



ENJOY YOUR FIRST DUUC AUCTION! FAMILY-FRIENDLY AND FUN!

WHAT IS THE AUCTION? WHY DO WE HAVE AN AUCTION?

Fundraising, Fellowship and Fun! The Goods and Services Auction is the church's largest (non-canvas) annual fundraiser. The auction takes place the first Saturday in November. Funds raised at the auction are a critical piece of the operating budget for DuPage UU Church.

On the lighter side, the auction is a fun social event. It's a time to spend the evening with church friends and enjoy entertainment and fellowship. Many church members fill their yearly social calendar with parties purchased on the night of the auction. Events offered for auction foster fellowship and service to one another throughout the year.

WHERE DO DONATIONS COME FROM?

Most donations are from members and most of the funds raised come from fun and creative parties offered (themed dinners, movie nights, game parties, etc.) and a multitude of services.

YOUR FIRST AUCTION

You can purchase your ticket to the Auction on any Sunday beginning in September. Tickets for those who are attending the auction for the first time receive a discounted ticket. This ticket includes heavy appetizers, desserts and non-alcoholic drinks at the auction. You can also purchase your ticket at the door on the evening of the auction. Children are free and childcare is provided free of charge. Pizza, snacks, desserts and drinks are provided for the children.

GETTING YOUR BID NUMBER

One week prior to the auction, a booklet/catalog of all of the items available is handed out to those who have bought tickets. On the back of the booklet/catalog will be your bid number. Bring this booklet/catalog with you on the night of the auction. It has your bid number. If you are unable to pick up your booklet/catalog on the Sunday prior to the auction, it will be available for you to pick up when you arrive.

AUCTION NIGHT

Heavy appetizers, fruit, fresh vegetables, desserts and non-alcoholic drinks will be served for dinner during the silent auction. Pizza will be available for the children. If you have any dietary restrictions or needs, please let us know when you purchase your ticket.

CHILDCARE

Childcare is provided from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. free of charge. Please let us know when you purchase your tickets if you will need childcare.



THE SILENT AUCTION

NAVIGATING THE SILENT AUCTION

The Silent Auction is held in the Learning Center. Items and services are categorized by type. They are in numerical order within each category. Bid sheets are below each item. Closing time varies for each category of item and service.

BIDDING IN THE SILENT AUCTION

If you are the first to place a bid, make note of the minimum bid amount. Once an initial bid has been made, write your bid number and a dollar amount that is higher than the current bid. Note that some items are sold for a flat price and no additional price increase is needed. These will be clearly marked. Pay close attention as we inch toward 6 to 6:30 p.m., when sections of the silent auction close and highest bid wins.

THE LIVE AUCTION

The live auction begins at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We have original entertainment from talented church members. Be prompt. You don't want to miss it!

BIDDING IN THE LIVE AUCTION

To bid, raise your bid number, facing forward and high! If you win an item with multiple winners, be prepared to say how many spots you want (for example, two for a dinner.) You will pay the amount of the winning bid times the number of spots you purchase. The Live Auction ends at 8:30 p.m..

CHECK OUT

HOW DO I PAY AND GET THE ITEMS I WON?

Check out begins at 8:30 p.m. following the live auction in the Founder's Room. There will be several cashiers who have all of your winning bids and will provide you with an itemized list. Payment can be made by cash, check or credit/debit. You will take your itemized receipt to the Learning Center to retrieve any silent auction items you won. You must have your receipt to retrieve any items. To redeem your services or attend parties, keep your itemized receipt so you have a record of what you purchased. The donor will have the list of purchasers and will contact you directly with the details. Check the website for postings of hosts and parties. Please do not call the Chairs. We don't have the details

AFTER THE AUCTION

Go home and enjoy remembering your great night! Share all the great parties you are going to enjoy throughout the year with your friends. Sunday morning after the auction, if any items did not sell, or there are any open spaces at parties, you can still bid on them. Be prepared to pay for those items should you choose to do just a little more bidding.

NEXT YEAR'S AUCTION

DID YOU HAVE SO MUCH FUN THAT YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW YOU CAN BE PART OF IT NEXT YEAR?

Be a part of the process. Donate a good, a service, or a party. Volunteer to help plan and organize next year's auction. Please contact any of the Auction Chairs to find out how to get involved!

