

# Fabulous Follen!

Follen's Annual  
Goods and Services Auction

Saturday, March 17, 2018  
Follen Church Community Center  
5:30 pm – 8:00 pm  
*Childcare provided*

# FOLLEN AUCTION FAQs

Things to Know Before You Go  
To this Fun, Fabulous, Fund Raising Event

## **When is this event?**

Saturday, March 17. The silent auction and soup start promptly at 5:30pm in the community center. The live auction begins around 6:15pm.

## **Who is invited?**

Follenites and friends. Please bring anyone you think would enjoy the evening.

## **Will there be food?**

Yes! A light supper of soup, bread, wine and dessert will be available.

## **Does it cost anything to get in?**

No! Attendance at the auction is free of charge.

**What happens at the auction?** There will be both silent and live auction sessions, plus time to eat and mingle with friends. During the silent auction session our own Vivian Montgomery will delight us with her harpsichord and accordion playing. Our dynamic auctioneers make the live auction bidding a lot of fun.

## **Do I have to spend a lot of money?**

No! We have over sixty items that range widely in value, with many items in the \$50 - \$200 range. There is no obligation to buy anything. Many people collaborate while bidding to reduce the price per person. Plan ahead!

## **How do I pay?**

With cash or check. Unfortunately, we cannot accept credit cards. Payment must be made on the night of the auction so bring your checkbook.

## **I won! How do I collect my item?**

When you check-out, you will receive the name and contact information of the donor of your item. Winners are responsible for contacting the donors. Items should be collected and services redeemed before the next auction.

## **Will there be childcare?**

Yes! Three Follen youth will supervise children in the Anne Smith room. Mac and cheese will be served. Parents are also welcome to serve their children at the soup and dessert buffet. While not required, it is helpful if you let us know if you will be using childcare.

## **Where does the money from the auction go?**

The auction supports Follen's annual operating budget.

## **Is it too late to help?**

No! We are still gratefully accepting help with set-up and clean-up, and donations of food and drink. Contact us at [auktion@follen.org](mailto:auktion@follen.org) or sign up [here](#).

**We hope to see YOU at the auction!**

Jen Vandiver, Auction Chair

## Live Auction Items

**Winners - please redeem your item before next year's auction!**

**Items with a (T) are tangible goods. Take them home tonight!**

### **Four Seasons of Soup Suppers for 6**

**L-1**

Delicious soups, fresh salads and crusty breads delivered to your kitchen 4 times a year. Enjoy over multiple days or freeze for when you need some comfort food or invite friends or family for a hearty supper. The choice of ingredients and recipes is determined by you. Delivery dates to be negotiated. All ingredients organic and locally sourced when possible.

**Est. Value: \$400      Min. Bid: \$200      Donors: Walter & Betsy Leutz**

### **100 Daffodils**

**L-2**

Nancy will come to your house this fall and plant 100 daffodil bulbs, either in a flower bed or naturalized on a hillside. In preparation, she will come in late summer to discuss daffodil placement, height, color and type. The bulbs will be planted before the snow flies!

**Est. Value: \$150      Min. Bid: \$75      Donor: Nancy Sofen**

### **Lexington Bee Hive Tour and Honey for 2 People**

**L-3**

Get a tour of a working bee hive and take away 20 pounds of Lexington wildflower honey. In fact, if you live within 5 miles of Follen, that honey may be made up in part from nectar from your own garden! We will discuss bee biology, suit up in protective gear, and open up a hive to see that biology in action, including a meet and greet with the queen. You will also have the option to join the honey harvest. Whether or not you choose to participate in the harvest, you will receive twenty pounds of our 2018 honey. You will be buzzing about this adventure all year!

**Est Value: \$325      Min Bid: \$250      Donor: Brian Cali and Arie Derksen**

### **Fondue Party for 8**

**L-4**

Enjoy this popular dish from Switzerland at a fondue party at Tammy and George's home for up to eight guests. Bread and vegetables dipped in pots of hot melted cheese, shrimp and beef cooked right at the table, and fruit and cookies smothered in chocolate for dessert. A yummy way to warm up on a cold winter's night. Hosts: Tammy and George Mulligan and Rosemary McCrudden and Gray Watson

**Est. Value: \$600      Min. Bid: \$300      Donor: Tammy & George Mulligan and Rosemary McCrudden & Gray Watson**

### **Afternoon Sail on the Maine Coast for 4**

**L-5**

An unforgettable afternoon's sail through the magical islands of Muscongus Bay, skippered by Mark "Captain Bligh" Metzger. Thrill to the bark of seals as they frolic, and the whine of wind as it whips through the shredded sail. Taste the tang of the sea as it breaks over the bow and surges into the cockpit. Pick up catchy nautical lingo like "Man alive!" "Man overboard," and "Man the pumps." Captain Metzger is an expert sailor who has gone to sea in 38 boats. He has come back in two. Knowledge of first aid a BIG plus. Date between Memorial Day and Labor Day to be mutually determined. Leave mid-day from the Damariscotta area (3 ½ hours from Lexington), return late afternoon. Party of four maximum. Children must be able to swim. Adults must be able to bail. Lunch included.

**Est. Value: \$450      Min. Bid: \$200      Donor: Mark Metzger**

**X-Ray Polarimetry Lab Tour****L-6**

MIT Astronomer, Dr. Herman Marshall will take you on a tour of the Polarimetry Lab at MIT, near Kendall Square, and provide context for words you've heard and always wondered about such as quasars, polarization, and neutron stars. The lab is a research facility where X-rays are generated in a 15m long vacuum system. You'll learn about the Chandra X-ray Observatory (launched in 1999) and the parts that were made at MIT and tested in the Polarimetry Lab before launch. You'll hear about how light is polarized and how we can measure the polarizations. Finally, you'll see the design of an instrument that would be the first to measure the polarization of low energy X-rays from neutron stars and quasars: the Rocket Experiment Demonstration of a Soft X-ray Polarimeter (the REDSoX\* Polarimeter). Tour is for a small group (maximum 10) and ends with a round at the nearby Cambridge Brewing Company. Each attendee can receive a free pair of polarized sunglasses, good for home experiments!

(\*Name used with permission of the Red Sox Baseball club and Major League Baseball.)

**Est. Value: \$300                      Min. Bid: \$150                      Donor: Herman Marshall**

**Italian Dinner for 8****L-7**

At La Cucina di Fred, Chef Frederico il Figlio di Giovanni will prepare and serve a traditional five-course Italian meal (antipasti, primi, secondi, le insalata, I dolci e la frutta) accompanied by prosecco, vino bianco, vino rosso, sparkling Pellegrino and café. Mangia!

**Est. Value: \$800                      Min. Bid: \$400                      Donor: Fred Johnson**

**The Gift of a Song****L-8**

John Morrison (Vivian's husband and a noted composer) and Gordon Hardy (lyricist) will compose a musical selection on a theme of your choosing. Gordon will interview you or anyone you choose to create a personal song for you and/or yours. This is a great gift for special occasions: landmark birthdays, retirements, receptions, graduations, roasts, etc. The style can be humorous or sincere, and may include memories, hopes for the future, or any special sentiment.

**Est. Value: \$250                      Min. Bid: \$100                      Donor: Gordon Hardy and John**

**Morrison**

**Studio Portrait Session****L-9**

Joe Turner's portraits capture the true character of his subjects. Joe is offering a portrait session in his Stoneham Studio (125 Main Street, Stoneham) to create a portrait that could be a wonderful gift, could be used as professional portrait, or could be a portrait to mark an important life event such as an anniversary or graduation. The winning bid includes a session in the studio and one 5" x 7" custom print. Winner must contact Joe within one week of winning (781-439-7334 or JoeTurner607@aol.com). The session must be completed by December 2018.

www.JoeTurnerPhotog.Smugmug.com

**Est. Value: \$275                      Min. Bid: \$100                      Donor: Joe Turner**

**French Dinner for 7****L-10**

Ooh la la! Enjoy a traditional French dinner for you and six friends at chez Chef Stéphanie in Arlington. The menu will include hors d'œuvres, poulet à la lyonnaise, du riz, et de la salade. Save room for the fromage Brie (which always comes at the end of a French meal) and dessert. The dinner will be accompanied by du vin blanc (Français, bien sûr!) and French songs will serenade you in the background. Date and time to be mutually decided. Bon appétit!

**Est. Value: \$700                      Min. Bid: \$300                      Donor: Steph Chiha**

**Glider Ride - summer or fall weekend****L-11**

Ride with an FAA Certified Flight Instructor. This is a ride with Kim Vandiver in a two seat glider at his club in Sterling, MA. It is offered on a weekend in the summer or fall.

**Est. Value: \$300      Min. Bid: \$200      Donor: Kim Vandiver**

**Your Own Personal Music & Poetry Happening****L-12**

An evening of poetry and music. Pick the theme and enjoy an unforgettable evening presented by Jane, Vivian and Jamie, to celebrate a special occasion or just a lovely summer evening.

**Est. Value: \$250      Min. Bid: \$100      Donors: Vivian Montgomery, Jane**

**Spickett and Jamie Leutz**

**White Mountains Week or Long Weekend - sleeps 7****L-13**

Enjoy a fun week or weekend any time of year at our four-season, three-bedroom, two-bath home in Madison, NH, just south of Conway. On a quiet wooded lot, it's just a five minute walk to a pond where you can swim or look for loons while paddling our canoe. No motorboats are allowed on this peaceful body of water. Downhill and cross-country ski areas are both within a 45 minute drive, and the autumn hiking in the Mount Washington Valley is glorious. All this, plus recreational shopping!

**Est. Value: \$900      Min. Bid: \$450      Donors: Jim & Jackie Fesler**

**Get Organized - 4 hours****L-14**

Got clutter? Four hours of hands-on organizing help. Nothing scares me! Two Follenites say, "Working with Jane is a delight," and "After "flunking out" with two other professional organizers, I have found Jane's style and way of working to be incredibly helpful."

**Est. Value: \$200      Min. Bid: \$150      Donor: Jane Spickett**

**Dinner/Cocktail Tasting Menu for 8****L-15**

Howie Bernstein and Nick Hart are teaming up to provide a small plate / cocktail pairing dinner. Dinner will consist of eight courses that may include seafood (sashimi and cooked), duck, foie gras, pork, beef, lamb, pasta and dessert. Each course will be paired with a special demi-cocktail. Prepare for a full evening of fun as wanna-be iron chef Howie and notable home mixologist Nick work hard to delight and amaze you with some yummy food and drink. We guarantee you won't leave hungry, but coffee will be served to get you straight again to drive home. Menu can be adjusted if necessary to accommodate ethical or dietary requirements.

**Est. Value: \$1,000      Min. Bid: \$600      Donors: Howie Bernstein and Nick Hart**

**Week in An Ocean Side Cottage in Little Compton, RI****L-16****Sleeps 5 - Spring or Fall 2018**

A week away just steps from the Atlantic! Enjoy a relaxing vacation in beautiful Little Compton, Rhode Island, an easy 90 minutes from Lexington. Our small ocean-side cottage – aka the Maus Haus – can easily sleep 4 or 5 people. The house has a fully- equipped galley kitchen and Weber grill, a large sleeping loft and private bedroom, a screened-in porch, washer & dryer, outside and inside showers, and sit-on-top kayaks for exploring the cove and beyond. Little Compton is a great area for biking, swimming, fishing & crabbing, birding, antiques, walking on the beach and watching the sunrise over the ocean. Dogs are welcome. The cottage is available during the months of June OR September 2018. Please let us know your dates as soon as possible because we have rentals during these periods and we want to secure your slot as early as possible to give you the most choice. For more information see [www.vrbo.com/418724](http://www.vrbo.com/418724) and/or call Lisa and Bryan Levey at 781-538-5177.

**Est. Value: \$1,500      Min. Bid: \$500      Donors: Bryan & Lisa Levey**

**Personal Gardener****L-17**

Four hours of skilled gardening/yard work. Will prune shrubs, weed, plant, divide perennials, plant your vegetable garden, etc. This service can be used all at one time or in smaller increments spanning the summer of 2018.

**Est. Value: \$200      Min. Bid: \$150      Donor: Nancy Sofen**

**Can We Take You for a Bike Ride?****L-18**

Did you know that some of the best cycling anywhere can be found right here in eastern Massachusetts? Sally and Andy will guide a group of up to 10 (minimum age 15) through the back roads of Lexington, Concord, Lincoln and Carlisle. We'll meet with you to plan a 2-3 hour route that can be as gentle or as challenging as you like and will almost certainly go by an ice cream stand. As an added bonus, Andy will stop by the week before we go to give your bikes a quick tune-up.

**Est. Value: \$250      Min bid: \$100      Donors: Sally Cassells & Andy Dixon**

**New York Apartment for up to 3 Nights****L-19**

Stay at a beautiful one bedroom apartment on the Upper East Side of Manhattan on 72nd and 1st Ave. It is close to everything and near the subway. Available for 1-3 Follen adults on a mutually agreed upon date for two to three nights (3 days). Please note that this apartment is not appropriate for young children.

**Est Value: \$800      Min bid: \$500      Donor: Epp Sonin**

**Possum Dinner for 6****L-20**

Join Karen and Bill for an unusual evening of potentially delicious food and a more than 50/50 chance of lively conversation. We are seeking daring Unitarians to consume the "Catch of the Day" of Follen Hill, and other gourmet gastronomic delights. The rumors about the dinner are true. Guaranteed to be an experience you will never forget (even if you want to). Disclaimer: Be forewarned, exact entrees and activities will reflect the attributes and characteristics of the winning bidders (should there be any). Remember, "what happens at the Possum Dinner stays at the Possum Dinner."

**Est. Value: \$600      Min. Bid: \$200      Donors: Karen & Bill Carruthers**

**Chocolate and Wine****L-21**

Join Jen at her home for an evening of chocolate truffle making and wine for you and up to five friends. Enjoy a glass of wine as Jen Vandiver, former member of the MIT Laboratory for Chocolate Science, expounds on the science as you make professional quality dipped truffles using her chocolate tempering machine. Take home 10-20 truffles to share (or not) the next day!

**Est Value: \$250      Min. Bid: \$ 100      Donor: Jen Vandiver**

**Walking Tour of Boston's Darker Side****L-22**

Follen member and Boston by Foot docent, Alison Harvey, is offering a tour of the darker side of Boston for up to eight people. Walk through misery, misfortune, malevolence and murder based on true historical events. With Boston neighborhoods as the backdrop learn about scourges of smallpox, or the Great Influenza, the dangers of Richmond Street, the Molasses Flood, body snatchers, and the infamous Brink's Robbery. Wind among the North End's small streets and alleys and explore a delightful neighborhood complete with stories of death and misery from Boston's checkered past. Crime, disease, death, and disaster... what better way to enjoy time in Boston! The tour can be conducted starting at 6:00 pm in the evening or 10:00 am on a Saturday morning. Tour must be given by October 15, 2018.

**Est. Value: \$120      Min Bid: \$80      Donor: Alison Harvey**

**Sing-Along Party****L-23**

At the keyboard will be Jim Herzig and his huge repertoire of pop songs and show tunes from the 40's, 50's, 60's, and 70's. Lyrics will be provided. Smiles and laughter guaranteed. No talent required, just an appetite for a rollicking sing-along and having a great time. Fred Johnson has generously offered to host the party and lend the use of his lovely grand piano. Winning bidder provides all food and drink.

**Est. Value: \$400      Min. Bid: \$200      Donor: Jim Herzig**

**Bespoke Bourbon and Rye Tasting for 6****L-24**

You and five friends will be served barrel-aged bourbons and quality rye spirits for your appreciation and divination. The experience begins before your chosen evening with a liquor consultation. A spirit guide will discuss options and preferences to determine the optimal flight. The tasting itself will be held after dinner at Ben Feingold Thoryn's home or your own as mutually agreed. You and your guests will enjoy five distilled bourbon and rye spirits with hand carved "clear ice" served in appropriate glassware. Spirit guides will walk you and your guests through the flight. Some history, insight and light food will accompany the experience.

**Est. Value: \$500      Min. Bid: \$200      Donors: Ben Feingold Thoryn, Trapper Markelz, Pritesh Gandhi, Adam Suchocki and Chris Farnham**

**Pair of Red Sox Tickets for Patriot's Day Game****L-25**

A pair of quite extraordinary Red Sox tickets. These seats are right behind the owner's box between home plate and first base and right up against the Red Sox dugout. Tickets are for the Patriot's Day game versus the Baltimore Orioles at 11:05 on Monday, April 16.

**Est. Value: \$700      Min. Bid: \$350      Donor: Jack Donahue**

**Tour America's Test Kitchen****L-26**

Food Lovers! Here's your chance to tour America's Test Kitchen and glean some cooking tips. Bryan Roof, America's Test Kitchen test cook and executive food editor, will lead a tour of America's Test Kitchen in the Seaport for up to four people. Bring your questions about recipes, techniques and equipment. At the end of the tour each person will leave with a cookbook.

**Est. Value: \$200      Min. Bid: \$150      Donor: Bryan Roof**

**Homemade Indian Dinner for 8 on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018****L-27**

Join renowned Indian chefs pundits Ervin and Durant at a dinner for up to 8 lucky guests (strictly limited!) at the TajMahal West (8 Wheeler Road, Lexington) on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018 at 6:00pm. Savor hand-ground spices simmered into creamy dals and complex curries, accompanied by cooling raitas, pungent chutneys, and fresh chapattis washed down with Indian Ale. End the evening with selections from the sumptuous dessert bar prepared by kandavikas Valerie and Anne.

**Est. Value: \$600      Min. Bid: \$300      Donors: Stephen Ervin, Valerie Perkins, Anne Engelhart and Doug Durant**

**Rev. Claire's Book Basket****L-28 (T)**

Rev. Claire has been a voracious reader since childhood. Collected in this basket are six of her favorite books, each a different genre: poetry, personal essay, journalism, memoir, advice collection, and yes--a trashy novel. She's thrown in some tea and snacks too, to further sweeten the reading experience! After you've read all the books, let Claire know and she'll take you out to coffee for a one-on-one book conversation!

**Est. Value: priceless      Min. Bid: \$100      Donor: Rev. Claire Feingold Thoryn**

## Silent Auction Items

Please note – The silent auction will end at 6:15pm sharp!

Arrive on time to place your winning bids.

Items with a (T) are tangible goods. Take them home tonight!

### Food for Healing

S-1

Food to feed your body and soul. Nancy will host up to 8 people for a dinner that highlights the healing properties of food. Eat healthy, stay healthy.

**Est Value:\$400      Min Bid: \$200      Donor: Nancy Albader**

### Sketch of a Favorite Place

S-2

Do you have favorite place near Lexington? Some local conservation land, park, or even in your yard? Cristina will create for you a small ink and watercolor sketch of this special place. Unframed.

**Est. Value: \$120      Min. Bid: \$60      Donor: Cristina Burwell**

### Hand-Knitted Socks

S-3 (T)

Come to the auction to see these wonderful socks Debbie has knitted especially for the auction. Can be adjusted to fit your foot.

**Est. Value: \$35      Min. Bid: \$15      Donor: Debbie Bassett**

### Hand-knit Cowl

S-4 (T)

Come to the auction to see this hand- knit cowl in royal blue Debbie has knitted especially for the auction. A great statement piece and so warm too.

**Est. Value:\$25      Min. Bid: \$10      Donor: Debbie Bassett**

### Silver and Pearl Earrings

S-5 (T)

Come to the auction to see a special pair of hand-forged silver and pearl earrings by local jeweler and fellow UU at First Parish in Sudbury, Tom Kruskal.

See <http://tomkruskaldesigns.com/AE184P>.

**Est. Value: \$205      Min. Bid: \$125      Donor: Laura Swanson**

### Kentucky Kernels

S-6, S-7

Southern holiday chocolates that are delicious year round. Chopped walnuts soaked in bourbon, surrounded by a fondant of confectioners' sugar, butter and bourbon, and then dipped in bitter chocolate. Impossible to eat just one!

**Est. Value: \$60      Min. Bid: \$30      Donor: Anne Grady**

### Christmas Stollen

S-8

At Christmastide each year, Sue Halliday channels her German ancestors and prepares stollen as gifts for friends and acquaintances (in the spirit of full disclosure, the recipe Sue uses is not authentically German: there is no yeast in it, and one of the ingredients is cream cheese). Most people enjoy it heartily. Now you can, too.

**Est Value: \$25      Min Bid:\$15      Donor: Sue Halliday**

### College Care Package

S-9

Two dozen homemade chocolate chip cookies, a silly item, and a customized finger puppet - I'll take requests! Einstein? Yoda? Iguana? All sent to the college student closest to your heart.

**Est. Value: \$40      Min. Bid: \$25      Donor: Janet Lane**

**Homemade Bread - 4 loaves****S-10**

Savor the taste of homemade bread. Nancy will deliver four loaves of freshly baked bread during the cooler months. Choose from garden herb braid, buckwheat, onion rye, Portuguese cornbread, cardamom coffee bread, orange cinnamon swirl or oatmeal cinnamon swirl.

**Est. Value: \$30      Min. Bid: \$15      Donor: Nancy Sofen**

**Gluten Free Dessert****S-11**

Are you eating a gluten free diet and can't figure out how to quiet your sweet tooth? Gluten-free guests coming over for dinner and don't know what to serve for dessert? Well with one week's notice Sylvia will supply a delicious, gluten-free dessert. Choose from a dozen cookies, an 8 inch single layer cake or a dozen decadent bars to end a meal. Please note that the dessert will be gluten free but comes from a kitchen where gluten and nuts are used.

**Est. Value: \$40      Min. Bid: \$20      Donor: Sylvia Fohlin**

**Three Herb Bouquets****S-12**

Three times this summer, Mary Ann will deliver to you a bouquet of fresh herbs grown in her garden. Each bouquet will include six herbs - basil, rosemary, thyme, oregano, tarragon and parsley. Enjoy these pretty, aromatic and flavorful bundles!

**Est. Value: \$35      Min. Bid: \$20      Donor: Mary Ann Lippert**

**UU-Split Firewood****S-13**

Keep your hearth burning brightly with our locally-sourced air-chilled maple. Hand-split by UU elves and cured a minimum of one year. Two heaping wheelbarrow loads. Available for immediate pick-up at our South Lexington woodlot. We will load your vehicle, UU-haul!

**Est. Value: \$120      Min. Bid: \$60      Donors: Greg Shenstone and Alden Carpenter**

**Pet Sitting****S-14**

Try an alternative to pet boarding while you are away. I will care for a small animal in my home for a week. I love animals and would give your special pet the best of care and lots of attention. Available April – November.

**Est. Value: \$210      Min. Bid: \$150      Donor: Lil Swanstrom**

**Two Weeks of Unlimited Classes at Barre3  
+ 3 Free Play Lounge Passes****S-15(T)**

Barre3 classes mix athleticism, grace and the latest innovations to balance the body and optimize every moment of your workout. Barre3 is for everyone. It's not a one-size-fits-all approach to exercise -- instead instructors empower each individual to modify postures and develop body awareness for lasting results. This pass is for two weeks of unlimited classes at Natasha's Bedford studio (158 Great Road near Whole Foods). Package also includes three free passes for the Play Lounge for child care during your workout!

**Est. Value: \$84      Min. Bid: \$40      Donor: Natasha Groblewski (former Follen baby)**

**Sailing Lessons for up to 4****S-16**

Lifelong sailor Jackie Buckley will provide a 2 hour sailing lesson in Boston Harbor aboard a 23' Sonar (fractional sloop) sailboat for up to 4 people. Lesson will be on an agreed upon weekday evening or weekend between May and August. Appropriate for all ages. Dress for success: sun block, and layers. PFDs and all Coast Guard required equipment provided along with a packed lunch or dinner!

**Est Value \$200      Min Bid \$100      Donor: Jackie Buckley and Dawn Ridge**

**Museum of Science Membership, Premier 5 Level****S-17 (T)**

Boston's Museum of Science is one of the world's largest science centers and one of New England's most highly attended cultural institutions. It is the organization behind the National Center for Technological Literacy, a nationwide initiative to raise awareness of engineering in schools and museums. With this membership, 5 people can visit the museum for free for an entire year. Membership includes free parking at the Museum Garage for 2 hours every visit. Four one-time use bonus passes to the Omni Theatre and the Planetarium.

**Est. Value: \$165    Min. Bid: \$80                    Donors: Alan & Ellen Adolph**

**New Repertory Theater - 2 Tickets, Any Show****S-18 (T)**

Take your pick! Receive two tickets to any show in the 2018-2019 season. New Repertory Theater is one of Boston's premiere theater companies. The intimate and steeply raked theater means every seat is great, and the free parking in Watertown makes this theater a breeze to get to from Lexington. New Rep is known for its mix of probing, thought-provoking shows centered on big ideas, beloved and popular productions, and new works.

**Est. Value: \$130    Min. Bid: \$60                    Donor: New Repertory Theatre**

**Two Piano Lessons****S-19**

Epp is offering two 45 minute piano lessons to an adult or child beginner. Give it a try!

**Est. Value: \$100    Min. Bid: \$50                    Donor: Epp Sonin**

**Two Voice Lessons****S-20**

Epp is offering two 45 minute voice lessons to an adult beginner. Give it a try!

**Est. Value: \$100    Min. Bid: \$50                    Donor: Epp Sonin**

**Airport Transportation – Departure and Return****S-21**

Harvy Simkovits will provide transportation to and from Logan or Manchester airports for both departure and arrival flights, anytime. Maximum capacity: four people plus luggage. Needs to be scheduled when Harvy is available, yet he will fight off the relentless forces of entropy (Murphy's Law) to be there for you.

**Est. Value: \$150    Min. Bid: \$75                    Donor: Harvy Simkovits**

**Introductory Yoga Session****S-22**

Join Dana for an introduction to the practice of yoga. You don't need to be able to touch your toes; you just have to be willing to try. We will go at a slower pace and focus on developing clear and safe alignment in foundational poses. Come to learn, play, and maybe even break a sweat! If you want a gentle way to learn more about yoga, this class is for you! The winner is welcome to invite one or two others to participate.

**Est Value: \$120    Min Bid: \$60                    Donor: Dana Mountain**

**Foot Reflexology****S-23**

Reflexology is the application of appropriate pressure by thumbs and fingers to specific points and areas on the feet. These reflex points correspond to different body organs and systems. Reflexology can be helpful in eliciting the "relaxation response", decreasing pain, increasing circulation and reducing stress and tension. Catherine Collins is a Certified Reflexologist. 60 minutes.

**Est. Value: \$75    Min. Bid: \$50                    Donor: Catherine Collins**

**Past Life Regression - 75 minutes****S-24**

Past Life Regression is a healing technique that uses hypnosis to uncover memories and events of previous lives in earlier reincarnations. PLR can heal troubling emotional, behavior and relationship patterns; alleviate grief, depression and anxiety; release phobias, offer insight, deepen creativity and clarify your unique life purpose. Xing is a certified PLR therapist, and can offer these sessions in person or by video.

**Est. Value: \$150    Min. Bid: \$60                    Donor: Xing Griffith**

**Custom Handmade Knit Hat****S-25**

Sally will knit you a special handmade hat in the colors and style of your choosing. Adult or child size.

**Est Value: \$35            Min Bid: \$20                    Donor: Sally LeGore-Nusholtz**

**Handmade Cape Cod Quilt****S-26 (T)**

Recall fond memories of Cape Cod with this beautiful wall hanging handmade quilt of sailboats and cottages. The quilt measurements are approximately 17" x 21".

**Est Value: \$100    Min. Bid: \$50                    Donor: Marita Hartshorn**

**Help With Fall Clean Up****S-27**

Do you wish you had help raking leaves? Jane and her strong son will come to your home for two hours this fall and help with your fall cleanup.

**Est Value:\$100            Min. Bid: \$40                    Donor: Jane Current**

**State House News Service****S-28**

A one-year subscription to the State House News Service. In-depth, objective, breaking news delivered to your inbox straight from Beacon Hill. Great way to stay informed about local politics and government!

**Est Value: \$2,200    Min Bid:\$200                    Donor: Craig Sandler**

**Kayak/Canoe on the Mystic River****S-29**

Dominique Vo will lend out her large canoe (large enough for 3 adults or 2 adults + 2 children) and her two individual Kayaks for you to explore the beautiful Mystic River for up to two hours between May and October 2018. Park at Dominique's house in Arlington and access Mystic lake from her front lawn. Paddle the Mystic and see ducks, swans, heron and possibly a turtle or two sunning on a log. Dominique will supply a refreshing snack when you return and, if you like, you can practice your French with Dominique! Winner is to contact Dominique (vodomi@yahoo.com) to arrange a date and time for this outing.

**Est Value: \$100            Min Bid: \$50                    Donor: Dominique Vo**

**Homemade Granola****S-30**

Start your day on a healthy note with homemade granola. Chock full of oats, almonds, sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds, and coconut flakes, it will give you the energy to meet your day. One 7 cup batch provided.

**Est Value:\$25            Min Bid:\$10                    Donor: Kay Lamer**

**Personal Coaching****S-31**

Ready to take on your next goal with clarity, focus, and grace? Work with certified coach Melissa Merres and find out what consistent coaching support can change for you. Three months of private coaching (six sessions) on any issue that is relevant to you - personal, professional, or anything in between. Makes an excellent gift for those friends and family members graduating, searching (for a job, a partner, a purpose?) or approaching a transition.

**Est Value:\$400      Min Bid: \$100      Donor: Melissa Merres**

**African Scarf****S-32**

Hand dyed scarf from Mali. A young artisan hand-dyed this scarf using bogolan, a traditional process of dyeing cotton textiles. It was imported by Rubia, a non-profit whose mission is to develop economic opportunities through craft heritage, to support education, and to promote health and well-being for women and their families in Africa and elsewhere. Follen member, Catherine Reilly, is the Executive Director of Rubia.

**Est. Value: \$60      Min. Bid: \$20      Donor: Harriet Peterson**

**Meal Preparation Party for 2****S-33**

Professional chef consultation with Robin Tartaglia (graduate of Cambridge School of Culinary Arts) who will help you resolve one of your most pressing food issues. Want a review of your go to menu rotation to add recipes that are easier, faster, more nutritious? Are you eager to teach your pre-teen to cook? Do you need to plan an elegant dinner party? Perhaps you desire a demonstration to learn how to prepare three or four entrees in one morning? Chef Robin will provide a consultation to discuss your wishes...and then you will cook together and sample new recipes. Chef will provide food (up to \$100). Bon Appetit!

**Est. Value: \$250      Min. Bid:\$125      Donor: Robin Tartaglia**

**Unhurried Haircut****S-34**

With over 40 years of experience in salons on Lewis Wharf and Newbury Street, Lili will come to your home to give you the haircut you were meant to have. Working with you, Lili will help you find your natural, unstyled, wash and wear look. "Unstyled" means Ready to Go! Please note that Lili does not have a car, so she may ask for transportation if you do not live within walking distance (Arlington center) or on a bus line. Maybe one Sunday after church would be the perfect time to schedule your unhurried appointment with one of the best!

**Est. Value: \$150      Min. Bid: \$75      Donor: Lili Fisher**

**Your Own Personal "Just Listening" Session:****S-35****Music and the Beginner's Mind with Composer John Morrison**

Did you miss John's popular Food For Thought, or did you get so much out of it that you want to do it again, with different music? Or if you know nothing about it, "Just Listening" is a workshop whose aim is to reveal the joy of encountering music of any kind as a path to spiritual awareness. By repeatedly listening to the same music, sharing thoughts and intuitions, a deeper experience of the piece gradually reveals itself. This offering will be adapted specifically for a follow-up group - the bidder gets to steer the musical choice and the workshop's shape.

**Est. Value: \$200      Min. Bid: \$75      Donor: John Morrison**

**Certificate for Photographic Workshop  
at New England School (NESOP) of Photography**

**S-36 (T)**

Have you always wanted to learn how to take better photos, or become a master at Photoshop? Would you like to create images using processes from the nineteenth century, or learn the most cutting-edge digital techniques from the 21<sup>st</sup> century? NESOP, in Waltham MA, offers workshops in Documentary Photography, Portrait and Wedding Photography, Studio Photography, Fashion Photography, and many, many more. The winner of this auction item can register for any evening or weekend photo workshop or any Camp Photo Program (for teenagers only). Coupon must be used by December 31, 2019.

**Est Value: \$600      Min Bid: \$150      Donor: Bill Carruthers**

**A Mixed-Media Painting of Follen**

**S-37 (T)**

Take home a lovely original painting of Follen church steeple, created by David Hummon, using pencil, ink, inkjet, watercolor, and gouache. David's work was exhibited in the "Local Color" exhibit in the Anne Smith Room of Follen from October - December of 2017.

**Est. Value: \$90      Min. Bid: \$40      Donor: David Hummon**

**Kitchen Basket**

**S-38 (T)**

Take home three hand-knitted, cotton dishcloths in a decorative basket ready for your use and enjoyment.

**Est. Value: \$30      Min. Bid: \$15      Donor: Edie Engel**

**Gluten Free Baking Bonanza**

**S-39 (T)**

Whip up some delicious breads and desserts using one of the 69 recipes from the America's Test Kitchen Gluten Free Baking Book and a five pound bag of homemade gluten free flour (made according to America's Test Kitchen's exhaustively tested formula). You'll never miss the gluten!

**Est. Value: \$45      Min. Bid: \$25      Donor: Amanda Agee**

**Hand-woven Market Bag from Guatemala and El Salvador**

**S-40 (T)**

Bring this brightly colored, fair trade market bag on your trips to the library, the farmer's market or wherever your adventures take you. The fabric is hand woven on back strap looms by the Sololá woman's cooperative in Guatemala and sewn by a woman's cooperative in Arlington's sister city, Teosinte, El Salvador. 100% of proceeds are used to pay the artisans and to support education and community development projects in Guatemala and El Salvador. Follen friend Elizabeth Dray is the Executive Director of the Arlington Teosinte Sister City Project.

**Est Value:\$50 Min Bid:\$15 Donor Elizabeth Dray**

**Memoir "Just Lassen to Me" by Harvy Simkovits**

**S-41, S-42(T)**

A signed copy of Harvy Simkovits' recently published memoir. Twelve years in gestation, "Just Lassen to Me!" is a true, enthralling father-son tale. War survivor, escapee from communism, and Canadian immigrant, Johnny Simkovits, amassed a fortune through devious and deceitful means. His son, Harvy, enticed to follow in his father's finagling footsteps, works to reconcile, repudiate, and rectify his dad's dubious legacy.

**Est Value: \$25      Min Bid: \$15      Donor: Harvy Simkovits**

**"Depths Within" Abstract Painting (Acrylics)**

**S-43(T)**

Take home this 16"x20" acrylic painting by Julianna Stockton. Math professor by day, Julianna has been painting and making mixed media art as a creative outlet since 1998. Picasso may have had a "blue period" - this piece is from Julianna's "teal period"

**Est Value: \$400      Min. Bid: \$50      Donor: Julianna Stockton**

**Handmade Cards****S-44 (T)**

A collection of 20 handmade cards with assorted sentiments, including "thank you", "happy birthday", "happy anniversary", "congratulations", "thinking of you", and others. Also some blank notecards to use for any purpose you choose. Each card is unique and handmade with a mix of watercolors, collaged paper, decorative washi tape, and other elements chosen to bring joy to the sender and recipient alike. A delightful and beautiful way to connect with friends.

**Est Value: \$100      Min. Bid: \$25      Donor: Julianna Stockton**

**Handmade Wooden Collage Box****S-45 (T)**

Come to the auction to see this unique and artistic handmade wooden collage box perfect for holding small keepsakes. Titled, "Whatever you are be a good one..." Abraham Lincoln. Item is handmade by Follenite and artist Karen Watson.

**Est. Value: \$150      Min. Bid: \$50      Donors: Karen & Peter Watson Holton**

**\$25 Gift Card to Crafty Yankee****S-46 - S-49 (T)**

Crafty Yankee, located in downtown Lexington, and owned by Kathy Fields, has a wide range of gifts from artisan jewelry to bags and accessories; home accents and table settings; baby gifts and commemorative gifts.

**Est. Value: \$25      Min Bid: \$10      Donor: Kathy Fields**

**Photo book: The Year of the Lighthouses****S-50 (T)**

Follow Mark Sewell on a photographic mission to capture 52 lighthouses in 52 weeks. With his original photographs and personal observations, Mark takes you on a journey to beautiful and historic beacons in 14 states and several countries. A unique coffee table book for lighthouse lovers or travel enthusiasts!

**Est. Value: \$42      Min. Bid: 20\$      Donor: Mark Sewell**

**Quilted Table Runner****S-51 (T)**

Impress your guests with this 12" x 30" table runner suitable for a table or dresser sewn by Nancy Mimno. Enjoy your new runner as you entertain your guests and casually drop words such as standard straight-stitch, free-motion quilt, and a machine that has feed dogs that drop as they admire this one-of-a kind work of art.

**Est. Value: \$100      Min. Bid: \$25      Donor: Nancy Mimno**

**Plastic Tote Bag Featuring the Obama Family****S-52 (T)**

An amazing plastic tote bag featuring the Obama family. A souvenir of travels and a needed political statement for the grocery store or wherever.

**Est Value: \$10      Min Bid: \$2      Donor: Debbie Bassett**

**Handmade Necklace****S-53 (T)**

Celebrate in style with this handmade necklace from Interim DRE (and jewelry maker) Deb Weiner! The necklace, made of gold, brass and black beads, is 23" in length and will be a welcome addition to your out-on-the-town or dress-casual attire.

**Est Value: \$25      Min Bid: \$15      Donor: Deb Weiner**