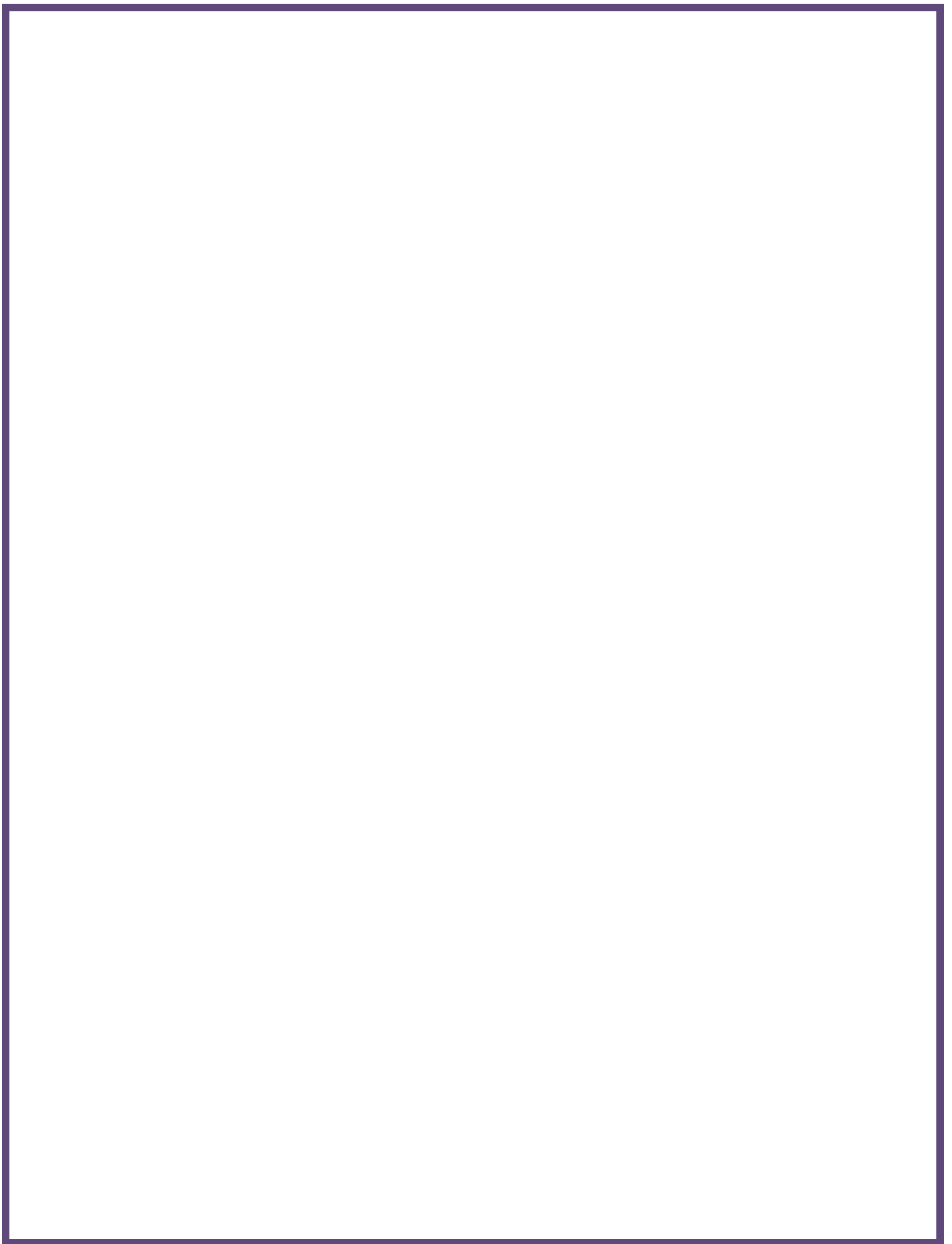




Saturday, June 14, 2014

Live and Silent Auction Catalog



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Dear friends and families,

We are so excited to be welcoming you to the second annual benefit dinner and auction for Willow Tree Family Center.

Last year, this dinner was a complete success. It provided enough funding to open our doors and sustain our operating costs for a full year! After choosing a location and signing a lease, Willow Tree began offering services to the community immediately, and it has been growing and busy ever since! We met all our major goals in 2013 including obtaining 501(c)3 status, offering classes and support groups, setting up a lending library and resource center, and developing an online presence. We networked with other organizations in the community, such as with residents at Sparrow to offer a preschool nutrition class and initiating a team with Sparrow and the MSU Department of Human Medicine to develop a Doula Program. In the last year, we also have hosted several community events such as a mom-to-mom sale, a holiday party, and the Lansing Baby Fair.

This year, our fundraising goals remain similar. We would like to raise the bulk of our operating costs during this event. We are going to continue to offer free support groups to moms and dads. We are going to expand our groups to meeting in rural locations for people who do not travel into Lansing, and we are going to team up with HOPING to support their group for moms who have experienced a miscarriage or still birth. We are going to improve our resource center by continuing to network with other stakeholders in our community and expanding our open hours. We are working on obtaining grant funding for two major initiatives: Moms Bloom Postpartum Mentorship Program and Healthy Steps Child Development Parent Support Program. We are going to continue to work with local hospitals and organizations to expand educational events and resources to expecting parents in our community.

We are excited that such an array of people has joined us here tonight. We have educators, physicians, nurses, advocates, midwives, administrators, business owners, parents and more all here to support young families. By working together, we will be able to influence the lives of the babies who are born in our area.

On behalf of the board, I would like to sincerely thank you for your support and dedication. We would not be here without all of you.

Sincerely,

Nicole Greiter, President

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Thank you

This evening would not be a success without the commitment and dedication of our volunteers. We would like to offer our sincere gratitude to those who offered their money and time.

A special thanks goes out to our Soiree Planning Committee: Anne Birney, Klisti DuMonte, Nicole Greiter, Molly Heintzelman, Jessi Kauppi, Lindsey LaForte, Caroline Passariello, Margo Ryan, and Stephanie White

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Sponsors

Thank you to all who made financial contributions to sponsor this event or donated items for the auction.

A special thanks goes out to:

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Entertainment:

Hedlun Walton, comedian
Bryan Trevaskis, DJ

Dinner Menu

Hors D'oeuvres

Fruit Display with whipped cream and chocolate fondue
Vegetable Crudite with assorted dips
Domestic and Imported Cheese

Entrees

Roast Loin of Pork
Fine Herbed Chicken
Oven Roasted Vegetable Risotto

Drinks

Complimentary water, coffee, and tea
6pm-10pm - Open bar including name brand liquors, house wine, domestic and imported beers, and sodas
10pm-11pm - Cash bar

Sides

Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Sautéed Green Beans

Dessert

Cupcakes provided by Butters Bakery

Schedule of Events

Gathering and Check-In

6:00 p.m.

Silent Auction and Hors D'oeuvres

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Welcome

7:00 p.m.

Dinner

7:15 p.m.

Silent Auction Tables Close

7:45 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 8:15 p.m.

Heads and Tails Game

8:15 p.m.

Live Auction and Fund-A-Need

8:30 p.m.

Dessert Event and Entertainment

9:00 p.m.

Check-Out Begins and Dancing!

9:30 p.m.

Auction Rules and Procedures

Check-in and Registration

Doors open at 6:00 pm for registration.

Each guest receives a catalog, their assigned paddle number, and any catalog addendum. You will use the paddle number for identification during the live auction.

Group bidding is encouraged. This is an excellent way to join together and share many of the larger items. There should be one designated bidder who will bid for the group.

General

Please read any special conditions or restrictions in the description of the auction items. The Auction Committee reserves the right to withdraw any item from the auction. All purchased items must be removed at the end of the evening. Prizes are not redeemable for cash and are non-transferable. In the event of a dispute, the Willow Tree Family Center Board shall act as the final authority and determine the winning bidder.

Reservations for goods and services must be arranged with the donors. Please note restrictions, expirations dates, as applicable. All items are sold as is. Willow Tree Family Center makes no representations regarding any of the auction items.

If you plan to leave prior to the end of the auction, please see the cashier to arrange pre-payment and provide written instructions on the auction invoice identifying to whom your items are to be released to at the end of the event.

PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD, CASH, OR CHECKS IS EXPECTED IN FULL THE EVENING OF THE EVENT. IF PAYMENT IS NOT RECEIVED THAT EVENING, OR ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOT BEEN MADE TO PAY, THE ITEM WILL GO TO THE NEXT HIGHEST BIDDER. ALL SALES ARE FINAL.

Silent Auction

The bidding on the silent auction items can be started immediately upon entering the Auction. All items in the silent auction will have bid sheets affixed nearby. The bidder must PRINT their name clearly (first and last) and their paddle number, on the provided bid sheet.

The closing of the silent auction tables will be announced by the auctioneer. The person who placed the last bid on the bid sheet will be deemed the winner of that item.

Your name on the bid sheets constitutes a legal contract to buy. Make bids carefully as no erasing or crossing out is allowed. Indecipherable bids will not be honored. You may bid as many times as you want on an item.

Bids must be in full dollar increments, and follow the minimum bid and bid increment guidelines on the bid sheet. You must match or beat the opening bid amount if you are the first one to bid on an item. There is no upper limit to the incremental bid. Please note the values shown are estimates. If the guidelines are not followed accordingly, the bid will be void. Do not remove the bid sheets from the tables under any circumstances.

When a silent auction table closes for bidding, and there are multiple bidders trying to bid for a particular item, the last three bidders will be eligible to participate in a "bid-off". We encourage friendly competition to allow for the bidding to be interesting and entertaining. To be fair to all auction participants, please refrain from "camping out" in front of any silent auction item.

Live Auction

The first live auction will begin shortly after 8:30 p.m. Live auction items and description will be available for preview at the opening of the doors. Bidders are financially responsible for their bid numbers. Highest bidder on all auction items must pay for all items at checkout by the end of the evening.

To bid on an item, raise your paddle showing your bid number. The auctioneer or spotter will note your bid. The highest bid buys the item.

Heads or Tails

To participate in the Heads-or-Tails game, **purchase a set of beads** during the auction (1 for \$10 or 3 for \$25). The auctioneer will call the start of the game. Participants will place their beads on their head or their tail. The auctioneer will call "heads" or "tails", and participants matching the call will proceed to the next round. Participants that do not match the call exit the game. Play continues until there is a single winner. **The winner receives a \$50 credit towards the live auction and a \$50 gift certificate to MEAT Southern BBQ -- \$100 value!**

Payment and Restrictions

Checkout will open at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Payments must be made by credit card, check (made payable to Willow Tree Family Center), or cash. All items must be claimed and removed from the site by the end of the evening.

ALL SALES ARE FINAL, and there will be no refunds on items.

There will be no exchanges by Willow Tree Family Center or donors. Under the Internal Revenue Service Code, one can only deduct the amount paid in excess of the fair market value of the product. Values set forth opposite items being auctioned are estimates only and are not warranted by Willow Tree Family Center for tax purposes or for general value.

Willow Tree neither warrants nor represents, and shall not be held responsible for the correctness of description, genuineness, provenance or condition of any item. No statement contained in the catalog or made orally shall be deemed to be such a warranty or assumption of liability for any purpose. Mention in this catalog does not constitute endorsement of any business product or service.

REMEMBER: Our cashiers and runners have graciously donated their time and energy to make this event a success. Please be patient.

Live Auction

MSU Rosebowl Football

Got football fever? You won't want to "pass" on this football signed by Rose Bowl-winning coach Mark Dantonio! Min bid: \$50

MSU Athletic Department.

Molly Massage Mania!

It's the triple threat - One prenatal massage to help mama relax during pregnancy, one postpartum massage to help mama restore her energy after the baby arrives, and an infant massage class to help mama learn how to soothe and connect with her sweet arrival! To aide in infant massage, the winner will also receive organic baby hemp rub and Bodhi balm. Min bid: \$60

Molly Massage

Summer of Fun!

Not sure what to do with your kids this summer?? This package is a SUMMER OF FUN! Enjoy special trips with your kids with this package that includes 2 tickets to Cedar Point, 6 passes to Edru Skate-a-Rama, 4 passes to Impressions Five, 2 adult and 2 child passes to Binder Park Zoo, and 3 free admissions to Jumping Jax. Min bid: \$100

Cedar Point, Edru, Impressions Five, Binder Park Zoo, and Jumping Jax

Health and Fitness!

Get healthy with this amazing basket! Get a 3-month membership to Court One Athletic Club, a nutrition consultation from Dr. Kylee Volz, and a \$20 gift card to Foods for Living to get you started with some healthy food. Min Bid: \$150

Court One, Volz Chiropractic, and Foods for Living

Bar Crawl with Your Friends

Get together with your friends to bid on this night out! Pregame with a 6-pack of beer and then travel to Dagwoods (\$40), the Green Door (\$50), and Zoobies in Old Town (\$50). \$20 will help pay for a cab home after your night out! Min Bid \$50

Old Chicago, Dagwoods, Green Door, Zoobies, and Willow Tree Family Center

Disney

Plan your trip to Disney World with these One-Day Park Hopper passes! These four passes, valued at \$516.00, are valid during normal operating hours and provide admission to a magical experience at Disney's unique theme parks: the Magic Kingdom Park, Epcot, Disney's Hollywood Studios, or Disney's Animal Kingdom for one day. They are valid for two years from the issue date and are the perfect start for your next family vacation! Min bid \$150

Walt Disney World

Two Passes to a Year's Worth of Old Town Festivals

A wine glass, a beer glass, t-shirt, and poster... all accompanying 2 passes to all the Old Town Festivals for an entire year! Includes Taste & Tour of Old Town, Festival of the Sun, Festival of the Moon, and Old Town Oktoberfest. Enjoy Old Town, the new home of Willow Tree Family Center! Min Bid: \$75

Old Town Commercial Association

2 Night Get Away Up North

A 2 night getaway in a rental cottage up north... go for an escape... go with your honey... or take your whole family! 30 minutes away from Traverse City. Min Bid: \$75

Veronica LaDuke

For the Guys

(1) Tigers Autographed Photo

Autographed Photo of Ian Kinsler Min Bid: \$30

Detroit Tigers

(2) Midtown Brewing Company

Enjoy some Michigan microbrew with two beer glasses and a growler, complete with a gift certificate to get it filled. Min Bid: \$15

Midtown Brewing Company

(3) Spartan Six-Pack

Tote your beer in style with this MSU-themed artisan 6-pack holder. Min Bid: \$20

Beth Barrett, Spartan Spirits

(4) Man-tastic Basket

Get this Man-tastic Basket for a Man's day out! Pregame with a 4-pack of Two-Hearted Ale, then get dinner with a \$50 gift certificate to MEAT. Complete the day with 4 complimentary tickets to the Aug 26 Lugnuts Eat-a-Palooza Game (can be exchanged for any other game EXCEPT July 4). Min Bid \$40

City of Lansing, Meat Southern BBQ, Spartan Spirits,

(5) Hawk Hollow

Enjoy two rounds of golf at Hawk Hollow Golf Course. This includes 18 holes with a power cart. This gift certificate is valid anytime Monday-Thursday and after 1:00pm Friday-Sunday. Min Bid \$25

Hawk Hollow

(6) Car Care Package

Get that dream machine gleaming with our Car Care Package. This includes one wash and interior cleaning from Craig's Autobody in Holt and \$100 from Bell Tire to pimp your ride! Min Bid \$75

Bell Tire, Craig's Autobody

For the Ladies

(7) Time to Relax!

Take time to relax with a \$50 gift certificate to Douglas J. When you get home, enjoy some handmade lavender lotion bars, lavender stick, and a soothing bath. Min Bid \$30

Douglas J, Sally Backus

(8) Time to Energize!

Get energized with handmade peppermint lotion, peppermint stick and salt bath. Then treat yourself to four new beautiful pairs of earrings – two are chosen for you and two you can choose yourself! Min bid \$30

Sally Backus, Quilling Maven

(9) Fun in the Sun

Ladies, get ready for summer with this Fun in the Sun package! Enjoy some 31 treasures and a package of personal care summer essentials! Min Bid \$15

Laura Hayden, Maria Jurus, Nicole Greiter

(10) Lapis Tree of Life Stone Necklace

Women's silver necklace made of lapis. Lapis is a stone of friendship and truth. Its energy is good for truth, inner power, and organization. Min Bid \$10

Cassie Cascades

(11) Citrine Tree of Life Stone Necklace

Women's silver necklace made of citrine. Citrine is joyful stone. Its energy is good for success and prosperity. Min Bid \$10

Cassie Cascades

(12) Cozy Up

Cozy up at home with a chiro-flow pillow, a knit blanket, tea, and a honey basket – complete with gift certificate for more honey! Min Bid \$50

October Moon, Swarm Naturals, Volz Chiropractic

(13) Culinary Delight!

Get cooking with four cookbooks, an artisan wooden spoon, \$20 to Bed, Bath, and Beyond for any accessory you could need, \$20 at Foods for Living for some ingredients, plus a bottle of wine to enjoy while you're cooking! Min bid \$50

Anne Birney, Bed Bath and Beyond, Schuler Books, Spartan Spirits

(14) Botanical Hair Treatment and Facial Waxing

Tame your hair with this package! It will get your locks lustrous and remove any unwanted strays! Min Bid \$15

Laura Plee

(15) Simply Bliss

The name says it all! \$75 to spend on whatever you'd like! Min Bid \$25
Simply Bliss Spa

(16) Facial

Get your glow on with this facial customized just for you! Min Bid \$20
Finest Hour Esthetics

(17) The "Knitty" Gritty

You will spin out at this basket of homespun wool yarn, felted soap balls, and handmade cards. Min Bid \$25
Diane Bloomer

(18) Serenity Salon

The name says it all! \$75 to spend on whatever you'd like! Min Bid \$25
Serenity Salon and Spa

(19) Arty Class!

Choose between book making or Zentangle for you and five of your friends at Arty Party in Okemos with artist Kip Kozlowski Min Bid \$50
Kip Kozlowski

Just the Two of Us

(20) A Month of Magic

Rekindle the fire with a date each week for a month! Enjoy a dinners out across the Lansing area and a bottle of wine for a night-in. Min Bid: \$40
Carrabbas, Claddagh Irish Pub, Old Chicago, Soup Spoon, Spartan Spirit

(21) Double Date Night

Enjoy dinner with a \$50 gift certificate to Capital Prime and cap off the night with drinks at The Exchange. Min Bid: \$25
Capital Prime, The Exchange

(22) Common Ground Festival Passes

2 Passes to Common Ground the week of July 8-13. Headliners include 3-11, The Wailers, Earth, Wind, and Fire, and so many more! Min Bid \$75
Common Ground

(23) Dinner and a Movie

Enjoy dinner at PF Changs with this \$25 gift card followed by a movie at NCG with two complimentary passes!

Min Bid \$20

P.F. Changs, NCG Cinema

Health and Wellness

(24) It's Yo-Gasmic!

Enjoy a private yoga session with Janet MacFarlane, a yoga mat, a yoga mat bag, and an eye pillow. Min Bid \$25

Janet MacFarlane

(25) Chiropractic Services

Enjoy \$400 of new patient services Min Bid \$50

Infinity Chiropractic

(26) Chiropractic Services

Enjoy \$400 of new patient services Min Bid \$50

Ledges Chiropractic

(27) Get Aligned

Enjoy chiropractic service and massage from Volz Family Chiropractic! Min Bid \$50

Volz Family Chiropractic

(28) Shape Up

Eat well with \$20 from Foods for Living, feel great with a 1-month membership to Court One, and if all else fails, at least you'll look the part with a gift certificate to Playmakers! Min Bid: \$75

Court One, Foods for Living, Playmakers

(29) Be a Home Body

Kickstart your fitness with the 21-Day Fix Program! Get your home fitness gear with this certificate from American Home Fitness, put on your yoga pants, and make sure your kitchen is stocked with healthy treats from Foods for Living. Min Bid: \$40

American Home Fitness, Court One, 21-Day Fix

(30) Eat Green and Clean!

Eat green and clean with your very own herb garden, local honey, and \$20 to spend at Foods for Living. Min Bid: \$25

Diane Birney, Foods for Living, Swarm Naturals

(31) Cranio-Sacral

Enjoy this one Cranio-Sacral Therapy
Stephanie Stanton

(32) 60 Minute Massage

Enjoy this 60 minute massage
Rachel Dewey

(33) The Tooth Fairy

Get those pearly whites gleaming with this package from Dr. Susan Maples. Everything you need for daily tooth care and a fabulous professional teeth whitening! Min Bid: \$150
Dr. Susan Maples

Family Time

(34) Beach Bums!

Enjoy a day at the beach with super swag from Moose Jaw in a multi-use 31 bag! Min Bid: \$40
Laura Hayden

(35) Goldfish Swim School

Learn to swim with a week of Jump Start Clinic Classes! Gift certificate comes complete with a gift basket of swimming accessories! Min Bid: \$35
Goldfish Swim School

(36) YMCA

Get in shape with your family with a 1-month Family Pass from any YMCA in the Lansing Area! Min Bid: \$30
YMCA

(37) Twistars

Become a star with one free session of classes at Twistars! Min Bid: \$40
Twistars

(38) Face Painting Party!

Accentuate your party with Annie's Amazing Facing! Enjoy \$50 towards a face-painting session at your child's birthday party! \$15
Annie's Amazing faces

(39) Family Membership to Potter Park Zoo

Free admission for two adults and their children to Potter Park Zoo for an entire year! This also includes discounted admissions to more than 100 zoos and aquariums across the US, the annual "Members Only Party" at the zoo, subscription to Zoo Tales, and 10% off in the Zoovenir Gift Shop Min Bid \$20

Potter Park Zoo

(40) Family Movie Night

Enjoy a family night in with pizza and \$15 in gift cards to Family Video to rent movies of your choice!

Family Video, Cottage Inn

(41) Six Flags

Plan a family day- trip with two complimentary passes to Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, IL. Min Bid: \$35

Six Flags

(42) Family Photo Session

Enjoy \$75 off a photography session from McShane Photography! Min Bid: \$25

McShane Photography

(43) Family Photo Session

Enjoy a free photo session for family, maternity, newborn, or baby photos with full sized digital images from Shelie Ross! Min Bid: \$60

Shelie Ross

(44) Family Photo

Enjoy a free photo session for family, maternity, newborn, or baby photos with 5 full sized digital images Min Bid: \$50

Tobiano Photography

(45) Cock-a-doodle Doo Chickens for You!

6 months worth of fresh farm eggs and 2 farm-fresh butchered chickens! Eggs can be picked up at the Willow Tree the first week of the month, and you get 4 dozen at a time, and the chickens will be ready in July. Min Bid: \$35

Elizabeth Marvel

Baby. Baby

(46) Boy Oh Boy!

A gift basket for a little boy with a hat, blanket, cherry pit hot/cold pack, handmade bib, mother's milk tea, two sets of thank you cards, and a gift certificate for mommy-baby yoga. Min Bid: \$15

Shelie Ross, Shiloh Daum

(47) Think Pink

A gift basket for a little girl with a hat, blanket, cherry pit hot/cold pack, two bibs, mother's milk tea, two sets of thank you cards, and a gift certificate for mommy-baby yoga. Min Bid: \$15

Shelie Ross, Shiloh Daum

(48) For Any Baby

A gift basket for any baby with a receiving blanket, two burp cloths, two handmade bibs, two sets of thank you cards, a booby hat, and an origami owl gift certificate for \$20 to buy a mommy keepsake. Min Bid: \$15

Jessica Taylor, Kathy Driggs, Martha Schewe

(49) Handmade Baby Quilt

Beautiful colorful handmade crayon quilt Min Bid: \$25

Alice Birney

(50) "Change" Your Ways

Think Green Baby with this handmade diaper changing station and a \$50 gift certificate to Little Green Branches. Min Bid: \$20

Janet Schrock, Little Green Branches

(51) Gentle Strength Basket

Pamper the pregnant mama with pregnancy tea, postpartum bath, and comfy calendula Min Bid: \$15

Gentle Strength Midwifery

(52) The Adventurous Lamb

Enjoy a story about a little lamb with a matching hat and bibs! Min Bid: \$20

Debra Cramer

(53) What Does the Fox Say?

Enjoy a story about a fox with a matching hat! Min Bid: \$25

Debra Cramer

(54) Molly Massage Mania v2!

It's the triple threat - One prenatal massage to help mama relax during pregnancy, one postpartum massage to help mama restore her energy after the baby arrives, and an infant massage class to help mama learn how to soothe and connect with her sweet arrival! To aide in infant massage, the winner will also receive organic baby hemp rub and Bodhi balm. This package also comes with new mama herbal bath, a booby hat, and Ina May's Guide to Childbirth. Min bid: \$80

Molly Massage

(55) 6-12 mo Dress

What an adorable spring dress! Min Bid: \$5

Green Threads

(56) 2T-4T Dress

Beautiful dress and hairclips for your toddler! Min Bid: \$10

Alexandra Schroeder

(57) Blue and Red Hat

Adorable Blue and Red Hat Min Bid: \$12

Mon Petite Chatte

(58) Matching Elf Hats

Elf Hats in two different sizes for two different children! Min Bid: \$25

Mon Petite Chatte

(59) Pink Cardigan

Beautiful wool cashmere sweater Min Bid: \$25

Mon Petite Chatte

(60) Organic Cotton Vest

Organic Cotton Toddler Vest Min Bid: \$30

Mon Petite Chatte

(61) Multicolor Elf Hat

Beautiful 6-12 mo Elf Hat Min Bid: \$12

Mon Petite Chatte

(62) Booby Hat

Fun Booby Hat Min Bid: \$5

Martha Schewe

For the Home

(63) Original Framed Painting

An original framed painting by a Lansing artist Min Bid: \$10

Rob Shelburg

(64) Original Framed Artwork

An original framed artwork Min Bid: \$15

Cindy Bailey

(65) Original Framed Artwork

An original framed artwork Min Bid: \$20

Kathy Driggs

(66) Decorative Box

Beautiful Decorative box Min Bid: \$10

Kathy Driggs

(67) Handmade Wine Glasses

Enjoy your wine in these amazing and gorgeous handmade glasses! Min Bid: \$75

Global Glassworks

(68) Beth's Garden Woodcut Relief Print

Original Artwork Min Bid: \$50

Ruth Egnater

(69) Bathing Beauties Woodcut Relief Print

Original Artwork Min Bid: \$35

Ruth Egnater

(70) Little Houses Linoleum Relief Print

Original Artwork Min Bid: \$35

Ruth Egnater

(71) Scrapbooking Basket

Capture all the moments going on in your home with this scrapbooking basket! Enjoy 2 scrapbooks, paper, shape scissors, and stickers to keep those memories. Min Bid: \$15

Theresa Whitenight