



## **AUCTION INTRO**

The St. John's 2019 Christmas Bazaar is right around the corner. To get you prepared for one of the most-looked-forward-to events of the holiday season, be sure to check this advance copy of the Silent Auction items up for bid.

### **TIPS & HINTS FOR BIDDING & GROUP BUYING**

**SILENT AUCTION:** When you arrive at the Bazaar, you'll find the Silent Auction items on view. Place your name and the amount you're bidding on the Sign-Up Sheet in front of the item. Some of the items are fixed prices and a limit on people to sign up (group buying). Note: bidding closes on Saturday @ 4pm. Winners will be notified on Sunday – so make sure we have your contact information.

**GROUP BUYING:** We've got some great group experiences up for sale in the Silent Auction. If you find one that tickles your fancy, our hearty recommendation is to round up your friends, in advance of the Bazaar, so you can collectively buy one of these adventures. The procedure is easy: Write down the names of the members of your group on the Sign-Up Sheet

# Silent Auction

## DINNERS

### Gourmet Dinner with Wine Pairings

36 people / \$150 per person

Enjoy the gourmet cooking of **Chef Audrey Patterson**, founder of The Pantry, is back to do an encore performance! Please join us for another award winning five course dinner paired with fine wines. Audrey is a world-class chef who actually knows the difference between a ramp and an onion. Dinner will be held at the Bridgewater home of **Holly Flor and Rudy Mangels**.

*When:* May, 2020

*Who's it for?* Anyone who eats or drinks and knows how to have fun.



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### French Dinner a la Louis XIV

12 people / \$125 per person

**Your hosts, Veronique Dulack and MB Witt** will prepare a French menu, adapted from Louis XIV's unrivaled gastronomic appetite. His evening meals called *Le Grand Couvert* consisted of pheasant, shellfish, soup, and Pâté, roasts and pies of chicken, turnkey, duck, boar, venison and beef. Oysters, salmon and sardines were staples, as was potage. Fruit was served in the shape of large pyramids. Dinner will be held at the Bridgewater home of **Tom and Veronique Dulack**.



*When:* March 21, 2020

*Who's It For?* For the person who would like to experience 17<sup>th</sup> century recipes with a modern twist.

## Roses are Red Wine Tasting

40 people / \$60 per person

It's Valentine's Day at the Rectory on Green Hill, hosted by the ladies of St. John's Church. Come dressed in red for a festive Valentines evening – singles, couples and friends are all welcome.



When: February 14, 2020

*Who's It For?* Anyone looking for something to do on that **Hallmark Holiday**. – tsk tsk

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## Bonanza Bingo

45 people / \$45 per person

Pizza and BYOB. Fr. Geoffrey Hahneman is the caller! Join in for what will surely to be a night of fun and hilarity. Tables of four, six and eight will be available – just come and grab a slice of pizza and a table or set up your own table. Prizes will be given – some good and some goofy!



When: January 18, 2020

*Who's It For?* The gambler in all of us!

## EVENTS

### **Gin & Tonic Night**

10 people / \$60 per person

An evening for gin lovers at the home of Constance and Larry Littlefield and assisted by Melinda and Charles Dubow. There is something really fun about a Gin & Tonic night – sign up for the best tasting in town!



*When:* April 18, 2020

*Who's It For?* Gin lovers over the age of 21. Did you know that juniper berries are good for your health!

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### **Extended Falconry Experience – Value \$250**

Starting bid \$150 with increments of \$25

Donated by Livingston Ripley Waterfowl Sanctuary (LRWS) – Duck Pond in Litchfield

A unique raptor experience for two.

LRWS is one of the largest collections of birds in North America and home to over 60 species, totaling 400 birds from around the world. It's a breeding facility focused on maintaining genetic diversity of rare and endangered species.

*When:* A mutually agreed time in the Spring with LRWS

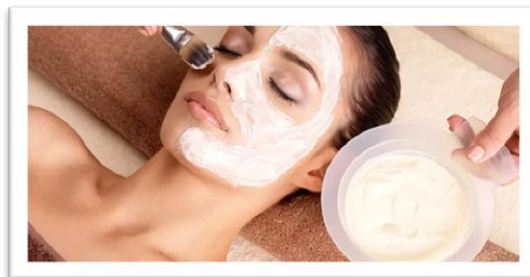
*Who's It For?* For the individual who is interested in pursuing live prey with a raptor, such as a hawk, falcon or eagle



## **Altorelli Med Spa Experience** Value \$150

Starting bid \$75 with increments of \$25

The winner of this bid will receive a facial. Altorelli Med Spa offers a comprehensive collection of treatments and services to bring tranquility, calmness and relaxation into your life



*When:* To be scheduled directly with the Spa

*Who's It For?* For those who like to be indulged – a perfect Christmas gift!

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## **Byrde + the b** BYRDEMAN

Value \$200

Starting bid \$100, with \$10 increments

Byrde + the b is a full-service luxury salon, shop and art gallery located in Washington Depot, CT, with a talented team led by founder and Emmy award-winning stylist, Scott Bond. Services include cuts, color, blow-outs, hair extensions, balayage, waxing, eyebrows, skincare, light therapy, and manicures



*When:* To be scheduled directly with the Spa

*Who's It For?* Someone interested in a full-luxury experience

### **Three Private Golf Lessons at the Washington Golf Club – Value \$150**

Starting bid \$75 with \$25 increments

Three 30 minute golf lessons at the Washington Club with head pro Corey Harris. Corey played on the WEB.com tour and the PGA tour in Asia. Contact him directly to make arrangements.

*When:* A mutually agreed upon time

*Who's It For?* The golfer who wants to up their game



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### **Round of Golf for four at the Washington Golf Club, CT – Value \$300**

Starting bid \$150 with \$25 increments



18 hole round of golf for four with carts at the Washington Club. You may schedule anytime for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Contact the pro shop to make arrangements.

About the course: The 9-hole golf course is located at the end of Golf Course Road, just off Wykeham Road. The early development of the Golf Section was largely influenced by the thoughts and generosity of Mrs. Richard S. Barnes and of Mr. Alfred S. Bourne. In 1962, Paul Bruning purchased and gave to the Club twenty-seven acres of land adjacent to the present 4th fairway. In 1963, ten additional acres were purchased by thirty-four Club members and given to expand the golf course. Washington is one of the oldest golf clubs in the United States.

*When:* Arrangements made with the pro shop.

*Who's Is For?* The golfer who wants to be on a beautiful course.

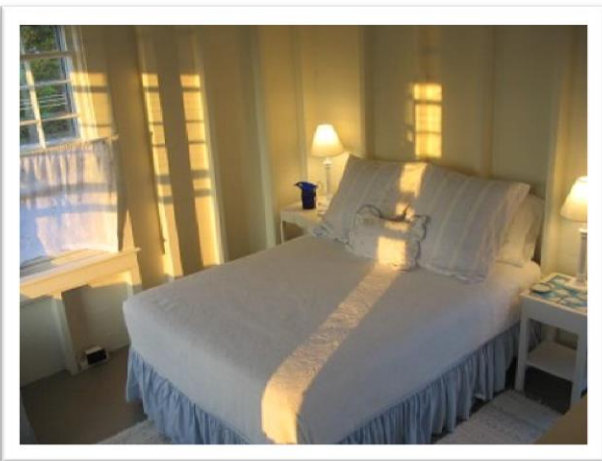
## A Week in the Perfect Nantucket "Cottage" (\$7,000 value)

Starting bid \$3,500 with \$250 Increments

Step back into historic summer Nantucket at this Shimmo summer cottage overlooking Nantucket harbor, with panoramic views of town, Brant Point and Coatue. A three minute walk on sandy roads to private beach. "Sweep Out" is pristine and beautifully decorated, a classic summer cottage but up to date with WiFi and, of course, local cell service. Located between Monomoy and Polpis, the house is a short drive to town. The feeling from the spacious deck is one of being away from the hustle & bustle of town but also with a full



view of harbor activity, with the colorful boats coming and going from the island.



The layout of the five bedrooms is conducive to multi-generational occupancy for a rich and rewarding family vacation. Of the two bedrooms not pictured, one has a bunk bed, perfect for kids, and the other twin beds. All bedrooms are wired for cable, and all three bathrooms have recently been renovated, each with a tub and shower. The fully equipped kitchen includes a Cuisinart and other gourmet amenities.



*When: Available for one week: Saturday, June 6 – Saturday, June 13, 2020.*

*Who's It For? Perfect for a multi generational family holiday – Sleeps 8.*

### **Three Private Voice Lessons – Value \$200**

Starting bid \$100 with \$25 increments

Sing, sing, sing with Dr. Marguerite Mullée, a well know conductor, singer and clinician, currently serving as St. John's Choir Master

*When:* A mutually agreed upon time

*Who's It For?* The performer in all of us!



### **ITEMS**

### **Original Watercolor of Your Home Value \$350**

Starting bid \$175 with \$20 increments

A 5 x 7 matted portrait of your home done in watercolor by artist/architect, Tom Witt. Sample of his work will be on display.

*Who's It For?* Anyone who loves their home





## **Tillie's Organic Vegetables** Value \$150

Starting bid \$75 with \$25 increments

Come each Friday afternoon in June, July and August and whatever is ready to harvest in the garden will be ready for pick up. Quantity of veggies will be for two – four people and is dependent on the weather.

After Tillie Page Laird moved here full time in 2010, she wanted a garden. Using part of a field next to her house, she designed a 1,200 square foot garden surrounded by a deer fence and stone walls. Half of this was for vegetables and strawberries, and the other half was two-tiered for flowers. LG Landscaping built this using the best top soil mixed with sand, peat moss, and manure from cows, sheep, and horses. Starting in 2011, she entered many vegetables plus garlic and shallots at the Labor Day Goshen Fair, winning dozens of awards for her entries. Her strawberries couldn't be entered as they were ripe before the fair occurred. The garden is organic and thanks to excellent soil from day one, a minimum of organic fertilizer is used.

*Who's it For?* Anyone who likes the freshest vegetables anywhere!



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## **Heidi Johnson Photograph - Sitting with Heidi** - Value \$200

Starting bid \$100 with \$25 increments

Heidi is headquartered in New Preston, Connecticut. Heidi offers customized portrait sessions on-location. This is a great opportunity to personalize your portrait – maybe with your pampered pet. The sitting offered is a family session outdoors plus one 8" x 10 table portrait. Location of photo shoot should be within 18 miles of Heidi's office; beyond 18 miles a traveling fee is charged.



*When:* To be scheduled directly with Heidi.

*Who's It For?* Maybe for the 'traditional' family photograph – or maybe it's a shot with your pet?