

## 2024 Service Auction Catalog



Welcome to the 2024 Service Auction. Please review the following pages. They contain information that is important to bidding and buying, as well as a complete listing of available items.

The Service Auction is the Church's most important fundraiser. As you bid, keep in mind that the donors of the services and items are giving generously of their time,

effort, and personal resources to make these donations available. So be generous, be thankful, and ENJOY!

### WHAT'S NEW THIS YEAR? (AND PRESSING QUESTIONS)

1. We've continued the popular "Envelope offerings" that we started last year. They work just like the rest of the Silent Auction except that the items are not displayed but **sold only on the description**. They are numbered between 100 and 199. If you win one of these auctions, pick yours up in the RE office when you check out. (if it's an actual object, the envelope will give you instructions where to pick it up).
2. We still will have Waitlists for parties that fill up, but . . . unlike last year, Waitlists don't go live until Sunday. But once they go live, you can reserve a spot if somebody drops out for a reduced price.
3. Parties that don't specifically note "Alcohol-free event" either serve alcoholic beverages or allow BYOB.
4. We've tried to continue more casual spacing, more time to socialize, enjoy costumes, etc. That being said, **please make a real effort to be there on time**—at least before the official welcome.
5. Did you know that you can "**STAR**" items in Auctria? Both Sign-Ups and Silent Auction items? If you do that in advance, it's way easier to find parties and check on auctions. Try it! **(If you don't know how to "STAR", PLEASE ask for help!)**
6. Credit Card Fees add up! In 2022 we paid over \$1000 in credit card fees. We did MUCH better last year. If you can, please pay by check (or cash). OK to **pay on Sunday!**
7. What should I wear? In person or on zoom, you're invited to costume up. Wear your True Colors. Use your imagination. Looking forward to seeing what attire YOU choose!



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5:30 p.m. – Doors open (Zoom chat & fellowship time)
- 6:00 p.m. – Welcoming remarks/announcements
- 6:30 p.m. – Sign-ups open for both in-person and on-line
- 7:00 p.m. – Live Auction begins
- 8:30 p.m. – Silent Auction closes

## AUCTRIA (they/them)

Auctria is really cool, once you take the time to know them. Sort of like that oddball, lovable uncle you grew up with. Take a little time to get to know them and you'll love them too.

You **MUST** be registered to participate. Save yourself some hassle and do it before the event. Takes 5 minutes. **You can skip the registering part where you enter your credit card information if you'll be paying by check (hopefully).**

Register here: <https://auctria.events/TrueColors>

It works better if you have one bidder number per person for the sign-ups—you can “divide and conquer” and get it done quicker—but it is your choice whether you register as individuals or as a family.

While you're there registering, take a few minutes to become familiar with the website, particularly the dropdown menu function. You can use this feature to limit your search to Sign-up items when the Sign-ups open.

## SIGN-UPS

Sign-ups (Duh!), like everything else, will be done on the Auctria site. There is a section for all sign-up parties, events, and offerings. You simply go to the Auction home page, use the dropdown menu to find your party/event, and sign up.

There are some fun and different Sign-ups this year, as well as a lot of the old regulars. Parties are a great way for new members/friends (and even old members!) to get to know people better and make deeper connections. We encourage you to take advantage of these great opportunities.

If you have questions about any party or offering, feel free to contact the donor to get more information (use the Northwoods directory if you don't have their contact info—contact Jamie Thompson at [office@northwoodsuu.org](mailto:office@northwoodsuu.org) beforehand or ask in person at the event). If there are openings left on any events, they will be available to purchase after the service auction, often right up until the week of the party.

Waitlists: As stated above, waitlists go live on Sunday for parties that are full. If a party is full, you can sign up for \$20 or half the listed cost, whichever is less. If someone can't attend, you're invited. If it stays full, you made a nice donation to Northwoods.

## SILENT AUCTION

**The Silent Auction goes live soon** and you can start bidding—hopefully it already is, or will be very shortly. **Yes, that means you can both bid and BUY IT NOW before Saturday evening Nov. 2 when the onsite Service Auction Event is held. Don't wait to go check it out!!**

Again, go to the Silent Auction Section on Auctria, drop down to the item you're interested in (you can use the "Show Me" drop down in the menu), and make a bid. **Star those items you want to check on frequently and see if you're still winning.**

There is also a "**Buy it Now**" option for Silent Auction offerings. You can just pay that price and it's yours! There are lots of bargains, so make liberal use of this feature—**you don't even have to wait until Saturday to own it.**

Bidding on Silent Auction items will be closed at 8:30 (Auctria does this automatically, so there is no reprieve!). We will remind you when it's close, and you'll have the 5-10 minutes to make your last bids. You can check on Auctria to see if you were the winner. If so, try to pick up your winnings before you leave, definitely by Sunday morning if at all possible.

## LIVE AUCTION



The Live Auction will be conducted both in person and on Zoom at the same time.

- If you're in the sanctuary, you can raise your number to indicate your bid.
- If you're on Zoom, put your bid in the chat. We'll have spotters watching eagerly for your bid; they'll shout it out in the sanctuary. **If nobody acknowledges your bid, wave or unmute briefly and call attention to your bid.**

Once the auctioneer calls "sold," the bidding is over, and the item or service is awarded. **The decision of the auctioneer is final.** If you are the winning bidder:

- In the sanctuary: display your bid number for the auctioneer
- In Zoom, make sure your name is announced correctly (i.e., the spotters identify you correctly). **IF YOU THINK YOU ARE THE WINNING BIDDER AND THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN, SAY SOMETHING IMMEDIATELY.**

In the event that there are two of the same items or services being offered, the second will be offered to the **second highest bidder at the final bid price** (you can negotiate).

The Auctria team will enter the winning bid in your Auctria account and you can pay for it at the end of the night when you check out. You probably want to keep a list so you can check to make sure it was done correctly. (You can ALSO pay in person Sunday morning after church.)

## LET'S PADDLE TOGETHER

We are continuing the initiative we started in 2017 to make a permanent difference in upgrading our church's physical appearance and health by a special fundraising mechanism, **Let's Paddle Together**. Previous improvements include carpeting, tile, bathroom renovation, the new gazebo and garden/playground area, and those magnificent television screens up front.

In 2024 we intend to use the Let's Paddle Together donations to repair the big broken concrete areas and sinkholes in the parking lot (there is some left over money from last year going toward this project as well). The estimated cost for this project is \$4500. Any additional funds will go to refinish the front door and install an awning to protect the door as well as keep you dry when you are coming in during rainy weather.

All contributions for **Let's Paddle Together** are tax deductible and will show up on your end of year contribution statement. Everyone can "bid" any amount, and we all win! Please be sure to go to the **Let's Paddle Together area on Auctria** to record your donation!

## PURCHASING AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES

1. All Sign-ups and Silent Auction winning bids are recorded automatically on Auctria. Live Auction wins are added by our clerical team.
2. You can check out during or after the event in the RE office (the one with the half-door, near the Garden Room), where a team will process your payment. You can also check out on the Auctria site any time using a credit card, although we encourage checks or cash payments to avoid processing fees. You can also pay in person on Sunday after church. You can also contact Jamie during the week to make payment arrangements.
3. **You will get a confirmation email with all of your purchases and Sign-ups immediately after your payment is processed.** If you haven't received the email, contact [office@northwoodsuu.org](mailto:office@northwoodsuu.org)

## DOOR PRIZES

Door prizes will be drawn throughout the night. **NOTE: In order to win a door prize, you must be present when your name is called.** And . . . there is a \$100 Gift Card donated by the Hensels as the closing door prize at the end of the night—incentive for you to stick around.

## CAVEATS

1. Donors of parties and events will make every effort to hold events on the advertised dates; however, unforeseen circumstances do arise and some events may need to be rescheduled. Furthermore, on “TBD” (to be determined) events, the host will make an effort to find a mutually “good” date. If you are unable to attend an event, you may arrange to have someone attend in your place. Remember that the Service Auction is about making a CONTRIBUTION to Northwoods; the events are the added BONUS.
2. Donors of Services, whether sold during Live or Silent auctions, are asked to make every effort to deliver their contribution in a timely manner. It is the Donor's responsibility to arrange fulfillment of the donation agreement. Donors will be emailed a list of those who have purchased their goods or services. If you have not received your list within 2 weeks, please contact [office@northwoodsuu.org](mailto:office@northwoodsuu.org) for your copy.
3. All sales are final. Reselling your purchases is allowed and encouraged, but please contact the donor if you make changes. Services should be “consumed” before the next Service Auction unless you make special arrangements with the donor. Although it is the donor's responsibility to contact the buyer, each buyer will be provided with a record of purchases on a confirmation receipt. If necessary, buyers may contact donors to confirm arrangements for delivery of services.

## PEOPLE WHO MADE THIS EVENT POSSIBLE

The Service Auction Committee would like to give thanks to all of the donors who have donated parties and events and agreed to provide goods and services during the next year. It is you most of all who makes this event a success.

## 2024 SERVICE AUCTION TEAM

The Service Auction Committee (SAC) consists of the following:

Service Auction Committee Chair(s) – Kate Rhoad, Hillary Valor

Auctria Coordinator – Jamie Thompson

Auctria Liaison – Kathryn Donohue

Basket Coordinator - Celeste McDonell

Basket Artists: Judith Bartok, Krista Henkel-Selph, Susan Olver, Sue Ridgway

Spreadsheet upkeep: Krista Henkel-Selph

Descriptions: Mira Dessy, Terry Meyer

Photography: Amanda Thompson, Greg McDonell

Catalog Coordinator – Rusty Rhoad

Childcare Coordinator – Amanda Thompson



Decorations Coordinator - Erin Hein  
Financial Coordinator – Jamie Thompson  
Information Table Coordinator - Tabitha and Kathryn Donohue  
Kick-off Event Coordinator – Aaron Valor  
Meeting Minutes/Archives – Margaret Davis  
Procurement Coordinator – Celeste McDonell, Bruce Chancey  
Proofreader – Margaret Davis  
Publicity Coordinator – Kim Prevost  
Support Team – Patty Schinzing, Gene Halleck  
RE Classroom Projects Coordinator – Leanna Fregia, Jamie Thompson  
Sign-up Solicitor/Facilitator – Monica Foy/Molli McMills  
Special Events Coordinator – Judith Bartok  
Table Coordinator – Hillary Valor (Kate Rhoad)  
Volunteer Coordinator – Molli McMills/Monica Foy

## **NIGHT-OF SUPPORT TEAM**

Table/chair set up workers – Northwoods Folk Choir  
Sound and Music/Zoom Producer – Jaunetta Cooper  
Auctioneer assistants – Kate Rhoad, Takis Bogdanos  
Door greeters – Mark Holt and Jane Zachritz  
Candid photographer - Amanda Thompson  
Kitchen Team – Chris Mair-Miley, Rusty Braswell  
Auctioneers – Rev Sarah Prickett, Rusty Rhoad  
Live Auction Spotters – Patty Schinzing and Susan Blackmore  
Live Auction Recorders – Courtney Thibodeaux and Austin Gatchell  
Live Auction Entry into Auctria - Scott Witt, Alex Muir  
MC - Mary Branson  
Zoom Team – David Shontz, Mary Anne Edelblut, Margaret Davis



## LOCAL BUSINESS DONORS

We do want to acknowledge the local businesses who generously contributed to our auction. Go support them!

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| Alspaugh's Ace Hardware of the Woodlands | Nice Winery                       |
| Activate                                 | Nicolle Perrotto, Spirit Walk LLC |
| Adam and Eve Houston, TX                 | Northwoods Women's Book Club      |
| Altitude Trampoline Park Spring, TX      | Palace Nails Bar in The Woodlands |
| Bernhardt Winery                         | Phat Eatery/Katy The Woodlands    |
| Blackwood Sporting Co.                   | PL Nails Spa Conroe, TX           |
| Blossom Cove Candle Company              | Ploy Thai Cuisine                 |
| Bowlero Woodlands                        | ProCare Skin & Nails              |
| Box It (The Woodlands)                   | Pure Essentials                   |
| Buy the Book                             | Randall's                         |
| Cafe Express The Woodlands               | Robichau's Jewelry                |
| Chiller Bee Frozen Yogurt                | Rolon Law Firm                    |
| Cutco Cutlery Corporation                | Sandra Dome                       |
| Cypress Trails Ranch                     | Sarah Kelly Music School          |
| Deep Roots Vineyards                     | Southern Star Brewing Company     |
| D'Luxe Nails and Spa                     | Stage Right of Texas              |
| El Bosque Mexican Grill                  | Stretch Zone, The Woodlands       |
| El Chaparro Mexican Bar & Grill          | Texas Renaissance Festival        |
| Elite Medical Skin & Laser Center        | Texas Roadhouse                   |
| Escape in Time                           | Texas Wolfdog Project             |
| Herrerias Mexican Restaurant             | The Ferm Meadery                  |
| Honey Baked Ham (HoneyBaked of Spring)   | The Learning Zoo                  |
| Houston Museum of Natural Science        | Torchy's Taco                     |
| Houston Zoo                              | Total Wine & More The Woodlands   |
| Jason's Deli                             | Trader Joe's The Woodlands        |
| Jenny Sue's Pet Grooming and Pet Oasis   | WB Liquors                        |
| Kidventure                               | West Sandy Creek Winery           |
| Kirby Ice House The Woodlands            | Woodlands Health Market           |
| LongHorn Steakhouse Spring/Woodlands     | YMCA of the Woodlands             |
| Millbend Coffeehouse                     |                                   |



# Northwoods Service Auction 2024

# Calendar

Day	Date	No	Event
Sat	9-Nov	201	Challah Baking Class (Mahaney)
Sun	24-Nov	202	Tacos de Terciopelo(Saxton/Powell)
Sat	7-Dec	203	Create an ART JOURNAL (Moody)
Sun	8-Dec	204	Holiday Mystery Party for Kids (Flowers)
Sat	14-Dec	205	Christmas Cookie Exchange (Chancey)
Sat am	21-Dec	206	Drop and Shop...or Chop etc (Pierce)
Sat pm	11-Jan	207	Let's Make and Decorate Cookies! (Valor)
Sat	18-Jan	208	Nailed It ! Hairstyle Edition (Donohue)
Sun	19-Jan	209	Create Your Character (A Valor)
Sat am	25-Jan	210	Heartbeats and Hoofbeats (Hasseman)
Sat pm	25-Jan	211	Acrylic Painting Worship (Meyer)
Sat	25-Jan	212	Step Into The World of Dance (Pierce et al)
Fri	31-Jan	213	Enjoy Your Wings and Play Wingspan (Powers)
Sat	1-Feb	214	Open Mike Night (Rhoad et al)
Sat	1-Feb	215	Open Mike Night Specators (Rhoad et al)
Sun	2-Feb	216	Grammy Watch Party (Powers)
Sat	8-Feb	217	GAL-entines - Wine and Cookies (Valor)
Sat	8-Feb	218	Acrylic Painting Worship, 2nd Session (Meyer)
Sun	9-Feb	219	D&D One-Shot: Ages 10+ (A Valor)
Sat	15-Feb	220	Disco Murder Mystery Party (DaSilva)
Sat	15-Feb	221	A Thibodeaux Mardi Gras (Thibodeaux)
Sun	16-Feb	222	D&D One-Shot: Adults only (A Valor)
Sat	22-Feb	223	Gowns, Goblets, & Grandeur! (Saxon & Mahaney)
Sat	22-Feb	224	BraVa! Bra Fun (McAlpin and Dessy)
Sun	23-Feb	225	Light, Warmth, and Energy (Zimmerman)
Sun	23-Feb	226	Sunday Afternoon Jam Session (Cooper)
Sat	1-Mar	227	Camp Taco (Zachritz & Holt)
Sat	8-Mar	228	Bunco Night (Chancey)
Sat	15-Mar	229	Irish Dinner (Meyer)
Sat	22-Mar	230	Second Annual Liars' Club Dinner (Marshall)
Sun	23-Mar	231	An Afternoon of Woo-Woo (Bunch)
Sat	29-Mar	232	Get Happy Being Blue! (WillieB et al)
Sun	30-Mar	233	Treasure Chest Game (SA Team)
Sat pm	5-Apr	234	Making Stationary (Moody)
Sat	5-Apr	235	Eat Dessert First (Moore et al)
Sun	6-Apr	236	Whisky, Art, and Chocolate (Rhoad)
Sat	12-Apr	237	Fun at the Lake! (Pierce et al)
Sat pm	19-Apr	238	"To Get to know You Bettet" (McMills/Schizing)



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Sat	19-Apr	239	Fire Pit Party (Mahaney)
Sat	26-Apr		ARTS IN ACTION
Fri	2-May	240	Learn to Play Root (Donohue)
Sat am	3-May	241	Brainwave Brunch: AI tools for everyone (Smith)
Sat pm	3-May	242	Ping pong, Pitch, and Pool Party (Rippelmeyer)
Sat	3-May	243	Do You Taste Wine Better Than Hal? (Merriam)
Sat	10-May	244	Learn how to make Baklava. (Bogdanos)
Sat	17-May	245	Songs of our Lives (Rhoad)
Sat	7-Jun	246	Annual Pool and Pool Pictionary Party (Langlois)
Sat	14-Jun	247	Strategize & Socialize: Game Night (H Valor)
Sat	21-Jun	248	Let's Play Spades (Rhoad)
Sat am	26-Jul	249	2nd Annual Holiday Cookie Party in July
Sat	16-Aug	250	Shazam! (Donohue/DaSilva/Foy)
Sat	23-Aug	251	Painting with Papers (Rhoad)
Sat	6-Sep	252	Sing Your Heart Out (SA Team)
Sat	20-Sep	253	Purposefully Wes Anderson (Foy)
Sat	27-Sep	254	Be a Superstar (Willie B et al)
Sat	27-Sep	255	Be a Superstar spectators (Willie B et al)
Sat	11-Oct	256	Halloween Candy Wine Tasting (Chancey)
Arranged with buyer		257	Your Yard Does Not Hate You! (Holt)
Arranged with buyer		258	Disney Princess Karaoke (DaSilva)
Arranged with buyer		259	Intro to Learning to Play the Piano (Meyer)
Arranged with buyer		260	Face Painting for YOUR Event! (Blackmore)
Arranged with buyer		261	Stones Reading (Bunch)
Decided by participants		262	Sushi Making Workshop (Halleck)
Decided by participants		263	Koto Workshop (Halleck)
Decided by participants		264	Sid & Sarah's Garage Games Getaway (Prickett)
Decided by participants		265	Pop-Art Pet Portraits Party (Prickett)
Delivered		266	Acrylic Pet Portrait (Meyer)
Delivered		267	Renaissance Fair Tickets
Delivered		268	Ticket Packs to Museum of Natural Science



# Live Auction Preview

<b>Item#</b>	<b>Starting Bid</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>301</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Early Sign-up</b> <i>Donated by your friendly and understanding Service Auction Committee</i>  Did you miss out on the parties you wanted? Does trying to sign up for those precious slots color your whole service auction experience? Do you hate Auctria with a blooming passion? Well, here's a solution. If you win this item, you can sign up early next year (for you and ONE significant other) as soon as the catalog comes out. Ha! Legal cheating.
<b>302</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<b>Adam &amp; Eve Basket</b> <i>Donated by Adam &amp; Eve</i>  For starters, there's a \$100 gift card from love store Adam and Eve. And this basket already contains lots to make you a happier couple. 2 kinds of massage oil (plus massager), pheromones and honey dust, a bottle of wine and more. \$300 worth of goodies.
<b>303</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Cypress Trails Gift Certificate</b> <i>Donated by Cypress Trails</i>  Go on an Adventure Trail Ride, a Lunch/Picnic Ride, or take a lesson at Cypress Trails Ranch. Whether you are an experienced rider or a complete novice you will enjoy riding one of our fabulous horses. Ride along Cypress and Spring Creeks on beautiful forested trails with expert guides. A \$250 certificate for any of their rides or services. See the site below for more details. <a href="https://cypresstrailsranch.com/">https://cypresstrailsranch.com/</a>
<b>304</b>	<b>\$175</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Dinner Prep in a Basket</b> <i>Donated by Krista Henkel-Selph</i>  Only the large oval platter won't fit in the basket! So many items to complete or upgrade your kitchen: a set of 3 GreenPan pots with lids, a wooden cheese board and 3 knives, a Lodge brand ceramic loaf pan, a mandolin slicer, an apron and that's not all! It's a real cornucopia. Valued at \$490.
<b>305</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Nice Winery Private Wine Class</b> <i>Donated by Nice Winery</i>  Seated private wine class for 10-16 people at their winery in Houston. Wine, stemware, and light snacks provided as part of the class. Nice Winery is an up-and-coming hot spot in the Houston cuisine scene with a number of award-winning wines. A \$1200 value.
<b>306</b>	<b>\$158</b>	<b>Into the Wild Basket</b> <i>Donated by Ann McAlpin</i>  For the serious hiker: a Kelty External Pack Frame, a hydration bladder, a Field and Stream trekking pole and a XL men's rain/wind breaker that fits inside a 5x5 pack. There's a Coleman stove, mini lantern set, 3 pots and a water tank for backcountry camping.
<b>307</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Hand crocheted penguorno (beautiful reading blanket with sleeves)</b> <i>Donated by Molli McMills</i>  Made by Beth Marshall, Meg Scammon, and Phyllis Burchfeld. Members of our community donated funds for the yarn and a reading gift card for Molli McMills after the loss of her husband Bruce in 2018. Molli said snuggling up in this felt like everyone's arms were around her. Like to

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<b>307</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Hand crocheted penguorno (beautiful reading blanket with sleeves)</b> read? Snuggle up in this and feel the love!
<b>308</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Capturing Light Beaded Project</b> <i>Donated by NW RE</i>  This beaded artwork, crafted by Northwoods children, features handmade colorful strands of glass and plastic beads that shimmer in the sunlight when hung in a window. Each child contributed their own unique pattern, creating a vibrant, playful display of colors and shapes. The beads catch the light, casting soft reflections across the room and symbolizing the collective joy and creativity of the young artists.
<b>309</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Quiet getaway at Lake Conroe</b> <i>Donated by Scott Witt</i>  Ideal for nature lovers, this “barn-dominium” is a studio apartment within a metal building, on 3.5 acres within a quiet subdivision. There is a private boat launch on the lake less than a mile away. We see a variety of wildlife on the property and a small pond is loaded with catfish. You will have this place to yourself, with full run of the property and a large covered patio for grilling and eating outside. Sleeps up to five people with one day bed (two twin mattresses), a sofa sleeper (double bed), plus one airbed. Most dates between now and the end of March, 2025 are currently available. Will reserve the desired 5 consecutive days for the winner up to 3/31/25. Link to Airbnb site: <a href="https://airbnb.com/h/lake-barn">https://airbnb.com/h/lake-barn</a>
<b>310</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<b>Phases of the Moon</b> <i>Donated by Jamie Moody</i>  This collaborative art piece captures the moon’s phases with segments designed by 15 artists from Northwoods. Artists used paint and collage to depict a night sky that carries the moon's journey from shadow to light. The result is a dynamic, textured timeline of the moon’s phases, blending personal creativity with the celestial theme. Can be hung horizontally or vertically.
<b>311</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Choose Your Own Sermon Adventure!</b> <i>Donated by Rev Sarah Prickett</i>  Burning question or beloved topic? You pick the topic (or ask the question) and Rev. Sarah will write the sermon. No topic is off the table, so whether you want to stump the minister or shock the congregation--either will be quite the challenge. Are you up to it? Rev Sarah Prickett
<b>312</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Take Care of Yourself Basket</b> <i>Donated by the Membership Committee</i>  The Membership Committee donated services and products to relax, soothe and pamper. There are gift cards for Hand & Stone Massage and Facial Spa, Happy Foot Spa, GC Manicure and the Woodlands Health Market. At home you can enjoy relaxing teas, lavender, water infuser drops and soothing lotions. A \$360 value.
<b>313</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Total Wine &amp; More Wine Tasting</b> <i>Donated by Total Wine &amp; More</i>  A private wine tasting class for 20. A 2-hour seated or casual walk-around event. Choose one of the popular classes: Wine 101, A Spotlight on Spanish Wines, So Many Ways to Chardonnay, A Wine Tour of Italy, Vive La France, Discover Cabernet Sauvignon, or California Uncorked. Certificate also comes with 30% discount on Winery Direct Wines and a 10% Discount on Spirits

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<b>313</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Total Wine &amp; More Wine Tasting</b> Direct Spirits. A \$600 Value.
<b>314</b>	<b>\$90</b>	<b>Grill and Chill Basket</b> <i>Donated by A Friend of Northwoods</i>  Everything you need for a fiesta on the patio. You can put on your Jose Cuervo tee shirt (2), sunglasses (4 pair), start preparing the margaritas with a bottle of tequila and mixer, special salt and limes and get grilling with 2 grilling baskets. Also included: plastic table cloth and eco-friendly cups (30) and utensils (10 sets). Assortment of Redmond Real Salts to spice your grill. Estimated Value: \$283.
<b>315</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Woven Collaborative Art Project</b> <i>Donated by NW RE</i>  This collaborative fabric art piece, created from colorful fabric scraps brought by Northwoods children, forms a vibrant tapestry of textures and patterns. Each child contributed a unique piece of fabric, representing their personal story and adding to the collective design.
<b>316</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>2-night stay at West Sandy Creek Winery</b> <i>Donated by Sandy West Creek Winery</i>  Come and enjoy a 2-night stay in a beautiful cabin for up to 4 people. Great wines, weekend music on the patio, great walks to see the animals which include a camel, zebbronkies, and painted ponies. Northwest of Lake Conroe, less than an hour's drive from The Woodlands. Good for 1 year. A \$650 value.
<b>317</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Cozy Evening in a Basket</b> <i>Donated by Laura Brackin</i>  This basket includes a hand-crocheted Afghan throw roughly 60" x 48" made with beige acrylic yarn featuring colored flecks. Together with a pottery mug and an assortment of hot beverage options, this will enhance your cozy evenings in.
<b>318</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>One week of dog sitting</b> <i>Donated by Molli McMills and WillieB Arenas</i>  One week or up to 7 days dog sitting at Molli/Willie's. One dog only who would do ok with an energetic 16 lb terrier mix
<b>319</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<b>Custom Painting by Jamie Moody</b> <i>Donated by Jamie Moody</i>  Up for auction is a custom painting by Jamie Moody - a heartfelt expression of your unique story, carefully crafted to reflect your emotions, memories, and/or dreams. Details are tailored just for you using colors, symbols, and imagery that resonate with your theme. It's more than just art—it's a meaningful piece that speaks directly to your soul, created with utmost care and love. The size will be approximately 18x24 and the goal is to have the painting completed by the 2025 Service Auction event (sometimes love takes time!)

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<b>320</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<p><b>Folk Choir Basket</b>  <i>Donated by Northwoods Folk Choir</i></p> <p>An overflowing basket for music makers and music lovers. To play: a Casio keyboard, a recorder and F sharp bamboo flute. Need lessons? Enjoy a month of lessons at the Sarah Kelly music school in The Woodlands and a classic book What We Hear in Music. For your listening pleasure: a Groove Onn Mini Rugged Speaker, \$30 iTunes gift card, 2 certificates for 2 reserved seats at The Music Box Theater (open date), tickets for 2 to the Crighton Theater (12/7 Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and 2/15 Big -- can be exchanged). You can also show your love of music with 4 neutral-toned wall tiles, a Christmas ornament, coaster and a picnic tablecloth -- all with musical motifs. Plus a Murano style wind chime.</p>
<b>321</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<p><b>Private ART Party!</b>  <i>Donated by Jamie Moody</i></p> <p>Host a private art party! You might have been to one of those paint and sip parties, making a step by step painting with little room for creativity. This is the opposite of that! You and up to five of your friends will get together on a date that we agree on for a private art party, where you're encouraged to explore beyond the typical "paint and sip" experience. We decide on a date, and Jamie will give you a few options for crafty art projects to choose from - each with ample opportunity to explore creativity for any skill level. We could do individual art projects, or a collaborative piece that can hang in your home (great for families!) This is YOUR party - she brings the art supplies, you supply the snacks (and/or alcohol). The party can be hosted at your house, or at Northwoods.</p>
<b>322</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<p><b>One Week at Kidventure Houston Day Camp</b>  <i>Donated by Michael McDonell</i></p> <p>What a fabulous adventure for your child! One-week Kidventure day camp--adventures and activities galore. This donation has been hotly-contested by parents every year. Comes with 2 kids tee shirts, 2 mascot stuffed koalas, a water bottle and a frisbee. Valued at \$365.</p>
<b>323</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<p><b>Day at the Beach with Tequila Basket</b>  <i>Donated by a Friend of Northwoods.</i></p> <p>Park in comfortable Parkit Voyager chairs with attached coolers or lounge on beach towels while the kids play with beach balls (2 of each item). Share a bottle of Coconut Tequila. You've got 6 cups and cup holders. Valued at \$475.</p>
<b>324</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Topaz Necklace</b>  <i>Donated by a Friend of Northwoods.</i></p> <p>Blue Topaz pendant set in 14 carat gold on a 14-carat gold 16-inch chain. Estimated Value: \$250.</p>
<b>325</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<p><b>Sacred Stitches by Rev. Sarah</b>  <i>Donated by Rev Sarah Prickett</i></p> <p>Rev. Sarah will crochet, just for you, a lap blanket, baby blanket, or shawl in the color(s) of your choosing using acrylic or cotton yarn. She can offer ideas to choose from (and a Pinterest board full of projects) but it's more fun if you share some inspiration. Picture includes several examples of previous work; your item will be made to order.</p>

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<b>326</b>	<b>\$150</b>	<p><b>Amazing leafy shawl, with glitter</b>  <i>Donated by Beth Marshall</i></p> <p>You've seen my earth/moon shawls, and my Northwoods window shawl. You've seen my butterflies in three color ways. Are you ready for my copper leaves? I hope so! A lovely winter-weight shawl of leaves rendered in two interplaying color ways, completely bound and ready to ward off the deep, cool evening's frost. This will be ready by the auction or slightly thereafter. Hand crafted in acrylic and polyester yarn/fiber. See photo of work-in-progress.</p>
<b>327</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<p><b>Wine at Home or on the Go Basket</b>  <i>Donated by Friends of Northwoods.</i></p> <p>This attractive rectangular basket with handles is a great place to hold bar accessories like the 8-piece Rabbit electric(!) wine opener set, 4 bottle stoppers and bar cloth. Basket also includes 4 Baccarat cut-glass crystal wine glasses, a roll-up wine carrier and 2 wine bags--fully loaded!</p>
<b>328</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<p><b>Weekend stay on Lake Livingston</b>  <i>Donated by Erin &amp; Evan Hein</i></p> <p>Pack your bags and grab some friends - it's lake time! Come enjoy 3 days and 2 nights at a relaxing waterfront home in Livingston. Watch the sun set from the hammock on your enormous private wrap-around porch with panoramic lake views. Enjoy excellent on-property fishing, swing into the lake, or bring your boat and take advantage of a convenient nearby boat launch. The home has 2 bedrooms (each with a queen bed, and each with French doors leading to the wrap around balcony) and has 3 bunk beds in a nook in the living room to sleep 3 more for a total of 7 guests.</p> <p>Come enjoy a breezy, shady slice of peace by the lake!</p>
<b>329</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>"Name that Tune" Service</b>  <i>Donated by Rev Sarah Prickett</i></p> <p>Think of it as Choose Your Own Sermon Adventure: The Musical. Rev. Sarah will craft a Sunday worship service using a song of your choosing as inspiration. You pick the song, Rev. Sarah writes the sermon! Rev Sarah Prickett</p>

# Silent Auction and Sign Up Events

## Sign Up Events

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**Item# Starting Bid Description**

**201 \$25 Challah Baking Class**

8 available.

Come learn how to make Challah Bread. We will make and braid the dough at Northwoods and then take it home to bake in our own ovens. Each person will need to bring a large mixing bowl, 2 baking pans, and measuring cups and spoons. I will supply the ingredients and refreshments to enjoy while the dough rises. Alcohol-free event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, November 9, 2024 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Cyndie Mahaney.

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**202 \$20 Tacos de Terciopelo, a.k.a. Velvet Taco**

6 available.

Join us for dinner and drinks at Velvet Taco after church. We hope to eat outside, so please dress for cool weather if needed. Event at Velvet Taco in The Woodlands. DATE: Sunday, November 24, 2024 - 12:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Elizabeth Saxton and Richard Powell.

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**203 \$25 Create an ART JOURNAL**

12 available.

Create a Junk Art Journal with me! Last year I discovered a free online course on Junk Journaling by Kasia Avery at <https://www.everything-art.com/> and I was so moved by the process that I would like to share it! In this class, participants will build a junk journal from an old book and everyday scraps and materials to use as a vessel for art journaling. You will take home a ready made journal so you can do the Care December journal sessions with Kasia Avery at home - I'll show you how to access the course and get you started with the first session if we have time. We might even meet up for a few POP UP classes to journal together! BYOB event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, December 7, 2024 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Jamie Moody.

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**204 \$15 Holiday Mystery Party for Kids**

12 available.

Santa's bag of toys has been stolen! There might be no Christmas. Was it Jacky Frost? Kristina Kringle? Caroline Clause? Come help solve the mystery. Snacks will be provided. Alcohol-free event at The Flowers' Home in The Woodlands. DATE: Sunday, December 8, 2024 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Anise Flowers.

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**205 \$20 Christmas Cookie Exchange**

16 available.

We will get together and share our homemade or nearly homemade treats. Each person brings 16 bagged samples of their treat; these will be shared. You will also bring tasting samples for us to enjoy together. Everyone will leave with yummy holiday treats to share with family. This is an adult event, a couple of hours to relax and eat treats. I will have wine, coffee etc and nibbles. Event in Conroe. DATE: Saturday, December 14, 2024 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Anne Chancey.

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**206 \$20 Drop and Shop...or Chop...or Mop... or Flop !**

20 available.

Are you a parent in need of some well-deserved "me time" or a chance to tackle your holiday to-do

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206	\$20	<p data-bbox="386 205 1188 241"><b>Drop and Shop...or Chop...or Mop... or Flop !</b></p> <p data-bbox="386 247 1502 340">list without distractions? Look no further! Join us for "Drop and Shop...or Chop...or Mop... or Flop" - Your perfect solution for a well-balanced day! We've got you covered at our fantastic childcare event.</p> <p data-bbox="386 346 1546 438">What to Expect: * Professional Childcare Provided * Drop off your kids and go Shopping (Drop &amp; Shop) * Prepare holiday meals or treats (Chop) * Enjoy a Clean Home (Mop) * Spend some time relaxing all by yourself! (Flop)</p> <p data-bbox="386 445 1474 501">Relish guilt-free shopping, cooking, cleaning, or relaxation time. Professional caregivers will ensure your child's safety and fun.</p> <p data-bbox="386 508 1546 564">Activities for Kid will include: Creative Arts &amp; Crafts (gift making for parents) Interactive Games, Science Experiments and Snacks &amp; Treats</p> <p data-bbox="386 571 1528 630">Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to take care of your needs while your little ones are in great hands. Secure your spot now and experience a day of relaxation, productivity, and fun!</p> <p data-bbox="386 636 1490 663">Alcohol-free event at Northwoods Sanctuary. NOTE: The cost is no more than \$40 per family.</p> <p data-bbox="386 669 1369 697">DATE: Saturday, December 21, 2024 - 11:00 AM. HOSTED BY: Gay Lynn Pierce.</p>
207	\$25	<p data-bbox="386 730 971 766"><b>Let's Make and Decorate Cookies!</b></p> <p data-bbox="386 772 535 800">10 available.</p> <p data-bbox="386 835 1518 997">Join me to make sugar cookies with royal icing from scratch. Winter theme! We will start by making the dough, then we will bake the cookies. While they cool, we will make the royal icing, and then we will ice the cookies. This will be a great experience if you are a hands-on learner and/or if you just love cookies. This is beginner level and anyone can participate. Recommended for Kids age 8 and above. You will get my cookie and royal icing recipe.</p> <p data-bbox="386 1033 1485 1159">Everyone will get to roll out dough, cut out cookies, bake them and then ice them. Approx 6-8 cookies per person. Photo is a class example. Light snacks and drinks will be provided - bring nothing but yourselves and let's have fun making some cookies! Alcohol-free event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, January 11, 2025 - 1:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Hillary Valor.</p>
208	\$20	<p data-bbox="386 1192 860 1228"><b>Nailed It ! Hairstyle Edition</b></p> <p data-bbox="386 1234 535 1262">20 available.</p> <p data-bbox="386 1297 1539 1493">Your hairstyle could be the envy of all scrollers on Facebook, Instagram or Tik Tok. We are to recreate our favorite styles and have lots of fun doing it. Bring your hairstyle tools and show off your hair flair! We'll watch several videos and then try our hands at recreating them. There will be at least two hair style training heads. This event is for long and short hair. Whether you're looking for a fun style for the big dance or you're a dad wanting to re-create his kid's favorite style, this is the event for you.</p> <p data-bbox="386 1528 1523 1654">Topsy tail tools, hair pins, hair bands, basic heat protectant and hair spray, and bun forms will be provided. Bring your own brush, combs, styling products, etc. We'll have very light snacks and maybe some mimosas (for legal drinking age, of course). All are welcome. Event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, January 18, 2024 - 1:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Kathryn Donohue.</p>
209	\$10	<p data-bbox="386 1696 782 1732"><b>Create Your Character</b></p> <p data-bbox="386 1738 535 1766">15 available.</p> <p data-bbox="386 1801 1534 1953">Let's make a D&amp;D 5th edition character. This character can be used to play in a fantasy role playing game. Fun and creative activity for ages 10 and up. Supplies and snacks will be provided. Pairs well with the D&amp;D One shot events that follow (one shot means a campaign that completes in a single session, versus many sessions). Alcohol-free event at Northwoods in Room 10. DATE: Sunday, January 19, 2025 - 1:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Aaron Valor.</p>



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<b>210</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<p><b>Heartbeats and Hoofbeats: Deepening Loving Presence Through the Lessons of Horses</b> 15 available.</p> <p>Step into a transformative experience at Northwoods UU, where the wisdom of horses will guide you toward mindfulness, self-awareness, and a deep sense of loving presence—without needing to be near a horse or have riding experience. Horses, with their natural sensitivity, offer profound lessons that inspire new ways of being fully present and compassionate.</p> <p>Led by MaryKay Hasseman, a lifelong Unitarian Universalist with over 50 years as a horse professional and 20 years of mindfulness practice under a Zen teacher, this retreat will immerse you in interactive exercises that cultivate meditation, loving presence, and self-discovery. These practices may shift your perspective, offering fresh insights to enrich your relationships with both animals and people. Over 18 only, please. Alcohol-free event at Northwoods UU. DATE: Saturday, January 25, 2025 - 10:00 AM. HOSTED BY: MaryKay Hasseman.</p>
<b>211</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<p><b>Acrylic Painting Workshop</b> 3 available.</p> <p>This 3-hour workshop will get you started with acrylic painting or take you to the next level. Topics will include acrylics basics and color mixing, but most of the workshop will be individualized coaching. Note: Participants must supply their own paint and canvas. Brushes, snacks and drinks provided. Note that there will be 2 workshops, with 3 participants each. You might want to sign up for both. It's hard to finish a painting in just 3 hours!</p> <p>Alcohol-free event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, January 25, 2025 - 12:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Terry Meyer.</p>
<b>212</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Step Into The World of Dance</b> 16 available.</p> <p>Ready to learn the art of Ballroom Dancing? Whether you're preparing for a special event or just want to have fun, this Basic Ballroom Dance Lesson Class will get you moving with grace and confidence!</p> <p>WHAT WE WILL OFFER: • Beginner-friendly lessons: No experience? No problem! We'll guide you every step of the way. • Classic Ballroom Styles: Waltz, Foxtrot, Swing, and a Basic Two-Step! • Group Session: This will be open for 8 pairs Fun &amp; Social Atmosphere: Bring a partner or a friend. No special shoes required — just bring your enthusiasm!. Cost is \$25 for your couple. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. BYOB Come dance with us and make your next step a memorable one!</p> <p>Event at Northwoods UU Garden Room. DATE: Saturday, January 25, 2025 - 6-10 PM. HOSTED BY: Gay Lynn Pierce and Connie Newkirk.</p>
<b>213</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<p><b>Enjoy Your Wings and Play Wingspan</b> 6 available.</p> <p>Join Kathryn Donohue and Susan Powers to play the super fun game of Wingspan while enjoying some actual chicken wings and wine or beer or soft drinks. We'll also have other "fowl" snacks to enjoy! Event in Conroe. DATE: Friday, January 31, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Susan Powers.</p>
<b>214</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Open Mike Night</b> 20 available.</p> <p>Who'd a thunk it. It's the 16th Annual (well, except for Covid) Parade of Infamous NUUC Talent.</p>

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<b>214</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Open Mike Night</b></p> <p>A procession of poets, singers, musicians, storytellers, actors, and everything in between who have entertained and enthralled us for the last 15 years--talent is our true color. Our living room becomes a pressure-free, intimate venue with an audience of your closest friends to wildly applaud your efforts. What more could you ask? In addition to enjoying the hidden talents of your friends, you get to feast on a spectacular selection of appetizers, desserts, and beverages. NOTE: If you sign up for one of these slots, you are expected to perform! But you can also attend as a non-performer by signing up for Open Mike Night: Spectators below. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, February 1, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Kate and Rusty Rhoad, Sue Ridgway, and Kathryn Donohue.</p>
<b>215</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Open Mike Night - Spectators</b></p> <p>16 available.</p> <p>Dying to watch the parade of talent at the 16th Mostly Annual Open Mike Night, but are terrified of performing? Just for you, we've made available some spectator-only slots. Same famous food and drink, just without the opportunity and/or requirement to perform. See previous party for additional details. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, February 1, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Kate and Rusty Rhoad, Sue Ridgway, and Kathryn Donohue.</p>
<b>216</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Grammy Watch Party</b></p> <p>10 available.</p> <p>Get your groove on while watching the 2025 Grammy Awards! Delicious heavy hors d'oeuvres and beer/wine/theme drinks will be served. Play Grammy Bingo and answer trivia questions! Exact time TBA by Grammy organization. Event in Conroe. DATE: Sunday, February 2, 2025 - 6:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Susan Powers and Doni Langlois.</p>
<b>217</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>GAL-entines - Wine and Cookies</b></p> <p>10 available.</p> <p>Join me for an evening of Cookies, Conversations, and Wine. We will decorate a set of 6 valentines cookies - very beginner level, no experience necessary. We will listen to good music and have some food and drinks and good conversations. This will be a fun and relaxing night with the girls! Adults only. Light Food and Drinks including Wine will be provided. Event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, February 8, 2025 - 6:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Hillary Valor.</p>
<b>218</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<p><b>Acrylic Painting Workshop (Second Session)</b></p> <p>3 available.</p> <p>This 3-hour workshop will get you started with acrylic painting, take you to the next level, or let you finish the painting you started in Session One. Topics will include acrylics basics and color mixing, but most of the workshop will be individualized coaching. Note: Participants must supply their own paint and canvas. Brushes, snacks and drinks provided. Note: this is the second of 2 workshops, with 3 participants each. You can sign up for both or just one if you prefer, although it's hard to finish a painting in just 3 hours!</p> <p>Alcohol-free event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, February 8, 2025 - 12:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Terry Meyer.</p>
<b>219</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>D&amp;D One-Shot: Ages 10+</b></p> <p>6 available.</p> <p>Join us for an exciting one-shot Dungeons &amp; Dragons adventure!</p>

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<b>219</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>D&amp;D One-Shot: Ages 10+</b></p> <p>In this fast-paced session, you'll dive into a thrilling quest filled with danger, intrigue, and mystery. No prior experience is needed—just bring your imagination! Pre-generated characters will be provided, or you can create your own. Perfect for newcomers and seasoned adventurers alike, this one-shot is a great way to explore the world of D&amp;D without a long-term commitment. Sign up now and embark on an unforgettable journey! (This pairs well with the Create Your Character event) For ages 10 and up. Alcohol-free event in Spring. DATE: Sunday, February 9, 2025 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Aaron Valor.</p>
<b>220</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Disco Murder Mystery Party - 2024 Re-do</b></p> <p>6 available.</p> <p>The year is 1975, the age of Disco! The students at the posh and strict Bradford School for Girls are preparing for a night of fun at their school dance. No one could have guessed that the night would turn into a MURDER MYSTERY... The perfect event for Northwoodsians who like to act (up) and wear costumes! Light snacks served. NOTE: Those whose tickets went unfulfilled in 2024 due to Sara's house fire will be included at no cost. BYOB event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, February 15, 2025 - 6:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Sara DaSilva.</p>
<b>221</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>A Thibodeaux Mardi Gras</b></p> <p>20 available.</p> <p>Come get your grub on with an authentic Cajun and his Cajun-by-Association wife! Join us at our home for a delightfully delicious dinner to celebrate the Mardi Gras season. We will provide two home-cooked main dishes, drinks (non-alcoholic beverages and wine), music, and good company. Guests bring desserts, side items, and any additional beverages. Wear your best Mardi Gras attire! Feel free to dress--fancy, tacky, or a combination of fancy/tacky. Event at "Chateau Thibodeaux" in Conroe. DATE: Saturday, February 15, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Chris and Courtney Thibodeaux.</p>
<b>222</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>D&amp;D One-Shot: Adults only</b></p> <p>6 available.</p> <p>Join us for an exciting one-shot Dungeons &amp; Dragons adventure! In this fast-paced session, you'll dive into a thrilling quest filled with danger, intrigue, and mystery. No prior experience is needed—just bring your imagination! Pre-generated characters will be provided, or you can create your own. Perfect for newcomers and seasoned adventurers alike, this one-shot is a great way to explore the world of D&amp;D without a long-term commitment. Sign up now and embark on an unforgettable journey! (This pairs well with the Create Your Character event) For adults only. Event in Spring. DATE: Sunday, February 16, 2025 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Aaron Valor.</p>
<b>223</b>	<b>\$45</b>	<p><b>Gowns, Goblets, and Grandeur!</b></p> <p>6 available.</p> <p>No matter your pronoun, if you'll wear a gown, (Dresses long hemmed, and show up begemmed). This event is for you. Elegance through and through! Come and delight, Gold, silver, crystal and candlelight. A very formal multi-course dinner. We'll accommodate six If it gets too hot, Douse the candlesticks As cool it must be, For long gloves, hems, and finery. *Champagne* by the bottle for this jubilee. Head to the safety deposit box to show off your best jewel largess (If you find yourself gownless we'll loan you a long dress)</p>

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<b>223</b>	<b>\$45</b>	<p><b>Gowns, Goblets, and Grandeur!</b>            Get your hair done, plan your manicure            This is a night of total Grandeur!</p> <p>*may have to be “sparkling wine”. (If you don’t know the difference, study up!) Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, February 22, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Elizabeth Saxton and Cyndie Mahaney</p>
<b>224</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<p><b>BraVa! Bra Fun, Food, and Filanthropy</b>            30 available.</p> <p>Yes, you heard it right—an evening of celebration and frivolity around that essential of garments, the Brassiere! Bring an essay to read about this venerable garment—the Bra—or a funny story to tell. We will provide boob-alicious refreshments, and prizes for the best stories. This will also be a fundraiser for the Women’s Shelter, for those who are in need of these garments. Price of admission, in addition to the \$10 for Northwoods, is one new bra, tag still attached. Large sizes are preferred. Colorful brings joy. NOTE: This is not a women-only event—all pronouns are invited. *** We give a nod of thanks to BraVa of Troy, NY, who invited Mira to read her superb essay at last year’s BraVa event. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, February 22, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Ann McAlpin and Mira Dessy.</p>
<b>225</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Light, Warmth, and Energy with Friction.</b>            12 available.</p> <p>Learn how to create your own chalice spark the old-fashioned paleolithic way. Learn to see the chalice flame in a new way. Go home with your own fire-by-friction kit. Be warned: sweat equity will be required. Alcohol-free outdoors event at Northwoods. DATE: Sunday, February 23, 2025 - 2pm. HOSTED BY: Dan Zimmerman.</p>
<b>226</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Sunday Afternoon Jam Session</b>            15 available.</p> <p>Come bring your instruments and singing voices and let's sit and make music together in a big circle under the circle window at Northwoods. The circle is for sharing music in an informal and welcoming atmosphere. Bring a list of your favorite songs and we'll try to play it together. Non-acoustic instrumentalists should bring their own small amplifiers as needed. We will have egg shakers and tambourines available for the non-instrumentalists to play along. Light refreshments and snacks will be on hand to fuel our efforts. Alcohol-free event at Northwoods. DATE: Sunday, February 23, 2025 - 4:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Jaunetta Cooper.</p>
<b>227</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>CAMP TACO</b>            18 available.</p> <p>Join us around the fire pit for a fun camp-themed evening! There will be a taco bar, salsa flights, food fights (just kidding), queso flights, a s'more bar, and camp-themed libations. Bring your favorite camp songs and ghost stories! Children are welcome at this party! Event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, March 1, 2025 - 5:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Jane Zachritz and Mark Holt.</p>
<b>228</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Bunco Night</b>            16 available.</p> <p>Let the good times roll at Bunco Night. Bring your favorite wine and \$5 for the cash prize pot. Dinner, dessert and fast pace play. Prizes for: most wins/most losses and most buncos. Rules reviewed. Event in Conroe. DATE: Saturday, March 8, 2025 - 6:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Anne Chancey.</p>

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<b>229</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Irish Dinner</b> 12 available.</p> <p>Erin go Bragh! Get ready for St. Patrick's day by trying a bounty of Irish dishes at the home of Terry and Hal Meyer. It's like a trip to the Emerald Isle without the airfare! Wear Green! Event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, March 15, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Terry Meyer.</p>
<b>230</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Second Annual Liars' Club Dinner</b> 20 available.</p> <p>This complete turkey dinner (who's the turkey?) may or may not include all the fixings. Remember, it's the Liars' Club. Guests will contribute dishes requested by the hosts. Entertainment will be short and tall tales (prompts may be provided) told by members of the Liars' Club. That's YOU, when you sign up. We may play "Can you top this?" as an ice-breaker. Come and meet your fellow prevaricators. Will there be an award for the tallest tales and the looniest lies? Sign up and find out. Truth-tellers must leave their qualms at the door, to be retrieved when they depart, and fact-checkers will be roundly admonished. Lies, damned lies, and statistics are all welcome, especially with confusing charts (apologies to Mark Twain). We're looking forward to this long-standing, traditional celebration and hope you will join us! And that is not a lie! Well-behaved children are welcome to participate. Alcohol-free event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, March 22, 2025 - 5:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Beth Marshall.</p>
<b>231</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>An Afternoon of Woo-Woo</b> 8 available.</p> <p>Tell your story of an unexplained paranormal experience. A precognitive dream? A vision? A voice? A UFO? A smell of a lost loved one? My door is open to hear and share those moments. Listeners welcome. Non-alcoholic. Tea, drinks and nibbles (I don't buy soda so if that's your choice please bring it). Alcohol-free event in Spring. DATE: Sunday, March 23, 2025 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: JUDY BUNCH.</p>
<b>232</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Get Happy Being Blue!</b> 30 available.</p> <p>Come join Rusty, Takis and Susan the Black at Willie and Molli's place for the most fun you've ever had being blue! The evening will begin with blue beverages along with the "Blue Food Challenge." Participants will bring a "Blue" appetizer or dessert. The catch, justify why your offering is blue WITHOUT blue food dye (natural coloring is ok!) Maybe it looks blue, maybe the main ingredient is blue, maybe you have a creative justification! Prizes will be offered for the tastiest appetizer and the tastiest dessert. While enjoying the blue smorgasbord, Willie B, Rusty, and Molli will entertain you with live music. Guess what kind? The party will culminate with guests being divided into groups to write a verse to our first "Nothing But the Blues" song. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, March 29, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Molli, Willie B, Susan the Black, Takis, Rusty, and Kate.</p>
<b>233</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<p><b>Treasure Chest Game</b> 80 available.</p> <p>New offering by your Service Auction team! Try your luck or follow your curiosity by playing this fun and unique game. Your entry fee gets you a key. There will be several pirate treasure chests there. If your key opens one, you will win whatever prize is inside. At the end of the game all USED keys are placed in a bucket and one will be drawn for the GRAND PRIZE. Note that additional keys can be purchased at the door, increasing your chances of winning. Snacks and non-alcoholic drinks will be available. Pirate costumes are encouraged. Children participation is welcomed. Event in the Sanctuary. DATE: Sunday, March 30, 2025—noon. HOSTED BY:</p>

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<b>233</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Treasure Chest Game</b> Service Auction Team.
<b>234</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<b>Making Stationery - Sacred Circles and Divine Doodles</b> 15 available.  Using art pens and watercolors, we will create beautiful, personalized stationery by exploring the art of sacred circles. Free flowing shapes and patterns can also be explored by the more free spirited. And for the absolute dream weavers, let the colors guide you, adding lines and shapes to make playful patterns. This project is perfect for both beginners and seasoned artists. The techniques are very easy, and might just become your favorite new ways to doodle! (Artists are encouraged to donate a card or two to our Northwoods Care Team to send to members or friends when they need words of support.) Light snacks provided. Bring your own wine or bubbly if you desire. BYOB event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, April 5, 2025 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Jamie Moody.
<b>235</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Eat Dessert First: No Guilt, only Kick-Ass Calories</b> 12 available.  Join dessert mavens Ridgway, Glassberg and Moore for a deep dive into our dessert favorites—Italian Cream Cake, Better Than Sex Chocolate Cake, and a surprise! Plus a round table chat about our standout dessert memories. Tea and Coffee, of course, and perhaps a wee drop of liqueur. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, April 5, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Hallie Moore, Sue Ridgway, and Elana Glassberg.
<b>236</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Whisky, Art, and Chocolate</b> 12 available.  Something a little different this year. Last couple of years we've strolled among the fine art installations in the Woodlands while we tasted, with each work of art, a paired malted whisky and a chocolate. This year we're going to do the same thing, only in my home--I have some really fine art to share, stories to tell, and whisky that will go perfectly with it. I'll even start with a short talk on the fine art of malted whisky. Event in the Woodlands. DATE: Sunday, April 6, 2025 - 2:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Scotch Aficionado Rusty Rhoad (782 different malted whiskies sampled as of catalog date)
<b>237</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Fun at the Lake! Cornhole, Crossnet, &amp; Concert</b> 20 available.  Join us for an unforgettable evening of games, food, and live music on Lake Conroe! What's Happening? * Cornhole Tournament * Crossnet Matches (It's volleyball with a twist!) * Live Concert by Zachary Pierce to close out the evening! Gourmet Hotdogs will be served — bring your appetite! BYOB! (Bring Your Own Beverages). Bring your family, your friends, and your favorite drinks for an evening packed with fun and games, ending with a soulful performance by the talented Zachary Pierce! Let's make memories by the water — see you there! *** NOTE: \$20/person, no more than \$40/family. BYOB event at Gay Lynn, Connie, and Zach's House on Lake Conroe. DATE: Saturday, April 12, 2024 - 4-8 PM. HOSTED BY: Zachary Pierce.
<b>238</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Ladies Lunch "To Get to know You Bettet"</b> 12 available.  Wine, a selection of light lunch and dessert offerings served with stories from each guest (and hostess) so we can get to know each other better. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, April 19, 2025 - 1:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Molli McMills and Patty Schinzing.

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<b>239</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Fire Pit Party</b> 10 available.</p> <p>Come enjoy a relaxing evening around the fire pit. We will roast hot dogs, veggie dogs, and marshmallows. Sample assorted munchies, varieties of beer and hot spiced cider. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, April 19, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Cyndie Mahaney.</p>
<b>240</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<p><b>Learn to Play Root</b> 14 available.</p> <p>It's a battle to control the Wilderness. Are you a cat, an ally, a vagabond or an Eyrie? Which group will take Root?</p> <p>We will learn how to play the game and then play a complete game. Sandwiches/light snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Attendees who arrive on time will be entered into a random raffle drawing. Must be present to win. Event at Northwoods Sanctuary. DATE: Friday, May 2, 2025 - 1:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Kathryn Donohue &amp; Jaunetta Cooper.</p>
<b>241</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Brainwave Brunch: AI tools for everyone</b> 20 available.</p> <p>Hungry for AI knowledge? Join our BrainWave Brunch! From 10 AM to noon, feast on cutting-edge AI tools with a side of silliness. Chat with AI over coffee, create digital art while munching muffins, and compose tunes between bites. No tech experience needed – just bring your curiosity and a device (phone, tablet, or laptop). WARNING: May cause "Aha!" moments and uncontrollable giggles.</p> <p>Let's make tech-tastic memories together! (Title and description AI generated) Alcohol-free event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, May 3, 2025 - 10:00 AM. HOSTED BY: Mark Smith and Kathryn Donohue.</p>
<b>242</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Ping pong, Pitch, and Pool Party</b> 14 available.</p> <p>Enjoy a fun afternoon at Lynn's house playing active games, showing off your skills at ping pong, horseshoes, cornhole, and pool, and then cooling off in the swimming pool while relaxing with food, drinks, and (most importantly) good friends! Event at Lynn's House in Montgomery. DATE: Saturday, May 3, 2025 - 1:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Lynn Rippelmeyer, Sue Ridgeway and Elena Glassberg.</p>
<b>243</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Do You Taste Wine Better Than Hal?</b> 16 available.</p> <p>Can Rud and Shari trick you into thinking cheap wine is better than expensive wine? Or can you beat the reigning champion of wine tasting, Hal Meyers? Your challenge is to select for both red and white wines the one that is most, medium, and least expensive. After the tasting, we'll finish those bottles and open some others to enjoy with snacks. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, May 3, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Rud and Shari Merriam.</p>
<b>244</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>One of these days you'll learn how to make Baklava. That day is NOW!</b> 10 available.</p> <p>A casual get together with friends to learn how to make baklava and have a piece or two at the end. Active participation is key. I'll provide the dessert, red and white wine, coffee, tea, flavored</p>

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<b>244</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>One of these days you'll learn how to make Baklava. That day is NOW!</b></p> <p>water. You provide your smile, and a snack to share with everyone. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, May 10, 2025 - 4:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Takis Bogdanos.</p>
<b>245</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Songs of our Lives</b></p> <p>16 available.</p> <p>We resurrected this party last year after a long hiatus and it was as much fun as I remember it being. During a time of fellowship and bonding that only music can offer, you get to share a song that has special meaning in your life: "your song" when you first fell in love, a song that got you through a bad time, a silly tune that always gets you out of a funk, one that you performed for a junior high talent show, that dreaded earworm. You'll tell us what makes the song special to you and then present it: recorded, live, hands-in-pocket a capella, however you want. The point is the story. Plus a rich assortment of savories and sweets and adult beverages. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, May 17, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Rusty and Kate Rhoad, Jeff and Katie Norris.</p>
<b>246</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Annual Pool and Pool Pictionary Party</b></p> <p>20 available.</p> <p>Take a lovely dip, enjoy yummy picnic food and drink, and take part in a raucous game of Pool Pictionary! Now an annual event not to be missed! Please bring a side dish - we will have burgers, brauts, and a vegetarian main course. Plus wine, beer and iced tea! Event at Mark and Doni's in Montgomery. DATE: Saturday, June 7, 2025 - 5:00 PM (Rain date 6/14). HOSTED BY: Doni Langlois.</p>
<b>247</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Strategize &amp; Socialize: The Ultimate Game Night</b></p> <p>20 available.</p> <p>Join us for an evening of fun, laughter, and friendly competition at our home with a thrilling mix of classic favorites and new discoveries in the world of board games. Whether you're a strategy master or a casual player, there's something for everyone! Dive into a variety of games, from classic strategy challenges to cooperative adventures, all while enjoying snacks and refreshments. This is the perfect opportunity to unwind, make new friends, and showcase your gaming skills. We will have food and drinks! Event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, June 14, 2025 - 5:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Hillary Valor.</p>
<b>248</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Let's Play Spades!</b></p> <p>10 available.</p> <p>Come join for what after a couple of years has become an infamous night of cards. If you don't know how to play, we'll teach you (the sharks are always looking for fresh meat). Refreshments and beverages included, of course. Event in The Woodlands. DATE: Saturday, June 21, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Rusty and Kate Rhoad.</p>
<b>249</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<p><b>2nd Annual Holiday Cookie Party in July</b></p> <p>15 available.</p> <p>Join me and let's celebrate Holidays in July with a cookie decorating party! This is a very informal event all ages (kids under 5 may require assistance from an adult). I will supply an array of holiday cookies, icings and sprinkles, and let's have fun! We will listen to holiday music and decorate cookies! I will provide light snacks and enough supplies for everyone to decorate and take home 6 cookies. Cookie Decorating can be very relaxing - especially when all of the prep work is done for</p>



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<b>249</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<p><b>2nd Annual Holiday Cookie Party in July</b>  you! Join us and see what it is about. :) Alcohol-free event in Spring. DATE: Saturday, July 26, 2025 - 10:00 AM. HOSTED BY: Hillary Valor.</p>
<b>250</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Shazam!</b>  20 available.</p> <p>3rd Annual Shazam! This is an interactive game where you compete against the clock and against each other as you attempt to identify the biggest hit songs of all time for prizes and bragging rights! Prizes will be given for both most songs identified and living under a rock (least correct identifications). Come show off your musical knowledge or come confident with random guesses! Snacks and drinks will be provided. BYOB event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, August 16, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Kathryn Donohue, Sara DaSilva, and Monica Foy .</p>
<b>251</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Painting with Papers</b>  5 available.</p> <p>Back after a 5-year hiatus: You've seen the results in the Northwoods Art Gallery, now learn how it's done—and make your first piece. All supplies included, along with drinks and light snacks. If you have done this party before and want to play again, we'll find you something new to “paint.” Event in The Woodlands (art studio on 2nd floor). DATE: Saturday August 23, 2025. 1-5pm. HOSTED BY: Kate Rhoad.</p>
<b>252</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<p><b>Sing Your Heart Out!</b>  50 available.</p> <p>It’s Karaoke time. Bring your favorite song titles, we provide the music, and you play the role of your favorite music star or simply enjoy warming up your vocal cords singing aloud and being proud of your singing. Lyrics will be projected on the large screens as well. You may wish to dress up to follow the original singer or make your own place on stage. You are also invited to listen to the music in your own special way. BYOB and please bring a snack to share. Event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, September 6, 2025—7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Service Auction Team.</p>
<b>253</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Purposefully Wes Anderson</b>  12 available.</p> <p>Come sit under the stars at Villa Foydriguez as we enjoy a cinematic masterpiece by the Houston native film director and visionary, Wes Anderson. This will be our 2nd annual Wes Anderson screening--join the fun! This year's viewing will be The Darjeeling Limited; A year after their Father's funeral, three brothers travel across India by train in an attempt to bond with each other. The Darjeeling Limited boasts an all-star cast including: Owen Wilson, Adrien Brody, Jason Schwartzman, Bill Murray and Angelica Huston. We will serve movie theater concessions, such as popcorn, M&amp;M's, Swedish fish and an assortment of sodas. This is an outdoor event. We will do our best to accommodate the weather. BYOB is welcome. Event at Villa Foydriguez, Conroe. DATE: Saturday, September 20, 2025 - 7:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Monica Foy.</p>
<b>254</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Be a SuperStar!</b>  16 available.</p> <p>When you hear the Northwoods band on the 4th Sunday, have you ever thought, “I want to sing with them? If I could pick my own song, I’d rock like a superstar?” Or “I wish my super-talented kid could sing with them?” Well, here’s your chance. On the night of “Be a Superstar” you or your kid or your whole family can perform a song of your choice with full band back up: Willie B on guitar, Craig Boeker on bass, Rusty Rhoad on keys, and Dustin Jones on drums. You will also</p>

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<b>254</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Be a SuperStar!</b>            have “back up babes” (Molli McMills and Jessica Jones) if requested. Your superstar package includes a song of your choice, help choosing your song/range, 2 rehearsals which include coaching on song production, stage presence, etc if requested, and a video. THINGS TO CONSIDER: 1) Cost – the cost is \$50 for a song (ridiculously cheap!) including a slot to attend, plus you’ll need tickets for additional family members/guests/etc (who might join in the singing). Additional tickets are on the next offering, 255. 2) Song limits: we’re a rock band—we don’t really do techno and stuff. 3) We’ll get with you early enough so you can choose your song and we’ll have time to learn it. 4) If you want to do an original, you’ll have to provide a chart and teach us. 5) You can plan a solo on an instrument instead of singing if that’s your lifelong ambition. Ask if this isn’t clear. BYOB Event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, September 27, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Willie B, Craig Boeker, Rusty Rhoad, Dustin Jones, Molli McMills, Kate Rhoad, and Jessica Jones.</p>
<b>255</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<p><b>Be a SuperStar! (spectators)</b>            50 available.</p> <p>Want to attend Be a SuperStar! and hear some amazing talent? It'll be like "America's Got Talent" only WAY better. Tickets are \$15 for spectators with a maximum of \$45/family (so if you buy 3 tickets, everybody else gets in free). PLUS, bring an appetizer or dessert to share and BYOB (we're providing coffee and soft drinks . . . in addition to the rehearsal time). Please ask if the details aren't clear. BYOB Event at Northwoods. DATE: Saturday, September 27, 2025 - 6:30 PM. HOSTED BY: Willie B, Craig Boeker, Rusty Rhoad, Dustin Jones, Molli McMills, Kate Rhoad, and Jessica Jones.</p>
<b>256</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Halloween Candy Wine Tasting</b>            16 available.</p> <p>Halloween Candy Wine Tasting: Have you ever asked yourself what wine goes with this Twix? We can get together and taste wines, cheeses and Halloween Candy and find out. We will have a salad bar dinner and wine, cheese, candy dessert. Event in Conroe. DATE: Saturday, October 11, 2025 - 6:00 PM. HOSTED BY: Anne Chancey.</p>
<b>257</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Your Yard Does Not Hate You!</b>            3 available.</p> <p>Mark Holt, a licensed irrigator and certified permaculture guy, with 30+ years of landscape and lawn maintenance experience, will walk your yard with you and make suggestions on how to make your yard a happy yard! Session at your residence. Date as agreed on by participants. OFFERED BY: Mark Holt.</p>
<b>258</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<p><b>Disney Princess Karaoke</b>            8 available.</p> <p>Who’s your inner Disney Princess? Come sing karaoke in a private room at Ale &amp; Ivy on Sawdust. We will sing as many Disney songs as makes our hearts content. Dress up (cosplay or other) or not! Event at Ale &amp; Ivy in The Woodlands. Date as agreed on by participants. HOSTED BY: Sara DaSilva and Rev Sarah.</p>
<b>259</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Introduction to Learning to Play the Piano</b></p> <p>Maybe your child wants to play the piano, but you don’t want to sign up for a month or year of lessons until you are sure they are serious. Terry Meyer is offering two 30-minute lessons that will introduce the student to the keyboard, notation and playing form basics. Lessons to be held at Terry’s house in Spring. Recommended that they be taken a week or 2 apart. Alcohol-free event in</p>

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<b>259</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Introduction to Learning to Play the Piano</b> Spring. Date as agreed on by participants. OFFERED BY: Terry Meyer.</p>
<b>260</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Face Painting for YOUR Event!</b> 2 available.</p> <p>I am a fun and accomplished painter of faces of all ages, if I say so myself. I will paint the faces of people at your event on a date to be agreed on by us. I bring all the stuff, plus a positive attitude and lots of creativity. Has to be on a day when I can make it. This would be fun for a sports team, birthday party, teen dance, or any event with people who like to express themselves. Two hours of my time and talent is all yours! I can do this for two events this year. Event at Your venue. Date is whenever your party is. OFFERED BY: Susan Blackmore.</p>
<b>261</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Stone Reading</b> 2 available.</p> <p>Puzzled about your circumstances? Judy is clairaudient and uses psychic abilities to read the stones' energy as they are thrown into a circle by the inquirer. It takes about 30-45 minutes depending upon the questions asked and subsequent discussions. Time and location to be agreed upon at purchaser's convenience. Alcohol-free event at agreed upon location and date. HOSTED BY: Judy Bunch.</p>
<b>262</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Sushi-making workshop</b> 3 available.</p> <p>We will create delicate, subtle, American-style sushi rolls using a variety of (vegetarian) ingredients and then we will enjoy these creative rolls with samples of different types of Japanese sake (or green tea). Event in The Woodlands. Date as agreed upon by participants. HOSTED BY: Gene Halleck.</p>
<b>263</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Koto workshop: Exploring Japanese music</b> 5 available.</p> <p>This workshop will include 3 one-hour group sessions where participants will be introduced to Japanese music. First we will learn to read Japanese music notation (it is really very easy!). Then we will learn to play simple folk songs and some classical melodies on the koto (a six foot long, 13-stringed zither from Japan). Tsume (finger picks) will be provided for each participant. And each person in the group will have her own koto to practice on. The instructor earned her Teaching License and the degree of Master Artist from the Obata International Koto School in San Diego. Alcohol-free event in The Woodlands. Dates as agreed upon by participants. HOSTED BY: Gene Halleck.</p>
<b>264</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Sid &amp; Sarah's Garage Games Getaway</b> 6 available.</p> <p>Break out the pool cues and darts and get ready to toss some bags! Hosted by the minister and her wife, this garage gathering features food, drinks, and plenty of friendly competition. If the weather plays nice, we might even fire up the grill or the fire pit for some extra fun! Good food, great games, and even better company are guaranteed. Food and nonalcoholic drinks will be provided by hosts, and guests are welcome to BYOB. Event in Spring. Dates as agreed upon by participants. HOSTED BY: Sid and Sarah Prickett.</p>

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<b>265</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<p><b>Pop-Art Pet Portraits Party</b> 12 available.</p> <p>Unleash your inner Paw-casso and celebrate the love you have for your furry friends. Even if your art skills aren't purr-fect, this creative endeavor is the perfect opportunity for pet lovers to create a unique work of art while swapping our favorite pet stories and enjoying good company. At this event, you will sample a selection of superior snacks and sips as you are guided through the process of creating a unique and beautiful piece of pet-themed artwork using a printed picture of your pet as inspiration.</p> <p>Whether you have a dog, cat, hamster, or any other beloved pet, this project celebrates your special bond with your animal friend. (This project works with non-furry critters as well!) Alcohol-free event at Northwoods. Date as agreed upon by participants. HOSTED BY: Sarah Prickett.</p>
<b>266</b>	<b>\$90</b>	<p><b>Acrylic Pet Portrait</b> 2 available.</p> <p>Artist Terry Meyer will capture your pet on canvas (12x16) based on a photo you supply. See photo examples. OFFERED BY: Terry Meyer.</p>
<b>267</b>	<b>\$12</b>	<p><b>Renaissance Fair Tickets</b> 12 available.</p> <p>Tickets to the famous Texas Renaissance Festival. Note; these tickets are for 2024; festival runs through the end of November. Donated by Texas Renaissance Festival.</p>
<b>268</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Ticket Pack to the Houston Museum of Natural Science</b> 12 available.</p> <p>"Museum Ticket Pack" from the Houston Museum of Natural Science. The pack includes 3 tickets, one each for the Cockrell Butterfly Center--a stunning 3-story glass structure filled with exotic plants and hundreds of butterflies, the Permanent Exhibit Hall which includes the Hall of Egypt, one of the most diverse collections in the nation, covering 6,000 years of history, and the Burke Baker Planetarium Dome Theatre. No expiration date. A \$46 Value. We've sold these as 6-packs the last couple of years, but this year, buy however many you want. Donated by the Museum.</p>

## *Silent Auction & Baskets*

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<b>1</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>After-Dinner Delights</b>  Bottles of Baileys Irish Cream Kahlua, chocolate truffles and gourmet cookies. The perfect finish to a special dinner. Or maybe just skip dinner. A \$100 value. Donated by Linda Schooley
<b>2</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>For Long-distance Puzzlers</b>  Four 1000-piece jigsaw puzzles and one 3000 pieces. Plus candy to sustain you for hours of fun. Two small wooden puzzles if you get frustrated with the big ones. Estimated Value: \$120. Donated by Terry Meyer
<b>3</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Banned Books Bonanza</b>  You can start your own lending library of banned books, including classics such as Brave New World and The Diary of Anne Frank. "Basket" includes a hand-made wooden shelf, a tote bag and a tee shirt to show off your true colors, A \$135 value. Donated by Buy the Book.
<b>4</b>	<b>\$80</b>	<b>Let's Go Travel Bag</b>  Roomy TAG fabric bag filled with all your travel needs. Inside are bags for laundry, shoes, make-up and curling iron, plus bottles for toiletries--and more. Plus there's a neck pillow, travel blanket, crossword book and journal to make flight time fly by. Camera Lens Cup, Travel unscented deodorant wipes; Wanderlust portable speaker. Valued at \$470.
<b>5</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Crazy for Crepes</b>  You will be ready to make breakfast or brunch for a crowd. A Cuisinart Crepes Maker will speed things along and mimosa mix will make it more fun. Also included are pancake mix (4) and Crown Maple syrup (2). \$250 worth of goodies. Donated by Krista Henkel-Selph
<b>6</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>Carry-On and Keep Calm</b>  Inside this sturdy carry-on bag are lots of items to help destress your travels: neck pillow and blanket, compression socks, crosswords, a journal, a water bottle and more. Estimated Value: \$105.
<b>8</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Tea for Two Basket</b>  Whimsical cat-themed porcelain teapot with 2 cups and saucers. A wide variety of teas in tins and single servings. And what would be teatime without cookies? Also included. Estimated Value: \$175. Donated by Krista Henkel-Selph & Celeste McDonell
<b>9</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Make Mine Coffee!</b>  Whimsical cat-themed mugs and a to-go cup ready to be filled with Starbucks (2), spiked with Baileys. Long after the coffee's gone, you'll treasure the unique basket, hand-made by Susan Olver. Valued at \$180.
<b>10</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Jigsaws for Pros</b>  Five 1000-pieces puzzles and candy to sweeten the challenge. \$80 worth of goodies.

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<b>11</b>	<b>\$45</b>	<b>Survive and Thrive</b>  Take this crate with you on a camping trip or keep it at home for the next big storm. You'll be prepared with an emergency weather radio and water storage cubes (2), Duracell lantern and flashlights, ponchos (4), a USB serial adapter, a blanket, can opener and matches! Estimated Value: \$135.
<b>12</b>	<b>\$80</b>	<b>Your Own Irish Bar Basket</b>  Start with a bottle of Bushmills Irish whiskey, then the bartending tools: a beautiful decanter, 4 glasses, a flask and cocktail shaker. Add-ins include dried blood oranges and bitters. Wear your logo tee-shirt (2, men's large) and write about it in your moleskin journal (2). \$200 worth of good stuff. Donated by A Friend of Northwoods
<b>13</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>TINCUP Mountain Whiskey Backpack</b>  It's TINCUP all the way! Nestled in this sturdy backpack: a shot cup, whiskey pourer, 4 tin cups and a logo hat. And, of course, a bottle of TINCUP rye! Valued at \$180. Donated by A Friend of Northwoods
<b>16</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>A Box of Ancient Treasures</b>  Geologist Terry Leyenberger curated the collection of fossils and minerals in this attractive box. What's inside? Ask Terry, he says this offering is priceless! Estimated Value: \$Priceless. Donated by Terry Leyenberger
<b>17</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Irish Coffee and Irish Cream Basket</b>  Start with a bottle of Bushmills Black Bush Irish Whiskey. Prepare special Irish Cream ground coffee in the beautiful copper French press coffee maker and serve in authentic Irish Whiskey glasses. The basket also includes a copper-toned cocktail shaker and a bottle of Irish Cream Liqueur. Slainte! \$145 worth of good stuff. Donated by A Friend of Northwoods
<b>19</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Breakfast Basket</b>  Wake up with a Keurig coffee maker (and pod holder) and start cooking on your Bella electric griddle. There's a glass pitcher for juice, a slicer for your bagel, a butter dish, bunny tea towels and other items to brighten your morning. Estimated Value: \$170. Donated by Krista
<b>20</b>	<b>\$65</b>	<b>Beauty Basket #1 (Mirror Mirror)</b>  This basket features a slim lighted mirror, along with an array of beauty products to help you put your best face forward. Sunscreen, toner, foundation, soap, oils and lotions. Lots of scents and products to try out. Facial cleansing device. A \$300 value.
<b>21</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Beauty Basket #2 (Splish Splash)</b>  This zippered bag holds an array of products to make bath or shower time more pleasurable. Mitts, sponges, bath bombs, soaps, gel and more. Mudmasky Melting Mud cleansing mask. Estimated Value: \$190. Donated by A Friend of Northwoods
<b>22</b>	<b>\$70</b>	<b>Beauty Basket #3 (Something Special)</b>  What makes this basket special is the ZEISS sunglasses (\$100 value). Also special are the

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<b>22</b>	<b>\$70</b>	<b>Beauty Basket #3 (Something Special)</b> beautiful scented soap petals, royal jelly and tongue cleaner! The basket also features a number of hair care products. Check it out. Valued at \$225. Donated by Krista
<b>23</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Beauty Basket #4 (Hair Hair)</b>  Regular and travel-sized hair-care products in a cute hat box. Plus a straightening wand and a neck pillow (so you can rest without disturbing your coif). Estimated Value: \$180.
<b>24</b>	<b>\$95</b>	<b>Merry Christmas Basket</b>  A basket of all sorts of items to make your home merry and bright. Ceramics: a snowman platter, a pair of Doni Langlois Christmas trees, candle holders and a swan ornament. Gold threaded fabrics to decorate your table. A cookie press you'll use year-round. Enjoy the (\$40) bottle of Daou Special Reserve Chardonnay while you trim the tree. And there's even more in this basket--which you can also use to hold presents. \$280 worth of goodies.
<b>25</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Kitchen Accessories Galore</b>  This basket has just what you need for entertaining with flair. Start with an elegant table runner, add a bread warmer, a unique olive wood olive tray, 4 stainless steel spoons and drinking straws and a cheese knife set. You'll also enjoy the kitchen items: hand blender, kitchen towel and soap dispenser. Estimated Value: \$210.
<b>27</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Fun for Younger Folk</b>  Introduce Raggedy Ann and Andy to a new generation. The classic dolls are accompanied by a Curious George shower curtain and matching trash can. Also included: a play tent, puzzle and framed wall hanging. Valued at \$160.
<b>28</b>	<b>\$65</b>	<b>Go Out in Style</b>  This collection features a zippered Coach purse and sunglasses, an ID pouch keychain and lanyard. Go out in style or stay home and enjoy the bottle of wine and jigsaw puzzle and have fun trying out the numerous beauty product samples. \$200 worth of goodies.
<b>29</b>	<b>\$140</b>	<b>Valentine Basket</b>  This attractive metal basket holds a Gucci bag and Silhouette sunglasses. To make your sweetie feel extra special, there are also tins of candy, a heart motif tea towel and a scent diffuser. Valued at \$475.
<b>30</b>	<b>\$90</b>	<b>At Home or On the Go (for kids 6-10)</b>  At home, put on your adorable Squishmallows slippers and enjoy a Quordle puzzle (2) or a 5-minute story book (3 different) or the Mickey and Me DVD. For on the go, there's a Sherpa backpack, a water bottle and Brica kick mats. Plus 10 pairs of socks and a sweatshirt, all in a bright pink tub. \$285 worth of good stuff.
<b>31</b>	<b>\$66</b>	<b>Everything Yoga Basket</b>  This colorful yoga mat will make you the envy of your classmates or inspire your home practice. The basket includes a yoga DVD and 2 books, a wooden pillow, a journal, an insulated cup and other fun things. Estimated Value: \$200.

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<b>32</b>	<b>\$80</b>	<p><b>Toddler Treasures</b></p> <p>Toddlers love plush toys and this basket has 3, big and little Olaf and their froggy friend. A variety of books, including a beautiful “keepsake collection” Mother Goose. A tee shirt, a card game, a Pop! Toy and that’s not all!. \$75 gift certificate to The Learning Zoo. \$260 worth of goodies.</p>
<b>33</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<p><b>Your Own Mini Bar</b></p> <p>This sturdy basket holds a GIANT margarita glass with 18 mini liquor bottles. It’s the start of a fun party or a good way to find your new favorite drink. Estimated Value: \$100.</p>
<b>35</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>Self Care Basket</b></p> <p>Find calm, relaxation and inspiration for your mind and body. Books and cards will provide daily insights. Massagers in different shapes will help you destress from head to toe. Plus for fun, a Doni Langlois handmade ceramic heart rattle, a key chain and a simmer pot. Valued at \$150.</p>
<b>36</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<p><b>Celebrate Going out for Steaks</b></p> <p>Pop the cork on the bottle of KORBEL bubbly and enjoy it in the 2 Champagne flutes. Then go out to LongHorn Steakhouse--again and again. The basket includes several LongHorn Steakhouse gift cards totaling \$170! Estimated Value: \$200.</p>
<b>37</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>For Lovers of White Wine</b></p> <p>A collection of 3 white wines and one blush, plus a Rabbit wine opener kit and 2 crackle-glass glasses. You will treasure the wrought metal basket with handles long after the wine is just a memory. A \$125 value.</p>
<b>38</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<p><b>Penzeys Sampler</b></p> <p>Take home this sampler of Penzeys famous spice blends and use them liberally. There’s a \$50 gift card so you can buy more! Plus, a salt and pepper shaker set. Valued at \$100. Donated by Kate Rhoad</p>
<b>39</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<p><b>Fun For Teens</b></p> <p>Something for every teen or every teen mood. Roller blades and Razor heel wheels (skates) for outdoor fun. Games for indoor fun and competition: Zombicide, Flash Point, Mixtape and jumbo playing cards. For quiet times, coloring books and crayons. And for “why not”? a Star Trek Bluetooth Communicator. \$360 worth of goodies.</p>
<b>40</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<p><b>My Big Fat Gay Basket</b></p> <p>So many ways to share your Pride vibe: rainbow bunting to hang, flags to wave and a tee shirt (L) to wear. Rainbow mugs for the adults and an adorable plush unicorn. 2 books and a DVD not available at your local library. The “basket” (an attractive canvas hamper) also holds a sassy tote bag and assortment of travel pouches. Valued at \$200.</p>
<b>41</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<p><b>Santa and Friend Basket</b></p> <p>Get out of your Christmas decorating rut! These hand-crafted Santa and Inuit sculptures along 4 “birch” flameless candles will create a striking focal point for your holiday decor. The Doni Langlois frosted blue ceramic Christmas trees (2) will also make a statement. All are contained in</p>



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<b>41</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Santa and Friend Basket</b> a large Santa-themed tub. Estimated Value: \$225.
<b>42</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Buddha Basket</b>  This beautiful basket includes a stunning embroidered pillow, a happy Buddha statue and a carved stone to contemplate or rub. A gift card for a \$90 massage from Sandra Dome will help you relax. A meditation CD, a book of Rumi poetry and a set of Karma cards will awaken or sooth your spirit. \$225 worth of good stuff.
<b>43</b>	<b>\$65</b>	<b>For Fun and Brain Health</b>  This apple basket offers hours of fun, fellowship and challenges: 4 1000-piece puzzles and 4 stimulating games: Cards Against Humanity, Bucket of Doom, The Metagame and adult game for couples: Where Should We Begin? A \$205 value.
<b>44</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>Asian Treasures Basket</b>  This unique metal and raffia lidded basket holds a \$50 gift card for Phat Eatery restaurant and beautiful eastern treasures for your home. Inside are a set of exquisite lacquered bowls, a ginger jar, a sake set, plus an embroidered cloth bag and an extra-large Phat Eatery tee shirt. Estimated Value: \$110.
<b>45</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>At Home Fitness</b>  You can bike indoors, rain or shine or summer heat, with this "Cycleinn Fluid Bike Trainer Stand for Indoor Riding with Noise Reduction" to support your bike. Or strap on your Round boxing gloves (2 pair) and spar with a friend. Official Astro cap also included. Valued at \$230.
<b>46</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>African Art Basket</b>  To save you the trip to Africa or inspire you to go, this basket is a treasure trove of African art: 2 cloth wall hangings, 2 painted bowls, a mask, 3 gourd shakers, a zebra dish, a goddess to contemplate and a carved hand mirror. An African themed shoulder bag, a unique armadillo leather clutch bag and a set of hand-crafted paper complete the collection. You can admire your collection while sipping Amarula cream liqueur -- unique to South Africa. Added Necklace from World Market (\$30). \$230 worth of good stuff.
<b>47</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Bed &amp; Bath Collection</b>  Upgrade your linen closet with a set of king-size checked sheets, fish motif shower curtain and a shag bath mat. Relax on the appliqué flowered pillow and read a Marie Kondo guide to upgrading your life. Also includes a Weighted Blanket Estimated Value: \$175.
<b>48</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Spirituality Basket</b>  To fully engage your mind, body and spirit: 6 inspirational and thought-provoking books. Ceramic heart rattle, tray and vase by Doni Langlois. 3 scented candles and a hand-dyed silk scarf. Valued at \$285.
<b>50</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Puzzles for Adults</b>  Or maybe a team of adults! 5 beautiful 1000-piece puzzles. Plus 2 bottles of non-alcoholic wine--so you can sip and still maintain your focus. Estimated Value: \$90.

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<b>51</b>	<b>\$95</b>	<b>Cat Basket</b>  Treasures for cats and those who love them. For the kitties: a 3-tiered cat kennel and a Drink Well mini water fountain. For cat-crazy folks: 7 cat books, including an Encyclopedia of Cats, 2 cat-themed mugs, 3 tea towels, a photo album, puzzle, book bag, wall hangings, a large, colorful ceramic cat...and that's not all! Adorable Cat Cup for Coffee. Valued at \$300.
<b>52</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>Lounge in Halston</b>  Size large, black velveteen robe over silk pajama set with red paisley accents. Estimated Value: \$100.
<b>53</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Celebrate in Isaac Mizrahi</b>  Size small Christmas themed pajamas, plus a gray pair of slippers An \$80 value.
<b>54</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Oriental Village Silk Robe</b>  Lightweight silk, turquoise peacock/floral. Size medium. Valued at \$80.
<b>55</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Just Like in the Movies</b>  Slink around your boudoir in this Neiman Marcus silk/rayon gold-tone long nightgown and robe. Size medium. Estimated Value: \$180.
<b>56</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Celebrate Valentine's Day</b>  ...in Valerie Stephens red silk pajamas. Size large. Plus a neutral tone pashmina shawl, great fashion accessory or to snuggle in at home. A \$150 value.
<b>57</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>Papinelle PJs</b>  Size small, in a super-soft floral-patterned fabric. Estimated Value: \$180.
<b>58</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>Lounge in Jones of NY</b>  Size small. Silky lounge set with paisley pajamas and a turquoise robe. Plus a large soft striped shawl. You'll never want to leave your bedroom. Valued at \$110.
<b>59</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>100 Stars Silk Robe</b>  Size medium. Exquisite bird-motif robe with pockets. A \$150 value.
<b>63</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>Social Justice</b>  To promote peace and harmony in your meditation space, the Social Justice Committee has donated a variety of forms of incense, sage, smudge and spray. There's a Sue Ridgway holder for incense sticks and an open-hand ceramic holder for cones. \$135 worth of good stuff.
<b>65</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>For Lovers of Rose</b>  Picnic anyone? Enjoy these 2 bottles of rose al fresco. The basket includes 4 wine carriers: one for a pair of bottles, one roll-up and 2 bags, Also included, plastic wine glasses and clever lids to

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<b>65</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>For Lovers of Rose</b> protect your drink from jealous insects. Valued at \$125.
<b>66</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Randall's Basket</b>  Inside this beautiful basket are 2 bottles of special wine, Laughing Cow cheese, an assortment of crackers and chocolate, Peet's coffee and fig spread. Enjoy! Estimated Value: \$155.
<b>67</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Trader Joe's</b>  A cute reusable bag stuffed with tasty treats. Pasta and sauce, lots of snack items both savory and sweet. Chocolates! All good stuff! A \$40 value.
<b>69</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Beer Basket</b>  All you need is ice and a few friends or neighbors! This large Igloo cooler is filled with 2 6-packs of special brews, a large bag of beer nuts, a beer bank, 4 assorted mugs and a set of coasters. Great for tailgating! Estimated Value: \$45.
<b>71</b>	<b>\$35</b>	<b>Kitchen Basket</b>  Just what the new apartment dweller needs to start cooking. A 7-piece T-fal set of pans and lids, an excellent Cutco knife, silicone baking mat, a Spongebath sanitizer and some small kitchen essentials. Plus a decorative wine-bottle holder (wine included!) and 2 cookbooks -- one for Weight Watchers and another featuring international recipes. \$115 worth of goodies.
<b>72</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Summer Picnic Basket</b>  Put on your Panama Jack sun hat and head out to picnic or garden. The lidded picnic basket holds an insulated stackable lunch canister, a vintage Everest Air Pot and a cheese plate. Also included, gardening gloves and a variety of seed packets. Plus a bottle of Wilson Creek sparkling Shiraz (\$55). Estimated Value: \$160.
<b>73</b>	<b>\$45</b>	<b>Cozy Winter Night Basket</b>  Snuggle up with a fleece blanket and wool shawl and enjoy cocoa bombs in the pair of owl-motif mugs. The elegant flickering forest tea-light holder and Free to Roam soy candle will provide just the right ambiance. Estimated Value: \$145.
<b>74</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Barbie Doll House + Furniture + Car</b>  This sturdy doll house is big enough for Barbie and Ken and lots of friends. There's even an elevator! Some furniture is included. There's also a fun convertible and a Barbie to drive it. \$130 worth of goodies.
<b>75</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>Vodka &amp; Gin Martini Basket</b>  Two Titmice Vodka - \$29.99; 4 Martini Glasses - \$8; Pergote Gin - \$14.49; Grassotti Vermouth - \$15.99; Sable & Rosenfield Tipsey Onions - \$4.99; Santa Barbara Martini Olives - \$4.99; Assorted short picks - \$5.99 Estimated Value: \$85.

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<b>78</b>	<b>\$70</b>	<p><b>Family Night Basket Hamper</b></p> <p>This roomy sports equipment hamper is loaded with games for hours of fun with family and friends. The collection includes: Ticket to Ride, Dragomino, Kingdomino, Happy City, Shadow Kitty, Double Shut the Box, Totem and 6 jigsaw puzzles. Find your new favorite pastime and keep everyone off their screens! \$230 worth of goodies.</p>
<b>79</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Relaxation Spa Basket Hamper</b></p> <p>This attractive canvas hamper is loaded with gear to enhance a sense of relaxation and serenity. A Scentsy brand Shooting Star warmer and melts will provide aromatherapy. Trapp candle and glass candle centerpiece will delight the eye. Included among other personal products: a spa scrub set, mug and teas, green tea cleansing wipes, a gel eye mask. The book Who Are You? 101 Ways of Seeing Yourself and Rifle Paper memo pad will encourage reflection. Estimated Value: \$175.</p>
<b>80</b>	<b>\$80</b>	<p><b>Wellness Galore Basket</b></p> <p>Mira arm wrestled her favorite functional wellness companies into sending products to assemble this basket. Estimated Value: \$350. Donated by Pure Essentials and others.</p>
<b>81</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<p><b>Specialized Cleaning Basket</b></p> <p>This basket is full of Force of Nature and TrulyFree Holistically Healthy cleaning products -- better for your family and the environment. The basket is a handy carrying case. A \$75 value.</p>
<b>82</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<p><b>Southern Star Brewery Bonanza</b></p> <p>Gather all your beer-loving friends! This collection includes 8 6-packs of Conroe's own Southern Star Brewery craft beers, a variety to please every beer drinker. You could also store them while you decide which is your favorite! Plus cork coasters. An \$80 value.</p>
<b>83</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<p><b>Basket of Elegance</b></p> <p>Bring elegance to your next party with a vintage Tiffany crystal punch bowl and 4 Libbey cocktail glasses with floral design. You'll be ready to toast your next big event with a bottle of a French favorite, Veuve Clicquot brut champagne. \$330 worth of good stuff.</p>
<b>84</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Coffee and Cocktail Syrup Collection</b></p> <p>This sturdy crate holds 9 large bottles of tasty syrups in a variety of flavors: rosé, blueberry and vanilla, among others. Great for making cocktails or just making fizzy water extra special. Pump dispensers included. Estimated Value: \$100.</p>
<b>85</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<p><b>Art Inspiration Basket</b></p> <p>Just what you need to inspire creativity: A coloring book and 10 others designed for the artist or artist to be. A Doni Langlois floral tile (with display easel) and a Lladro squirrel will beautify your surroundings. Also included, a beautiful puzzle, candle and art pens Value around \$100.</p>
<b>86</b>	<b>\$70</b>	<p><b>Bracelet and Earrings</b></p> <p>Robichau's Jewelry offers this elegant set by Elle. Sterling silver with rose quartz and cubic zirconia. Perfect for those who don't like heavy jewelry. Valued at \$230.</p>

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<b>87</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Necklace &amp; Earring Set</b>  Kendra Scott Gold Necklas with clear crystals and matching hoop Earrings A \$145 value. Donated by Ace Hardware.
<b>88</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Sterling Silver Bracelet</b>  Adorned with pale green and clear cubic zirconia. Estimated Value: \$50.
<b>89</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Uno 50 Necklace</b>  Handmade in Spain with artisan process using silver-plated metal alloy over copper. Silver, beads and pendant make a bold fashion statement. Donated by Anne Chancey. Valued at \$150.
<b>90</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Coffee Olé Olé</b>  Direct from Honduras: 8 packages of coffee (beans and ground), plus 2 marine-life themed mugs and 2 mini bottles of liqueur (Baileys and Kahlua). Estimated Value: \$90.
<b>91</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<b>UU Books</b>  Who wrote "Mary Had a Little Lamb"? The Lorax? Peter Rabbit? Who is "credited with "discovering" oxygen & breathing life into the new concept of democracy? Who introduced a revolutionary cookbook in 1896 and the concept of level measurements? All UUs. Enjoy a taste of the original ideas and passions of UUs& humanist friends in this basket of books, including a puzzle of Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater. Donated by Teresa Allen. A \$40 value.
<b>92</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>Citrine 14 carat Gold Ring</b>  Large Citrine Stone set in 14 carat gold; Size 6.5 Valued at \$160.
<b>94</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Light Blue Topaz earrings set in sterling silver</b>  Light Blue Topaz earrings set in sterling silver. Valued at \$50.
<b>95</b>	<b>\$90</b>	<b>Mystic Topaz pendant and earrings set in 14 carat gold; chain is gold-plated over silver</b>  Mystic Topaz pendant and earrings set in 14 carat gold; chain is gold-plated over silver. Estimated Value: \$250.
<b>96</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Sango Classical Guitar, Model S-10</b>  Classical Guitar with extra strings and an instruction manual. A \$130 value.
<b>97</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Hands Off My Uterus Bundle</b>  Reproductive Rights! Body Autonomy! Hands off my Uterus! Equal Treatment for All Birthing Women! Are you fired up? This Handmaid's Tale Bag contains a handful of provocative books about reproductive freedom. Included are: Ejaculate Responsibly, I'm Sorry for My Loss, Invisible Women, and Pregnant While Black. Valued at \$50. Donated by Sara DaSilva

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<b>98</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Kendra Scott Earrings</b> Astoria Drop Dangle Earrings in Teal Agate Estimated Value: \$60. Donated by Ace Hardware.
<b>101</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>True Food Kitchen Gift Card</b> \$100 Gift Cart for True Food Kitchen in the Woodlands. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>102</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Village Books Gift Card</b> \$100 gift card from Village Books. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 yrs
<b>103</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Cinemark Gift Card</b> \$50 gift card from Cinemark. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>104</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Cinemark Gift Card</b> \$50 gift card from Cinemark. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>105</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Lowe's Gift Card</b> \$100 gift card from Lowe's. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>106</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Dick's Sporting Goods Gift Card</b> \$100 gift card from Dick's Sporting Goods. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>107</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Bath &amp; Body Works Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card from Bath & Body Works. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>108</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Starbucks Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card from Starbucks. Donated by The Women's Book Club, a Northwoods institution for 23 years.
<b>109</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Target Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card from Target. Donated by Mary Branson
<b>110</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Torchy's Taco--Free Tacos</b> 12 gift cards, each for 1 taco from Torchy's Tacos. Value: \$84. Donated by Torchy's Tacos.

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<b>111</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Honey Baked Ham Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Honey Baked Ham.
<b>114</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Chiller Bee Frozen Yogart Gift Chips</b> Eight \$5 gift chips donated by Chiller Bee Frozen Yogurt.
<b>115</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>El Chaparro Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by El Chaparro Mexican Bar & Grill
<b>116</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<b>Palace Nails Bar Gift Certificate</b> 3 x \$10 gift cards for any service. Donated by Palace Nails Bar
<b>117</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Herrerias Mexican Restaurant Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Herrerias Mexican Restaurant
<b>118</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Herrerias Mexican Restaurant Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Herrerias Mexican Restaurant
<b>119</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Herrerias Mexican Restaurant Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Herrerias Mexican Restaurant
<b>120</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Jason's Deli Gift Card</b> \$20 gift card for and donated by Jason's Deli
<b>121</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Texas Roadhouse Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Texas Roadhouse
<b>122</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Cafe Express Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Cafe Express
<b>123</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Cafe Express Gift Card</b> \$25 gift card for and donated by Cafe Express
<b>124</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>PL Nails Gift Certificate</b> \$25 gift certificate, good for any service. Donated by PL Nails & Day Spa
<b>125</b>	<b>\$5</b>	<b>D'Luxe Nails and Spa Gift Certificate</b> \$20 gift certificate, good for any service Donated by D'Luxe Nails and Spa.

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<b>127</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Total Wine &amp; More Gift Card</b>  \$25 gift card for Total Wine & More. Donated by Susan Olver
<b>128</b>	<b>\$70</b>	<b>Stretch Zone Gift Certificate</b>  Different from stretching at home, practitioner-assisted stretching is a personalized routine performed by trained practitioners. Using our patented strapping system and proprietary tables to position, stabilize and isolate muscles, our certified staff delivers a life-changing stretch experience to help you move efficiently and effortlessly. Simply put, we do all the work, you get all the benefits. 2 Sessions. \$170 Value. Donated by The Stretch Zone
<b>129</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>Bernhardt Winery Wine Flight</b>  A Wine Flight for 10 guests at the Bernhardt Winery in Plantersville, Texas. A \$150 value. Donated by Bernhardt Winery
<b>130</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>DeepRoots Vineyards Tickets</b>  2 Tickets for any DeepRoots Vineyards Live Music Events. Includes 1 bottle of DeepRoots Wine of choice and 2 souvenir wine glasses. Deep Roots is a unique music venue in Plantersville, Texas. See their website <a href="http://Deeprootsvineyards.com">Deeprootsvineyards.com</a> for details. Please note: expires 12/31/24. An \$80 Value. Donated by Deep Roots Vineyards
<b>131</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Millbend Coffee House Table</b>  A Table for 6 for any upcoming concert. Donated by Teresa Allen
<b>132</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Activate Game Room Adventure</b>  Games for up to 5 people at Activate in Katy. Each dynamic game room has interactive technology that reacts in real time, ensuring an adrenaline-filled, physically-active adventure. Customize your experience. Check out <a href="http://playactivate.com/katy">playactivate.com/katy</a> to learn more about this exciting opportunity. Tickets good Mon-Thurs. A \$250 value. Donated by Activate.
<b>133</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>Altitude Trampoline Park</b>  Ten 1-hour passes to the Altitude Trampoline Park in Spring. From dodgeball to battle beam, digital experiences and more - there's a perfect type of play for every high flyin' pro. The perfect birthday party. A \$150 Value. Donated by Altitude Trampoline Park.
<b>134</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Woodlands Health Market Gift Card</b>  \$25 gift card from Woodlands Health Market: Health & Wellness Shop. Donated by Kate Rhoad.
<b>135</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>The Ferm Meadery Mead Tour and Tasting</b>  Tour and tasting for 6 at the Ferm Meadery. Includes a tour of the production area and samples of Ferm meads. Meadery is located in Conroe. A \$65 Value. Donated by The Ferm Meadery.
<b>136</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Box It Gift Certificate</b>  \$100 worth of gift wrapping at Box It in the Woodlands. Donated by Box It



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<b>138</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Stage Right Productions Tickets</b>  2 Tickets to any Stage Right performance at the Historic Crighton Theatre in Conroe. Performances include Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Big - The Musical, Shakespeare in Love, and The Wedding Singer. Expires 7/21/25. A \$60+ value. Donated by Stage Right Productions.
<b>139</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Kirby Ice House Gift Card</b>  \$100 gift card from Kirby Ice House. Donated by Kirby Ice House.
<b>140</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Escape in Time Experience</b>  Any Escape Room for up to 4 people, or comparable value of ax throwing, robot wars, game show, party room rental. Located in The Woodlands. A \$140 value. Donated by Escape in Time.
<b>141</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Escape in Time Experience</b>  Any Escape Room for up to 4 people, or comparable value of ax throwing, robot wars, game show, party room rental. Located in The Woodlands. A \$140 value. Donated by Escape in Time.
<b>142</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>Bowlero Tickets - 3 Coupons</b>  Each coupon is redeemable for 2 hours of unlimited bowling, including shoe rental. Each is valid for 1 person. A \$96 value. Donated by Bowlero.
<b>143</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>ProCare Nails Certificate</b>  Good for 1 Manicure and Pedicure. Diane is a delight. Located on Sawdust Road. \$55 value. Donated by ProCare.
<b>144</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Rolon Law Firm Estate Planning Consultation</b>  A complimentary estate planning consultation. Learn how we can help you find the estate planning package best for your needs. If you decide to engage the firm to draft and execute your estate plan after the consultation, you will get a \$450 discount. Donated by Rolon Law Firm.
<b>145</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Blackwood Sporting Co. Shooting Package</b>  2-person sporting clay shooting outing, and 2 rifle/pistol range passes. Located in Conroe, Texas. A \$135 value. Donated by Blackwood Sporting Co.
<b>146</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Two Tickets to the Music Box Theater</b>  At the Houston Music Box Theatre, experience seriously good live music performed by folks "who don't take themselves too seriously." Enjoy a variety of songs you know from across the decades interspersed with an incomparable comic sensibility. \$104 Value. Donated by Rud & Shari Merriam.
<b>147</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>3 month Family Membership to YMCA</b>  A 3-month family membership for the YMCA. Branch Crossing or Shadowbend. Classes, youth teams, and more. Please redeem by 2/28/25. A \$369 value. Donated by Judith Bartock

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<b>148</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Macy's Gift Card</b> \$25 Gift Card from and donated by Macy's.
<b>149</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Bath &amp; Body Works Gift Card</b> \$25 Gift Card from and donated by Bath and Body Works.
<b>150</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Ulta Beauty Gift Card</b> \$25 Gift Card from and donated by Ulta Beauty.
<b>151</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Intuitive Neuro-Heart Art Group Session</b> "Simple," playful, intuitive neuro-heart art group session for up to 6 people. 2-2.5 hours. From the Spirit Walk LLC Alternative Medicine Group in The Woodlands. A \$410 value. Donated by Nicolle Perrotto, Spirit Walk LLC.
<b>152</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Private Group Acupuncture (up to 5 people)</b> Stress Relief/Body Balancing Private Group Acupuncture (up to 5 people). 1.5-2 hours. From the Spirit Walk LLC Alternative Medicine Group in The Woodlands. A \$495 value. Donated by Nicolle Perrotto, Spirit Walk LLC.
<b>153</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>Elite Gift Certificate</b> Visia Skin Analysis and Customized Facial. Donated by Elite Medical Skin and Laser Center. A \$199 value.
<b>154</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Houston Zoo Tickets</b> 6 General admission tickets to the Houston Zoo. A perfect family outing or birthday party. Good until 10/7/2025. A \$180 value. Donated by Houston Zoo.
<b>155</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>El Bosque Mexican Grill Gift Card</b> \$25 Gift Card for and donated by El Bosque Mexican Grill.
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<b>157</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Amazon Gift Card</b> \$50 Gift Card for Amazon. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
<b>158</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Uber Eats Gift Card</b> \$50 Gift Card for Uber Eats. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
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<b>160</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Cheesecake Factory Gift Card</b> \$100 Gift Card for Cheesecake Factory. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
<b>161</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Amazon Gift Card</b> \$50 Gift Card for Amazon. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
<b>162</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>DoorDash Gift Card</b> \$50 Gift Card for DoorDash. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
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<b>164</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Carrabba's Italian Grill Gift Card</b> \$100 Gift Card for Carrabba's Italian Grill. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
<b>165</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>Bonefish Grill Gift Card</b> \$100 Gift Card for Bonefish Grill. Donated by Celeste Thomas.
<b>166</b>	<b>\$40</b>	<b>2 Dozen Decorated Cookies for Your Party or Event</b> 2 available.  I will decorate 2 dozen sugar cookies with royal icing for your party or Event. I can match your colors and theme. They will come individually packaged and ready to serve. Item must be used within 12 months with at least a two week notice. Events around holidays are subject to availability. Value: \$90 to \$120.
<b>167</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Agave Bundle</b>  1 Bottle each of El Tequileño Blanco and Xicaru Silver Mezcal Artesanal. A \$60 Value. Donated by WB Liquor.
<b>168</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>Vodka Bundle</b>  1 Bottle each of Hanson Espresso Organic Vodka, Dripping Springs Vodka, and Dripping Springs Artisan Lemon Vodka. \$75 value. Donated by WB Liquor.
<b>169</b>	<b>\$20</b>	<b>So You Grew up on Boone's Farm, Did'ja?</b>  1 Bottle each of Thunder Bitch Cinnamon & Chili Liqueur, Sugarlands Sippin' Cream Strawberry, and Sugarlands Shine Mountain Legacy Corn Whiskey. Wild taste adventures await. A \$60 value. Donated by WB Liquor.
<b>170</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Torres Alta Luz Cristalino Brandy</b>  1 Bottle of Torres Alta Luz Cristalino Brandy. A \$50 value. Donated by WB Liquor.

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<b>171</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>Imported Sparkling and Dessert Wine Bundle.</b>  1 Bottle each of Caposaldo Prosecco Rose Brut, Caposaldo Moscato, 2023 Michele Chiarlo Nivole, Moscato D'Asti DOCG (all from Italy), and Bin-27 Reserve Porto Fonseca Porto (Portugal). Value \$55. Donated by WB Liquor.
<b>172</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Wurlitzer Spinet Piano</b>  Previously owned, gently used piano. Great sound. Owner responsible for moving it from Rev. Sarah's home. Estimated Value: \$400.