food preferences with you. Then you and seven guests will gather at Ursula's house and feast on sumptuously prepared food at her dining room table. Go ahead. Pinch yourself. Yes, this is real. Now, bid.



42 **African Couple Wall Hanging**

Donated by Cindy & Mike Reinke

Expert textile artist Cindy Reinke has repurposed a past AUUF auction purchase by finishing it into a usable decorative piece. This 21" x 36" fabric piece features a Masai couple in traditional Masai garb, and is quilted by Cindy with an added border. It can be hung on the wall, on a door, used as a table topper or as a decorative throw.



43 **Chicago-Style Deep Dish Pizza for Eight**

Donated by Ralph & Carolyn Levy

Mmmmm---anyone who has lived, worked, or traveled to the Windy City has missed partaking of a cultural icon if they have not devoured a Chicago Deep-Dish Pizza. More like a pie than the typical flat-bread pizza, Chicago-style pizzas are assembled up-side down (cheese first) to prevent the cheese from burning during the longer cooking time necessary to bake this high-sided delight. Ralph and Carolyn are offering not one, not two, but THREE deep-dish pizzas plus a charcuterie plate, beer, wine, soft drinks, anti-pasta salad, and vanilla ice cream with fresh strawberries macerated in sugar and sabra liqueur. Also, they are offering to feed you (and seven guests) at their house! What an opportunity! Bid now!



44 **Macho Men Work Party**

Donated by Peter Livant

2 available.

Eight-And-a-Half Great Reasons to Bid On the Macho Men Work Party



1) You are insane. 2) Common sense is not your strong suit. 3) The wine tonight is messing with your head. (Pace yourself!) 4) OK! OK! You're sane, sensible, and sober, BUT... you have a weird kinky Thing for old guys leaning on shovels. 5) You enjoy cooking, and you look forward to making The Machos an exquisite gourmet feast at the end of their labors (we are construing the word "labors" quite loosely). 6) You had the Men of La Macho out to your house last year and you want them to come back and fix the stuff they screwed up then. 7) You believe in miracles. 8) You have a bet with a friend on how many donuts and how many gallons of coffee UU men can eat and drink in four hours and still have room for the aforementioned exquisite gourmet feast (see reason 5). 8.5) You are writing a dissertation on "Non-Migrant Non-Workers in the Modern American South: Psychosocial-Religious

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Roots of Laziness as an Art Form.”

Pick a reason and bid, bid, bid!!!

Should you have the winning bid tonight, here are some things to know: a) We don't work in December (i.e. we don't even try to work in December). b) Allow 4 – 6 weeks to set up a date. Macho Men lead complex lives, a lot like stray (feral?) cats; it takes awhile to round us up. c) We work either 8 am – noon or 1 pm – 5 pm, typically on a Saturday. d) We supply the donuts. You supply the coffee and the exquisite gourmet feast. e) The exquisite gourmet feast is, technically, optional, but it is a charming tradition the continuation of which we highly encourage. f) You supply the required construction materials, and we all (you and us) collaborate on supplying the tools. We have lots of tools. It's part of being macho, right? g) All our work is guaranteed for 30 days or until we leave the job site, whichever comes first.

The Macho Men Work Party is sponsored by Carl Hudson and Jennie Raymond. Carl and Jennie will match the first \$400 of your winning bid on this item.

45 **New Orleans Dinner**

Donated by Pop and Jey Koehler

Pop and Jey are Louisiana natives, so they know their way around some Cajun food! Dinner for 6 will include Manale's-style barbecue shrimp using jumbo Gulf shrimp, spinach Madeleine, crusty french bread shipped in from New Orleans, and Pop's famous bread pudding with spiced rum sauce. We'll make you a Sazerac or a Pimm's cup too! This meal is practically guaranteed to clog at least one artery and add one inch to your waistline. And you know what? Totally worth it.



46 **Sundilla Season Tickets for Two**

Donated by Sundilla Concert Series

This wonderful auction donation from the Sundilla Concert Series folks is a pair of tickets to each of the Sundilla concerts to be held here at AUUF in 2018. Fourteen concerts are planned, although that number is subject to change, and include Dan Navarro, Runa, Trout Fishing in America, Dan Frechette, Mean Mary, and Ordinary Elephant. Shows are usually performed on Thursday or Friday evenings and offer the best musicians on the folk music scene. Sundilla is definitely an outstanding opportunity to hear first class music right here in Auburn!



47 **Northern Italian Dinner for Six**

Donated by Marcia Rossi & Larry Moore

Ah. Northern Italy. Padua . . . Verona . . . Milan . . . Venice . . . Auburn. Auburn?

Yes, Auburn! The tastes and convivial dining of Northern Italy can be yours right here in Auburn with a successful bid on Marcia and Larry's Northern Italian dinner. Drawing on both family ancestry and past travels, Marcia and Larry will host you and 5 friends at their home with a menu, presented in true Italian style, consisting of Italian antipasto, Insalata caprese, Asparagus risotto, Chicken scaloppine with lemons and capers, Sauteed spinach and zucchini, Cappuccino, and a surprise dessert. Italian wines will complement dinner. Buon appetito!



48 **Sermon of your choice**

Donated by Rev. Pam Gehrke

Our Minister, Rev. Pam Gehrke, revives a long (and unique!) tradition at AUUF by offering this item. Should you be the successful bidder, you will provide a sermon topic to Pam. Together you and Pam will meet and explore the topic. A sermon will result, which will be delivered by Pam to the congregation at a Sunday service before the end of June. In the past, the “Auction Sermon” has been stunning more often than not. With your help, that wonderful AUUF tradition will live on.



49 **Read Beans and Rice**

Donated by Pop and Jey Koehler

Silent Auction Catalog

101 Framed Indian Print

Square frame about 16"



102 Square Rattan Table

Donated by Camilla Herschel

The table is about 30" tall and about 2 foot square. Light weight and easy to move, yet stable.



103 Two Vintage Children's Chairs

Donated by anonymous

Sturdy vintage children's chairs.



104 Botanical Notecards Set 1

Donated by Brandy Smith

Unique notecards: one-of-a-kind butterfly or flower photo on the front of a brightly colored notecard with envelopes included. 10 notecards in the set. Adds that special touch when letting someone know you're thinking of them.



105 Group of Four Floral Watercolors

Donated by Christine Schnittka

These are hand painted and matted, by Christine Schnittka



106 Incense Burner

Very large brass incense burner.



107 Ceramic Container with Fern-Leaf Impressions

Donated by Camilla Herschel

Fern-leaf impressions surround this rectangular-ish container with a lid. Who knows what you may hide away in this container?



108 Flowers Photograph, Framed

Donated by Sally and Jerry McCreary

Photograph by Susan Ledbetter matted in a pretty frame.



109 Two Irish Ceramic Mini-Mugs with Handles

Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber

Green glaze with hints of blue; 3" tall. Perfect for Irish Cream! What a great holiday gift!



110 Round Glass Paperweight

Donated by Camilla Herschel

Add a little sparkle to your desk with this globe-like, blue glass weight for your papers. Or just have it as eye candy to enjoy, in case you have gone all digital.



111 Marine-Life Themed Earrings, Set #1

Donated by Aryana Pratt

3-pair of Handmade by Aryana, age 8.

Aryana is starting out on her jewelry-making ventures by assembling simple pieces that have special meaning to her. Aryana is fascinated by the ocean, and wants to become a Marine Biologist one day. This is Part 1 of her marine-life collection.



112 Chinese Paper Cuts

Donated by Conrad Ross

2 matching eagle paper cuts, gray and black, 7"x5" unmatted unframed.



113 Four Coffee Mugs and a Creamer

Donated by Eddie Peek

Set of white ceramic coffee mugs and matching creamer.



114 Lawn Mowing / Yard Work (One Hour)

Donated by Jason Pratt

They say he's been working out, so let's put those muscles to the test!

Charming Southern Scientist comes with his own gear to mow, weed and/or manicure your yard, and regale you with his quick wit and potpourri of useless facts.* Giftable / transferrable. Reasonable extentions can be negotiated with good beer.



115 Scandinavian Woven Fabric Stars

Donated by Ellen Abell

A set of three hand-crafted, winter-themed ornaments made from Ellen's fabric stash.



116 Yellow Blown-Glass Bud Vase

Donated by Pam Meske



117 Two Sisal Baskets

Donated by Kirk Iversen

Two sisal baskets from the Kingdom of Swaziland



118 Fancy Pen

Donated by Becki Retzlaff and Shannon Taylor

Fancy pen with a case and booklet.



119 Chinese Woodcut, 9"x12"

Donated by Conrad Ross

Qing dynasty woodcut 4 colors



120 Fitness Ball in Original Package

Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber

Anti-burst fitness ball, inflates to 65 cm. Use it in your home to tone those muscles!



121 Cortona Poster for an Exhibit by Conrad Ross

Donated by Conrad Ross

24"x17" poster advertising watercolors done in Cortona, Italy in 1984



122 Vintage Art Deco Pin

Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber

This unusual (Bakelite?) piece dates from the 1940s. Its center is composed of pastel colored flowers surrounded by a cream colored petal border. 2.5" in diameter.



123 Botanical Notecards Set 2

Donated by Brandy Smith

Unique notecards: one-of-a-kind butterfly or flower photo on the front of a brightly colored notecard



123 Botanical Notecards Set 2
with envelopes included. 10 notecards in the set. Adds that special touch when letting someone know you're thinking of them.

124 Gourd
Donated by Kirk Iversen
Gourd from the Kingdom of Swaziland



125 Latin American Silver Button Covers
Donated by Ralph & Connie Ressler
14 silver button covers, each with a different design.



126 Mini-dress Form Necklace Holder
Donated by Camilla Herschel
Hold your necklaces in style with this form to display them.



127 Pair of Vintage Alabaster (Perhaps?) Owls
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
4" tall; white with orange glass eyes. In ancient Greek mythology, the goddess Athena kept an owl on her shoulder that revealed truths to her and represented wisdom and knowledge. So put these wise companions on your bookshelf!



128 Vintage English Bone China Cup and Saucer, by Royal Albert
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
Beautiful pink rose pattern against light green field. Enjoy a calming cup of tea!



129 Set of Candleholders
Donated by Diana Eidson
A pair of unusual iron and glass candleholders. I have included pillar candles, but the shape of the holder is also suitable for ball-shaped candles.



130 Wood Carving - Two Birds
Donated by Teresa Rodriguez
9" x 4" x 2 1/2", from Bali, signed



131 Sari Wrap
Donated by Joanna Hoit
Sari wrap purchased from Indian Market in Toronto (1997)



132 Blue Beaded Purse
Donated by Yoel Furman and Nanette Chadwick
Small blue beaded purse. Holds just enough for an evening out.



133 Watercolor, Rose
Donated by Christine Schnittka
Hand painted and matted by Christine Schnittka.



134 Antique Mirror
Donated by Sally and Jerry McCreary
Perk up a hallway or a dresser with this framed mirror, part of an antique collection from Vermont.



- 135 Carved Wood African Mask**
Donated by Teresa Rodriguez
Imported, carved and painted wood with hanger. 40" x 9"



- 136 Fabric Mini-Wallets**
Donated by Ellen Abell
A set of four machine-stitched wallets, each with two pockets inside. Use as "gift-wrap" for gift cards, cash, and/or charming notes of a sentimental nature.



- 137 Botanical Watercolor, by Charlotte Nesmith Brady**
Donated by Ellen Abell
Nasturtiums. Signed by the artist (<http://charlottenesmithbrady.com/>). 19.5" x 23.5" framed.



- 139 Bust of a Woman and Child**
Stands about 9" tall.



- 140 Small Shoulder Purse**
Donated by Yoel Furman and Nanette Chadwick
This small purse has a Chinese jacquard pattern. Can hold the essentials for an evening out.



- 141 Wooden "Discovery" Box**
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
The "imaginarium" measures 12" x 18". It opens to reveal various shelves and drawers for jewelry, knick-knacks, and other small what-nots and treasures. May be displayed open or closed.



- 142 Tree of Life Pendant**
Donated by Claire Lending
Metal "tree of life" pendant on a chain.



- 143 Floral Ceramic Dish**
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
This striking oval ceramic is meant for hanging; it is made in the Carolina's in the salt-marsh method, which involves placing wet clay over smooth stones on which flowers have been placed. After firing, the indented images of flowers are painted by hand. Measurements: 7.5" x 10.5".



- 144 Clear Crystal Bell with Choirboy Image on Handle**
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
Produces a lovely tinkling sound. Call them to the table with this gem!



- 145 Vintage Cookie Tin (1930s)**
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
8" in diameter, this cookie tin is in excellent shape; the shimmering finish features an idyllic European townscape with a bridge over a calm river.



- 146 Tall Wood Vase**
Donated by Camilla Herschel
This vase holds no water, but is just perfect for a display of dried or silk flowers.



- 147 Punch Bowl and 12 Cups**
Donated by Yoel Furman and Nanette Chadwick
This punch bowl comes with 12 cups and hooks to hang them around the punch bowl. Great for parties.



148 Large Twined Red and Green Basket

Donated by Camilla Herschel

This fair-trade basket from Ghana is great for toting a wide variety of items.



149 Original Oil Painting, by Lula

Donated by Ellen Abell

Original oil painting of a patch of red and white poppies. 16" x 20" framed.



150 Framed Engraving Portrait of Michelangelo

Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber

"Engraved by A. Francois from the portrait by the artist." Have an image of the great master in your home. Engraving measures size ; frame measures 12" x 15".



151 Mohair Tapestry

Donated by Kirk Iversen

Woven tapestry from the Kingdom of Lesotho.



152 Original Framed Faculty Artwork from Fieldworks Gallery, #2

Donated by Diana Eidson

The subject of this framed print, bathroom fixtures, is perfect for decorating a bathroom wall. The collage is blue and white with black lines, and the frame is gold-toned.



153 Original Framed Faculty Artwork from Fieldworks Gallery, #1

Donated by Diana Eidson

The subject of this framed print, bathroom fixtures, is perfect for decorating a bathroom wall. The collage is blue and white with black lines, and the frame is gold-toned.



154 Watercolor, Fireball

Donated by Christine Schnittka

Hand painted and matted by Christine Schnittka.



155 Newsweek-April 1968

Donated by Jerry and Sally McCreary

Issue published April 15, 1968, just after the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.



156 Chalice Pendant

Donated by Claire Lending

Pendant of a chalice made of fused glass on a silk string.



157 Handmade Pottery Bowl

Donated by Marcia Rossi

Beautiful, large blue bowl from a local expert potter.



158 Chinese (Tunic) Shirt with Jacquard Pattern Medalions

Donated by Judy Calkins

This was purchased in China as a gift (woman's size 8-10). Has never been worn (tried on but not worn).



159 Mola from San Blas Islands, Panama

Donated by Judy Calkins

Approximately 14" X 12". Fish theme on burgundy red background. Purchased on trip to Panama.



- 160 Vintage Japanese Papier-Mache' Tray**
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
Hand-painted with floral and curvilinear designs. Typical Japanese interpretation of Italian Renaissance style. Measures approximately 12" x 18".



- 161 Metal Man Band Sculpture**
Donated by Laura Kloberg
Sculpture of drummer, sax player, and guitarist all crafted from metal (nails, machine parts, etc.)



- 162 Rice Container**
Donated by Camilla Herschel
Lovely Japanese rice container with a rope handle and blue and white designs.



- 163 "The Kyrgyz" by K. Imanaliev**
Donated by Becki Retzlaff and Shannon Taylor
This book, from Kirgystan, is all about the country. It has beautiful pictures and comes in a box. Contains songs, recipes, beliefs, and traditions. It is in English. Given to me by somebody from Kirgystan. Also included is a fancy pen in a box from Kirgystan.



- 164 Lladro Porcelain Figurine**
Donated by Lu Stand
Porcelain figurine of peasant girl holding a white bird standing next to a turkey. Made in Spain. If you are a collector of Lladro porcelain this one is copyright Daise 1979.



- 165 Marine-Life Themed Earrings, Set #2**
Donated by Aryana Pratt
2 pair of Handmade by Aryana, age 8. Aryana is starting out on her jewelry-making ventures by assembling simple pieces that have special meaning to her. Aryana is fascinated by the ocean, and wants to become a Marine Biologist one day. This is Part 2 of her marine life collection.



- 166 Hand-Embroidered Peacock (Framed and Matted)**
Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber
Modern in style; red embroidery on cream-colored linen. The delicately hand-embroidered peacock image measures 3" x 4" ; the red frame measures 5.5" x 7.5".



- 167 Poetry Works—Obra poética de Juan de Moncayo (2 vols.)**
Donated by Ted McVay
Obra poética de Juan de Moncayo (2 vols.) A modern edition of the poetry of seventeenth-century Spanish writer Juan de Moncayo y Gurrea. (In Spanish.) Author will sign the book for the highest bidder.



- 168 Nine-Image Photo Display**
Donated by Laura Kloberg
Triangular round image display for 9 of your favorite photos.



- 169 Blue and Silver Earrings**
Donated by Claire Lending
Blue stone set in a silver setting, looking like elongated raindrops.



- 170 Dog-Walking by Aryana (Age 8)**
Donated by Aryana Pratt
The ever-smiling, kind, and friendly Aryana Noor will come walk your canine baby (20 lbs or less) for 15 minutes.



170 Dog-Walking by Aryana (Age 8)

Poop pickup and supervision during walk provided by Parent Alam-Pratt.

171 Live Maple Seedling

Donated by Louise Katainen and Larry Gerber

Raised with care from a seed that fell from my son's maples; perfect for transplanting.



172 Yard Work by Billye (2 hours)

Donated by Billye Welburn

Lawn need mowing? Hedges need trimming? Has a tree chosen you as their mortal enemy? You don't want to waste your day dealing with that- so bid on Billye! She'll take care of all your outdoor needs on a day of your choosing. A free tip for bidders- choose a day that stays below 80 degrees Fahrenheit! She's still got some Damn Yankee blood in her veins. No cold weather restrictions!



173 Pet Sitting by Billye

Donated by Billye Welburn

Need someone to watch your furry (or scaly) friend while you're away? Billye is comfortable with all species and sizes. The higher the final price, the more hours of pet care you get!



174 Childcare by Billye (up to 8 hours)

Donated by Billye Welburn

For up to 8 hours, Billye will supervise any number of children! Seriously, any number- call your friends with kids and plan a night out! She can help with transportation, and will provide snacks, drinks, and one meal.

