



Tree of Life

Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Dream
Big!

**Annual Auction
and Raffle**

November 10, 2018

Auction Procedure

All bidders must register and obtain a bid paddle upon entering. You can't bid without a bid paddle.

SILENT AUCTION

Bid on any item by writing the amount of your bid and your bid paddle number on the Silent Auction Bid Sheet next to the item on which you are bidding. Check your bid frequently, as someone may have bid a higher amount. You can increase your bid at any time until the Silent Auction ends at 8:15.

LIVE AUCTION

Bid on any item you want by raising your bid paddle at any point in the auction. When the auctioneer recognizes you, your bid is entered. The auction ends when no further bids are forthcoming and the auctioneer says "SOLD." If you are the high bidder, you win the item.

RESERVE ITEMS

Items with a "RESERVE" will not be sold for less than that price.

PAYING FOR YOUR ITEMS

At the end of the auction, pay at the cashiers' table. You may pay with cash, check, or credit card (VISA/MC). The cashiers will give you an itemized receipt which will enable you to check the accuracy of your reported purchases.

Schedule of Events

November 10, 2018

6:00 Doors Open

- Register and receive bid paddle
- Enjoy beverages and hors d'oeuvres
- Silent auction begins
- Rebecca Heisler plays "Mood Music" in the live auction room
- Child Care available
- 50/50 raffle
- Stewardship raffle ongoing

7:00 Live Auction Begins

8:00 Break

- Refresh your drinks
- Desserts served
- Continue shopping at Silent Auction and Raffles

8:15 Silent Auction Ends; Live Auction Resumes

- Bid sheets collected
- Frothy Boys sing
- Drawing for 50/50 Raffle

9:30 Auction Concludes

- Drawings for 5 raffle prizes

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

Silent Auction – Food/Drink

101 Ran Man Wine

One bottle of **wonderful** Pinot Noir direct from the cellars of TOLUUC's own Randy Meyer.

Donation: Randy Meyer

Value: \$10.00 per bottle

Opening Bid: \$8.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

102 Ran Man Wine

One more bottle of **wonderful** Pinot Noir direct from the cellars of TOLUUC's own Randy Meyer.

Donation: Randy Meyer

Value: \$10.00 per bottle

Opening Bid: \$8.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

103 Ran Man Wine

One bottle of **wonderful** Lodi Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon direct from the cellars of TOLUUC's own Randy Meyer.

Donation: Randy Meyer

Value: \$10.00 per bottle

Opening Bid: \$8.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

104 Ran Man Wine

One bottle of **wonderful** Lodi Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon direct from the cellars of TOLUUC's own Randy Meyer.

Donation: Randy Meyer

Value: \$10.00 per bottle

Opening Bid: \$8.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

105 Irish Country Cream with Glasses

A sit-by-the-roaring-fire kind of mellow liqueur to share with family or friends

Donation: Judy Ayres

Value: \$35.00

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

106 Home-Made Mince Pie

9" Holiday "no-meat" mince pie with hard sauce topping

Donation: Sandra Bartholmey

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$10.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

107 Coca Cola Party Tub

A tub full of delights for the home version of "dinner and a movie" for the younger set. Pizza, Pop, Candy, Popcorn – does it get any better?

Donation: Mary Robinson/Mike Stough

Value: \$75.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

108 Nick's Pizza & Pub

A Crystal Lake favorite! Large pizza, individual pizza, appetizer, and Sinn-a-bits for Dessert! YUMMO!

Donation: Nick's Pizza

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

109 Elmer T. Lee Straight Bourbon Whiskey

A multiple award-winning sour mash that retails up to \$250 a bottle.. "A great bourbon at a great price."

Donation: Beth Hoover/Tom Steffens

Value: \$175.00 RESERVE: \$100.00

Opening Bid: \$75.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

110 Benziger Wine

A great wine from a bio-dynamic vineyard in Sonoma Valley. Sustainable and organic, the vineyards are tilled by sheep who walk between the rows. No chemicals are used.

Donation: Rebecca Heisler

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase \$5.00

111 Homemade Caramels

From the kitchen of Karen Meyer: Vanilla Caramels with **Adriatic** Sea Salt. Packaged with love!

Donation: Karen Meyer

Value: \$20.00

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

112 Homemade Caramels

From the kitchen of Karen Meyer: Vanilla Caramels with **Icelandic** Sea Salt. Packaged with love!

Donation: Karen Meyer

Value: \$20.00

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

Silent Auction – Goods/Services

113 Table Runner

Beautiful 13”X 60” runner that will dress up any table for the holidays!

Donation: Judy Ayres

Value: Priceless

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

114 Wall Sconce

Elektrus Art LED Sconce featuring wireless remote, multicolor LED display set into birch plywood furnished with a multi-tone stain.

Donation: Jeff Spitzza

Value: \$130.00

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

115 Western Red Cedar Bird Feeder

Beautiful hand-made feeder that will keep our feathered friends returning

Donation: George/Judy Sowinski

Value: \$100.00

Opening Bid: \$40.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

116 “At Your Service”

For one day, errands, cleaning, meals, child-sitting, etc. all done for you! Maximum of six hours; negotiable time

Donation: Lisa Campagnolo

Value: \$70.00+

Opening Bid: \$40.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

117 Photo Retouching/Restoration

Want that special photo to come alive again? Rebecca Colon will work her magic in retouching and restoring.

Donation: Rebecca Colon

Value: \$40-80

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

118 "The Gift"

Woodcut print on Japanese rice paper 4 ¼ X 6 ½ inches. Framed and matted in 9X11 frame.

Donation: Bill Stone

Value: \$120.00 RESERVE: \$50

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

119 Photography Portrait Package

One hour shoot of family, engagement, senior, etc. Time frame: 12/21/18 – 1/6/19 or scheduled with Emma's availability.

Donation: Emma Frances Stough

Value: \$125.00

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

120 S'mittens

Wool and wool blend mittens made from reclaimed sweaters.

The fleece lining will keep your hands warm in the coldest

weather. The perfect Christmas gift! **Each pair of mittens will**

have a letter of the alphabet following the number 120. Bid on each pair of mittens separately.

Donation: Carol Alfus

Value: \$40.00 per pair RESERVE: \$25.00 per pair

Opening Bid: \$30.00 per pair Bid Increase: \$5.00

121 Seeds for Growth

Basket of 15 different prairie seeds suitable for a sunny location

Donation: Kathe and Ders Anderson

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

122 Face Cord Firewood

Face cord of split seasoned hardwood delivered to your door.

Donation: Randy Rapp

Value: \$60.00

Opening Bid: \$30.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

123 Vintage Fringe Jacket

Perfect for that nostalgic baby boomer! Mint condition from 1968. Suede leather

Donation: Ray Beth

Value: \$ Priceless!

Opening Bid: \$40.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

124 Manicure/Pedicure

Let Studio 10's expert technicians in Woodstock pamper you with a mani/pedi combo that includes tip.

Donation: Sue and Kaz Kazluskyy

Value: \$90.00

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

125 Purse

LARGE canvas Ruyihuang purse, suitable to hold many, many of your necessities or a medium-sized canine!

Donation: Sue Kazluskyy Value: \$40+

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

126 Blown Glass Pumpkin

Beautiful blown glass pumpkin from Material Things on the Woodstock Square

Donation: Ken West of Material Things

Value: \$70

Opening Bid: \$35.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

127 Fused Glass Tree of Life

Exquisite hand-made fused glass Tree of Life bowl

Donation: Marcia Johnson

Value: \$75+

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

128 Fused Glass Tree of Life

Exquisite hand-made fused glass Tree of Life bowl

Donation: Kim Brix

Value: \$75+

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

129 Meryl Streep Package

Get Meryl Streep's hard cover biography *Meryl Streep: Anatomy of an Actor* along with the DVD *Mamma Mia 2*

Donation: Sue and Kaz Kazluskyy

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

130 Necklace

Gemstone Tree of Life Necklace – beautiful!

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$16.00

Opening Bid: \$10.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

Cards/Baskets/Events/Late Entries

131 Basket of Poetic Inspiration

6 poets from TOLUUC combine books, writing materials and associated edible delights to stimulate your creative juices.

Donation: Tree of Life Poets

Value: \$100.00

Opening Bid: \$50.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

132 Concert and Dinner

Two tickets to the Illinois Community Orchestra of the Year. Hear The Symphony of Oak Park on either 11/11, 1/27, 3/17 or 5/12 **and stay** for dinner and drinks afterward with members of the orchestra.

Donation: Beth Hoover/Tom Steffens

Value: \$130.00

Opening Bid: \$60.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

133 Countryside Gift Certificate

\$30 gift certificate to Countryside Flower Shop, Nursery and Garden Center

Donation: Countryside

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

134 Applebee's Gift Pack

2 Applebee's beverage cups, coupon for \$5 off a purchase of \$25 or more (expires 12/31/18), and 2 coupons for a free kids' meal from the kids' menu. Good at McHenry location only.

Donation: McHenry Applebee's

Value: \$20.00

Opening Bid: \$10.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

135 Applebee's Gift Pack

2 Applebee's beverage cups, coupon for \$5 off a purchase of \$25 or more (expires 12/31/18), and 2 coupons for a free kids' meal from the kids' menu. Good at McHenry location only.

Donation: McHenry Applebee's

Value: \$20.00

Opening Bid: \$10.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

136 Hair Products

A basket of fine hair products

Donation: Sue and Kaz Kazlusky

Value: \$70.00

Opening Bid: \$30.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

137 Basket of Products from The Elegant Farmer

This company based in Mukwanago, WI, is home of the famous "Apple Pie-in-a Bag". All items are produced and packaged at their store

Donation: Sue and Kaz Kazlusky

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

138 Thanksgiving Basket

A basket of Thanksgiving treasures. "Thankful" towel and spoon, Thanksgiving candle, Copper cheese knife set and more from *Out Of The Box* in Crystal Lake, voted "Best Of The Fox" Best Gift Store by Northwest Herald readers 9years running!

Donation: Mary Batson from *Out of the Box*

Value: \$70.00

Opening Bid: \$35.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

139 Rosati's

Rosati's in Woodstock has a \$50 gift certificate with your name on it! Choose from their extensive menu. Good only at the Woodstock location.

Donation: Rosati's

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$30.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

140 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Rindo – California Red Blend 2013**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$75.00

Opening Bid: \$35.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

141 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Rindo – California Red Blend 2014**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$75.00

Opening Bid: \$35.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

142 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Asuka Cabernet Franc 2012**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$80.00

Opening Bid: \$40.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

143 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Asatsuyu Sauvignon Blanc 2014**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

144 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Asatsuyu Sauvignon Blanc 2015**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

145 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Asatsuyu Sauvignon Blanc 2016**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

146 Kenzo Estates Wine

Half bottles from a famous winery. Some are among the top 1% in the world. **Asatsuyu Sauvignon Blanc 2017**

Donation: ME Tanabe

Value: \$40.00

Opening Bid: \$20.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

147 Fast Eddie's Car Wash

\$25 wash card from Fast Eddie's. Valid at Crystal Lake location only

Donation: Fast Eddie's

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$12.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

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Donation: Fast Eddie's

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$12.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

149 Ethereal Confections

A whopping \$50 gift certificate from McHenry County's favorite candy shoppe – yum!

Donation: Ethereal Confections

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

150 Read Between The Lynes –

Owner Arlene Lynes donates a 4 week best seller: *These Truths—A History of the United States* by Jill Lepore

Donation: Read Between The Lynes

Value: \$40.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

151 Kingston Lanes

Two games of bowling, shoes, and a pitcher of soda for 4 people from Kingston Lanes in Woodstock, voted "One of the Best of the Fox" bowling alleys by the *Northwest Herald*.

Donation: Kingston Lanes

Value: \$36.00

Opening Bid: \$18.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

152 Pinemoor Pizza

Large pizza from CL's original thin crust pizza place since 1952. The original and still the best.

Donation: Pinemoor Pizza

Value: \$18.00

Opening Bid: \$10.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

153 Shopping Card Tree

WOW! A Christmas Tree to remember! Gift cards on nearly every branch totaling \$350 in actual purchasing power. Donated thru the generosity of Tree of Life members!

Donation: Tree of Life Members

Value: \$350.00

Opening Bid: \$200.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

154 Shopping Card Tree II

WOW and double WOW!! A **second** Christmas Tree to remember! Gift cards on nearly every branch totaling \$350 in actual purchasing power. Donated thru the generosity of Tree of Life members!

Donation: Tree of Life Members

Value: \$350.00

Opening Bid: \$200.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

155 Qubosity

It's the fun, think-fast, Name It & Claim It party game that's challenging without being intimidating!

Donation: Sue and Kaz Kazlusky

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$12.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

156 Plum Garden – Crystal Lake

\$25.00 gift card and fortune cookies from Plum Garden Chinese Restaurant in **Crystal Lake**, the newest of owner Perry Moy's restaurants.

Donation: Plum Garden

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

157 Plum Garden – McHenry

\$25.00 gift card and fortune cookies from Plum Garden Chinese Restaurant in **McHenry**, voted "Best of the Fox" for Chinese food and egg rolls by the *Northwest Herald*

Donation: Plum Garden

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

158 NFL Football

Official NFL Football signed by Bears all-time great Gale Sayers.

Donation: Sue Kazlusky

Value: \$ Priceless!

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

159 Raue Center

2 tickets for *An American Holiday*, a rock-n-roll holiday show on December 7, at 8:00 p.m. It stars Ben Hale who was Johnny Cash in *Million Dollar Quartet*.

Donation: Raue Center

Value: \$60.00

Opening Bid: \$30.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

160 Home Made Baklava

Homemade from an authentic Greek recipe – delicious!

Donation: Zena McFadden

Value: \$30.00

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$3.00

161 Wills and Powers of Attorney

Paul Krieg will prepare a pair of wills and powers of attorney for property and health care

Donation: Paul Krieg, Ltd.

Value: \$300.00

Opening Bid: \$100.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

162 Schwinn Hybrid Bicycle

Never used Schwinn Voyageur GS. Valued

Donation: Sam Wexler

Value: \$400.00

Opening Bid: \$200.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

163 Custom Digital Drawing

One custom digital drawing in color. Please include photo. The winner will receive an e-mail with the file of the original and a 5X7 print. Maximum of 3 people or animals in picture. Your choice of head shot, chest, or full body.

Donation: Lisa Campagnolo

Value: \$50.00

Opening Bid: \$35.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

164 Windhill Pancake House

\$25 Gift Certificate from Windhill Pancake Parlor in McHenry.

Visit on Sunday after church – You'll probably meet some of your friends from Tree of Life.

Donation: Windhill Pancake House

Value: \$25.00

Opening Bid: \$15.00 Bid Increase: \$2.00

165 Woodstock Opera House

4 tickets (2 pairs) to the "Woodstock Holiday Brass Concert" on Saturday, December 22, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

Donation: Woodstock Opera House

Value: \$80.00

Opening Bid: \$40.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

166 Chicago Fire Tickets

4 tickets section 121 Row 8 seats 1-4

Two parking passes

Any 2019 Fire home game (some exclusions may apply)

Schedule should be out mid December 2018

Contact wkazlusky2@gmail.com

Donation: Wendy Kazlusky/Ben Miraski

Value: \$185.00

Opening Bid: \$100.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

167 Creative Living Series Tickets

Come hear Dr. Joseph Ferrari, professor of psychology at DePaul University speak about “Understanding Procrastination: It’s not about Time.” on Thursday, November 15 at the Woodstock Opera House at 10:00 a.m. Two tickets.

Donation: Sue Kazlusky

Value: \$45.00

Opening Bid: \$25.00 Bid Increase: \$5.00

168 Douglas Automotive – Crystal Lake

The Car Care Club card offers 12 different discounts on services ranging from oil change to brake repair with an ability to combine multiple discounts as needed per visit. Use at any Douglas location.

Donation: Doug McAllister

Value: \$400.00

Opening Bid: \$100.00 Bid Increase: \$10.00

169 Set of 7 Original Calligraphies

Buddhist sayings created in Japan by Rev. Dr. Nikkyo Niwano and given as a gift to an United Nations ambassador by International Association for Religious Freedom.

Donation: Anonymous

Value: ??

Opening Bid: \$25 Bid Increase: \$5

170 Set of 2 Navaho Sand Paintings

Set on cork.

Donated by: Anonymous

Value: \$15

Opening Bid: \$7 Bid Increase: \$2

171 Broach and matching clip on earrings

Donated by: Anonymous

Value: ??

Opening Bid: \$10

Bid Increase: \$2

172 Sterling Wedgewood Tie Clips

Donated by: Anonymous

Value: ??

Opening Bid: \$10

Bid Increase: \$2

173 Recycled Piano Key Pin

Donated by: Anonymous

Value: ??

Opening Bid: \$10

Bid Increase: \$2

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

Fixed Price Events

201 Wine, Chocolate, Cheese & Love Songs

Hosts: Tom Steffens & Beth Hoover

Date: February 17, 2019

Time: 4:00pm- 7:00pm

Fixed Price: \$35

Capacity: 28

What could be a better ending to your Valentine's holiday than experiencing wine, chocolate, cheese and love songs? Come to sample many different varieties of food and drink accompanied by love songs performed by Tom and his friends.

202 Spooky Halloween Party

Hosts: Marc and Judy Stettner

Date: Saturday, October 26, 2019

Time: 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Fixed Price: \$15 adults/ Kids free

Capacity: 30

Fun for the whole family. Come in your ghoulish best for costume contests, games, prizes, food and the witches brew!

203 Barn Party 2019

Hosts: Tinkler, Burns, Dionne, Light, Murphy, Meyer, Tirk

Date: August 17, 2019

Time: 7-10pm

Fixed Price: \$25

Capacity: 80

Join us at the Tinkler's Barn in Woodstock for a live performance by Ken Johnson and Tom Steffens. Enjoy some hors d'oeuvres and Janet Burn's delicious desserts in a fabulous welcoming venue. Doors open at 7:00pm

204 Super Bowl 2019

Hosts: Marc and Judy Stettner

Date: Sunday, February 3, 2019

Time: 4:00pm – game ends

Fixed Price: \$20

Capacity: 25

Join us Sunday, February 3, 2019 for food, fun, games, \$\$ to win, refreshments, commercials, and, oh yeah, the Super Bowl.

205 Movie in the Barn

Hosts: Tinklers, Cichons, Light, Murphy

Date: August 24, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Fixed Price: \$10 adults/ \$5 under 18

Capacity: 80

Enjoy a family friendly movie on the big screen at the Tinkler's Barn in Woodstock. TOLUUC youth will staff booths as fortune tellers, advice dispensers, and face painters. Visit the concession stand for popcorn, candy and drinks.

206 A Night with Cassandra, Forrest & Friends

Hosts: Kazluskys, Meyers, Kriegs, Johnson/Jasiota

Date: TBA

Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Fixed Price: \$10

Capacity: 100

A great night of music with two of our favorites – Woodstock Community Choir director Cassandra Vohs-Demann and TOLUUC music director Forrest Ransburg and some of their talented friends! Appetizers and drinks are included in the prize. A can't-miss event.

LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

Bidding Events

207 Star Wars Trivia Night

Hosts: Kevin DeBeck

Date: Saturday, December 8, 2018

Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Starting Price: \$20 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

The almost-Rev. Kevin DeBeck will take on all comers in a game of Star Wars DVD Trivial Pursuit. Come for a night of fellowship and Geekdom! Challenge your nerd wits with the Jedi master – the almost Rev!

208 Holiday Spirit in Chicago

Hosts: Randy Rapp/Sue McCowin

Date: Tuesday, December 11, 2018

Time: 10:00a m-2:00pm

Starting Price: \$35 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 8

This fabulous excursion features a docent-guided tour of the 700 piece art collection at the Union League club followed by a buffet lunch in the spectacular Lincoln Ballroom, complete with Dickensian carolers.

209 An Evening with the Bard

Hosts: The Burns Family

Date: Saturday, January 26, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$20 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

Come play The Bard board game where your team competes to stage the most plays. You do not have to know anything about Shakespeare! Be prepared, however, to busk to earn money (sing, dance, tell bad jokes, or let your inner mime shine). You do not need to have to have any particular talent to busk, the least talented among us are the most entertaining. A hearty repast (aka dinner) will be provided. Elizabethan costumes encouraged but not required

210 Groundhog Day Party – Pull the Cork & Pull the Pork

Hosts: Randy and Karen Meyer

Date: Saturday, February 2, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$20 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

Be the first to uncork and taste the latest wines from the Ran Man's Cellars. Pulled pork, sandwiches, potato chip bar, and other eats along with trivia and THE movie round out the festivities.

211 An Italian Dinner for Six

Hosts: Carol and Nick Ciccotosto

Date: Saturday, February 16, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$30 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 6

Come and enjoy a delicious Italian dinner, complete with wine, hors d'oeuvres, salad, wine, lasagna, garlic bread, dessert, coffee or tea – all served and enjoyed to some lusty Italian music.

212 Wine and Rock Painting

Hosts: The Burns Family

Date: Friday, February 22, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm

Starting Price: \$15 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

Join us for a relaxing evening of sipping wine and painting rocks. Take home a tiny treasure to decorate a desk or windowsill, gift a friend, or leave in a public place to delight the finder.

At this painting party, no need to BYOB. All refreshments, materials, inspiration and instruction provided. You supply the wonder and joy. No skill required!

213 Stories from our Lives – Story Slam

Hosts: Tom Tipton, Laurie Barnes, Zena McFadden

Date: Saturday, March 2, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$20 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 20

Led by talented storyteller Zena McFadden, join us in an engaging evening of entertainment and fun. Food and drinks will be provided.

214: Southern Comfort and Hospitality Dinner

Hosts: Irene Raven Judy Whitaker, Susan Rowe

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$40 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 6

We will be serving classic Southern cocktails with hors d'oeuvres, followed by a five course southern repast featuring dishes from the banks of the Mississippi. We will cap off the evening with a showing of a film of *Showboat*, performed by the San Francisco Opera in the comfort of an intimate home theatre.

215 Dinner Simplified

Hosts: Janet Burns

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2019

Time: 1:00pm-4:00pm

Starting Price: \$40 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 4

Join me for a hands-on afternoon planning meals thinking about grocery lists, sampling some food and preparing a few simple dishes along with taking home many resources. Please be prepared to do some work prior to our gathering. I will ask you to spend a little time looking for a cookbook or two I will provide. I will also have you fill out a brief survey.

216 St. Patrick's Day Party

Hosts: Carol and Nick Ciccotosto

Date: Sunday, March 17, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$20 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 25

Put on your green clothes, socks, hats, etc. and join us in an evening of Irish food, entertainment, food, and libations. **Slainte!**

217 Wine Pairing Dinner

Hosts: Paula Yensen and Mike Bissett

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$35 adults/\$5 bid increase

Capacity: 8

Gourmet (yes, *truly gourmet!*) five-course dinner with superb wines especially chosen to complement each course.

218 American Dinner

Hosts: George and Judy Sowinski

Date: Saturday, April 6, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$30 adults/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

The American menu includes lobster pizza from New England, whiskey shrimp on toast from New Orleans, prime rib from corn-fed Midwestern cattle, seafood cioppino from San Francisco, twice-baked Idaho potatoes, broccoli pie from local gardens, key lime pie from Florida, pecan pie from Georgia, and maybe a surprise or two? Try getting up from this table.

219 Party like you're a kid... again!

Hosts: Randy Rapp, Sue McCowin Hannah Rapp and fiancé Andre

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$15/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 30

Do you remember Play –Doh? Slinkies? Toy Trains? Legos? Hungry, Hungry Hippo? Mouse Trap? Did you eat Mac and Cheese? Fish Sticks? Grilled Cheese? Weenies and beans? Chocolate milk? Wake up your inner child and join us for an evening of games, activities and foods designed to recapture some of the fun of being a kid. We'll end the evening with s'mores and singing around the campfire, weather permitting.

220 Volo Bog Tour and Picnic

Hosts: Jane Richards, Green Sanctuary Committee

Date: Saturday, June 15, 2019

Time: 10:00am- 2:00pm

Starting Price: \$30/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

Join the Green Sanctuary Committee at Volo Bog State Natural Area for a guided tour of this unique natural gem. As the only open water bog in Illinois, it supports flora and fauna both unusual and diverse. TOLUUC member Jane Richards, a volunteer naturalist at the bog, will guide you on a one half mile floating boardwalk to the eye of the bog and back. After, enjoy exhibits at the center and feast on a lunch prepared by the Green Sanctuary Committee.

221 Fireworks on Crystal Lake

Hosts: Rebecca and Jim Heisler

Date: Saturday, July 6, 2019

Time: 7:00pm-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$40/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 10

Enjoys food and drink at the Heisler's home on Crystal Lake, take a boat ride with CL history expert Jim, return to the dock to refresh your drinks, and then float on down to the Main Beach to watch the 2019 version of Crystal Lake Fireworks. A wonderfully relaxing night!

222 Boating on the Chain O' Lakes I

Hosts: The Burns Family

Date: Saturday, July 13, 2019

Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

Starting Price: \$25/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 6

Meet us in Fox Lake at the Chain O' Lakes Marina for a simple brunch or lunch and boat ride on the Fox Chain. Sip champagne while enjoying classical music or down tequila shots while dancing to reggae. Relax on our floating patio while you swim, raft or tour the Fox Lake Chain. You design the day.

223 Pool Party

Hosts: Jim and Ivy Sitkoski

Date: Saturday, July 27, 2019

Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

Starting Price: \$25 per family/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 4 Families

Pool party with picnic lunch served by your hosts. In ground backyard pool, 30X50, 12 feet in deep end.

224 Kayak Adventure and Shore Lunch

Hosts: Karen and Randy Meyer, Sandy Eckert, Carol Faure

Date: Saturday, August 24, 2019

Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

Starting Price: \$40/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 6

Enjoy a day on the lake. Your hosts will whisk you away for a day of friends, food and fun. Boats, vests, paddles, lunch, treats and transportation included.

225 Boating on the Chain O' Lakes II

Hosts: The Burns Family

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2019

Time: 10:00am-2:00pm

Starting Price: \$25/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 6

(See Item 222)

226 Bonfire and Sing Along

Hosts: Jim and Ivy Sitkoski, Tom Tipton

Date: Saturday, September 14, 2019

Time: 7:00am-10:00pm

Starting Price: \$20/ \$5 bid increase

Capacity: 16

Enjoy a night with a bonfire, light supper and a sing-a-long with TOLUUC guitarist Tom Tipton. A great way to wrap up the summer.

227 Your Own Parking Spot

Donated by: TOLUUC Board

Value: Priceless!

Opening Bid: \$50/ \$5 increase

No more trudging way across the parking lot even when you arrive late. Especially wonder when the weather isn't!

228 One Week Minnesota Cabin Getaway

Hosts: Annette Jasiota/Marcia Johnson

Date: TBD

Time: TBD

Value: \$800 per week

Capacity: 10

Opening Bid: \$400

Get away for a week of outdoor adventure/relaxation at a lake cabin in Minnesota. The cabin sits on beautiful Big Hanging Horn Lake outside the town of Moose Lake, Minnesota (1½ hours north of Minneapolis, half hour south of Duluth). This 2 bedroom cabin can accommodate 8-10 people (depending on how flexible you are) and includes a large central room in a finished, walk-out

lower level, fully equipped kitchen, dining room, wood-burning fireplace in living room, bathroom with shower, laundry facilities, large screened-in porch overlooking scenic woodlands, and adjoining outside deck for beautiful star gazing at night! Kayaks, canoe, and lake toys are available for your enjoyment. Add to that a wonderful dock for relaxing with a good book, excellent lake fishing, and a nearby bike trail makes this an idyllic location.

VOLUNTEERS

Auction Book: George Kazlusky

Auctioneer/ Emcee: Ron Relic

At-Large: Amy Beth, Carol Ciccotosto, Beth Hoover, Zena McFadden, Ann Tirk

Bar/Bartenders: Carol & Tom Faure

Cashiers: Sandy Light, John Murphy, Judy Stettner, Marc Stettner

Check-In/Paddles: Judy Mullen, Patrick Murfin, Whit Sears

Childcare: Nora Burns, Leah Mikkelson

Clean-up: Sandra Bartholmey, Kevin and Laurie Cichon, Carol Hamlin Faure, Corey Paskiewicz, Jason Paskiewicz, Bill Stone, Stewardship Team

Closing Silent Auction: Carol Alfus Rebecca Heisler, Sue Rekenenthaler, Ann Tirk

Coat Check: Ellen Tinkler

Decorations: Marcia Johnson, Patrick Kerin

Entertainment: Rebecca Heisler, Frothy Boys, Ron Relic

50/50 Raffle: Sue Rekenenthaler

Food Chairpersons: Judy Ayres, Sandy Eckert

Food: Carol Alfus, Amy Beth, Judy Beyer, Janet Burns, Carol Ciccotosto, Laurie Cichon, Annette Jasiota, Carol Hamlin Faure, Sue Kazlusky, Karen Meyer, Irene Raven, George & Judy Sowinski, Ann Tirk,

Greeters: Marcia Johnson, Judy Whitaker, Jenee Wolfram

Merchant Solicitation: Sue Kazlusky, Mary Robinson, Mike Stough

Publicity: Patrick Murfin

Servers: Devin Anderson, Nick Madaus, Charlie Neff, Samantha Neff

Set-up: Kevin Cichon, Irene Raven, Judy Whitaker, Stewardship Team

Shopping Card Tree: Sandy Eckert

Silent Auction Monitors: Rebecca Heisler, Kathe Lacey-Anderson, Jenee Wolfram

Sound: Doug Mikkelson

Videos and Graphics: Tom Steffens

ANGELS

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A Note from the Chairperson:

On behalf of Tree of Life Unitarian Universalist Congregation (TOLUUC) and the Stewardship Committee, now known as *The Dream Team*, I would like to thank you for attending tonight's auction entitled *Dream Big, Bid Big!*

We hope you will take some time strolling through our silent auction items, purchase some 50-50 raffle tickets, bid on the five fabulous prizes available in our *Dream Big* raffle by purchasing five or more tickets to drop in the box of your choice and then stay to bid on some great parties and events in our live auction. The hors d'oeuvres and all the drinks, both alcoholic and non-alcoholic, are on us as a thank you for spending your Saturday night with us.

We hope that you enjoy tonight and find some "great" deals among our auction items. We would like to remind you that in addition to supplying funds that help with the ongoing needs of this church, 10% of all monies gathered tonight will go to support Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS) of McHenry County, a non-profit organization which provides food, shelter and services to the homeless in this county. Nearly 75% of our congregation's members have worked with the homeless in some capacity over the past twenty years. It is, obviously, a cause that is very near and dear to many of us here at Tree of Life. So, as our theme states, we hope you will "*Dream Big, Bid Big!*" along with us!

Sue Kazlusky and the rest of The Dream Team:

*Tom Steffens
Annette Jasiota
Marcia Johnson
George Sowinski
Patrick Kerin
Karen Meyer
Randy Meyer*

*Judy Stettner
Carol Alfus
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