



# LAKE FELLOWSHIP

of Unitarian Universalists

A Fundraising Event for Lake Fellowship

## 2026 Auction

**Saturday, April 25th**

Food & Drink, Silent Auction 5 pm

Live Auction 6 pm

At the A-frame

24575 Glen Road, Shorewood

You may view photos of auction items by scanning the QR code below and clicking the link that pops up on your phone. Not all items have photos.



# Silent Auction Items

## **Set of Dish Scrubbies (Vicki Larson)**

Set of 2 colorful hand crocheted dish scrubbies

*Minimum Bid: \$5, Estimated Value: \$20*

## **Three Novels by Excelsior Author Bob Williams (Peggy Muehlberg)**

Three novels: *Excelsior* (1982) signed, *Good Luck on Your Downward Journey* (1984) signed, *Ozark Flats* (1983). Bob Williams, a legend in the Excelsior community and its unofficial historian, wrote informative historical novels set locally. Bob moved to Excelsior as a young boy and lived with his wife in the same house on Bell Street for 59 years. He provided walking tours of Excelsior for many years.

*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: \$125*

## **Mountain Profile Snowshoes (Peggy Muehlberg)**

Brand new Mountain Profile snowshoes. Size Large, 9"x30" for users and gear up to 250 lb. Adventure package includes all terrain snowshoes, telescoping trekking poles, and carry bag. Ideal for hiking and trail walking.

*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: \$125*

## **Mountain Profile Snowshoes (Peggy Muehlberg)**

Mountain Profile snowshoes. Size M, 8"x21" for users and gear 100–150 lb. Adventure package includes all terrain snowshoes, telescoping trekking poles, and carry bag. Ideal for hiking and trail walking. Like new, used once.

*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: \$125*

## **Breathe In Peace, Breath Out Love (Matt Fernberger)**

24x36 framed print by Matt Fernberger

*Minimum Bid: \$75, Estimated Value: \$250*

## **Ninja 1000w Blender (Helene Mann)**

Ninja Professional 1000 Watt Blender with BPA-free 72 ounce pitcher.

*Minimum Bid: \$20, Estimated Value: \$99*

## **Emile Henry Cruet Set (Helene Mann)**

Emile Henry oil and vinegar cruet set, never used, in box. One blue and one yellow. Price tags on the cruets show \$36 each (\$72 total), but that was a few decades ago. Currently on the Emile Henry website, this set would cost \$134.

*Minimum Bid: \$40, Estimated Value: \$110*

## **Emile Henry Mini Pie Baking Dishes (Helene Mann)**

Set of 2 mini oven-safe dessert dishes. New.

*Minimum Bid: \$10, Estimated Value: \$40*

## **Math Tutoring (K-12) (Jeni Shoemate)**

Three hours of math help for courses below Calculus

*Minimum Bid: \$30, Estimated Value: \$75*

## **Gandhi for Kids, His Life and Ideas (Peggy Muehlberg)**

Book by Ellen Mahoney includes 21 activities for kids age 9 and up.

*Minimum Bid: \$1, Estimated Value: \$17.99 Retail*

## **Excelsior's Waterfront: The History of the Excelsior Commons and Excelsior Docks (Peggy Muehlberg)**

A book by local historian Scott McGinnis, who has family roots in the Excelsior area dating back to 1855.

*Minimum Bid: \$1, Estimated Value: \$10*

## **Ripley's Believe It or Not! The Remarkable...Revealed (Peggy Muehlberg)**

A fascinating book full of the world's weirdest facts.

*Minimum Bid: \$2, Estimated Value: \$28.95 Retail*

## **The Mayo Clinic: Faith, Hope, Science (Peggy Muehlberg)**

A book about the Mayo Clinic based on the film by Ken Burns. Chronicles the history of this unique organization, from its roots to its position today as a worldwide model for patient care, research, and education.

*Minimum Bid: \$5, Estimated Value: \$24.95 retail*

## **Legendary Homes of Lake Minnetonka (Peggy Muehlberg)**

This book by Bette Jones Hammel with photography by Karen Melvin is a personal tour through thirty of Lake Minnetonka's most spectacular homes.

*Minimum Bid: \$5, Estimated Value: \$49.95 retail*

## **Six Essential Oils (Peggy Muehlberg)**

Patchouli, Eucalyptus, Tea Tree, Chill Pill, Sweet Orange, and Lavender, 0.25 fluid oz. each

*Minimum Bid: \$2, Estimated Value: \$10*

## **Fresh, Organic Garlic! (Larry Hanke)**

10 full bulbs of home grown garlic. Straight from the farm to you! Garlic is harvested in June. There will be multiple varieties included in the package.

*Minimum Bid: \$15, Estimated Value: \$30*

## **Urban Abstracts (Christopher Marshall)**

A book on Christopher's life's work of abstract pictures and poems beautifully illustrated by written by a former member and current friend of Lake Fellowship. He describes the book as , "the discovery of beauty in imperfection; the acceptance of the cycle of life and death." Please, do take the time to browse this beautiful book. It would make a wonderful addition to your coffee table of books on art.

*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: \$45*

## **Flute (Helene Mann)**

Wood flute, origin unknown. Looks like it's signed.

*Minimum Bid: \$15, Estimated Value: Unknown*

## **Unknown Plant (Vicki Larson)**

A plant, yet to be determined

*Minimum Bid: \$5, Estimated Value: TBD*

## **Nature Photograph (John Symchych)**

Your choice of one of John's 8x10 photographs, matted to fit in a standard 11x14 frame.

*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: \$50*

### **Dragonfruit Plant (Maia Larson)**

This plant is perfect for the person who has little to no green thumb. Dragonfruit plants will grow unwatered, unloved, and in a paperbag. But like many unloved things, they have an inner beauty, unique growing style, and rugged durability that even the most plant averse person will grow to care for.  
*Minimum Bid: \$5, Estimated Value: \$15*

### **Miniature Floral Arrangement (Zoe Larson)**

2-3 inches tall, mini mixed media flower arrangements (wood, clay, wire, chalk, sand, foam)  
*Minimum Bid: \$15, Estimated Value: \$20-30*

### **Science Museum (Marilyn Vialle)**

Visit to MN Science Museum for 2,3, or 4 people. Includes Omnitheater.  
*Minimum Bid: \$20 per person, Estimated Value: \$35 per person*

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## Live Auction Items

### **Nature Cards Set (Marnie Karger)**

A boxed set of 5, unique, handmade cards, each with a photo pulled from the MN DNR's Conservation Volunteer magazine. Some cards say "Thank you" on the outside, and some say, "Hello." All are blank on the inside. The set includes envelopes, too.  
*Minimum Bid: \$10, Estimated Value: \$35*

### **Tim's Famous Cinnamon/Craisin/Walnut Bread (Tim & Terry McGlynn)**

Delicious freshly home-baked bread, ready to eat or freeze for later. Big man, strong man, tears in his eyes, came up to me and said "Sir, your bread makes the world's best toast!"  
*Minimum Bid: \$8, Estimated Value: \$12*

### **Serviceberry Package (Roberta Rott)**

I have a beautiful serviceberry to transplant to your yard! This is a shrub form of the plant and will provide beautiful white flowers very early in the spring and edible fruit in June, for you or the birds, whoever gets to them first. It needs a sunny spot and will probably produce fruit the second year after transplant. A copy of the book, *The Serviceberry* by Robin Wall Kimmerer comes with the plant.  
*Minimum Bid: \$20, Estimated Value: \$50*

### **One Pound Chocolate Pecan Fudge (Peggy Muehlberg)**

One pound chocolate pecan fudge. The deep, rich, chocolate fudge is delicately mixed with gourmet-roasted pecans, and finally swirled to a delicate chocolatey, nutty perfection. This sweet confection will be delivered to you in a decorative tin in November/December in time for the holidays. Makes a great gift. Don't forget yourselves!  
*Minimum Bid: \$5, Estimated Value: \$10*

### **Mystery Dessert (Maia Larson)**

Winning bidder will select a home crafted, delicious dessert from a pre-set menu to be carefully prepared for them at a later date to be determined by Maia and the bidder.  
*Minimum Bid: \$15, Estimated Value: \$30*

### **Cupboard Cleaning (Marilyn Vialle)**

I will clean out two hard to get to cupboards by removing items, cleaning as needed (i.e. washing glassware) and reorganizing or returning to original placement as requested.  
*Minimum Bid: \$30, Estimated Value: \$50*

### **Airport Taxi Service (Roberta Rott)**

Will provide one ride to and from MSP airport. No fees for luggage! Offer good through 2026.  
My car will accommodate 4 people.  
*Minimum Bid: \$50, Estimated Value: Depends on distance*

### **Agnes Nanogak Goose (artist) Inuit Stonecut Relief Print (Tom Lang)**

Early Nanogak print showing an Inuit couple on sepia background (8 1/2 x 5 1/2), framed (12 x 9 1/2). Male figure may be a Shaman. Circa 1970. Good condition, collectible.  
*Minimum Bid: \$20, Estimated Value: \$35*

### **Antique Chinese Qing Dynasty 18th Silk Embroidered Rank Badge Buzi First Civil Phoenix (Tom Lang)**

11 x 11 inch silk ornamental pocket square (wood framed 12 x 12)  
*Minimum Bid: \$50, Estimated Value: \$220*

### **Guitar (John Symchych)**

Yamaha FG 420 acoustic guitar with new set of Elixir bronze phosphorus strings installed. Includes high quality hard shell case.  
*Minimum Bid: \$250, Estimated Value: \$400*

### **Biking, Beer and Brats (Tim and Karen Wendt)**

Take a leisurely guided bike ride in Minneapolis. We will decide where to ride based on the participants. We invite anyone who can ride a bike. At the end of the ride, you are invited to enjoy brats and a beverage on the Wendt's backyard deck.  
*Minimum Bid: \$15/person, Estimated Value: \$30/person*

### **Frisbee Golf Lesson/Round (Dan Larson)**

Why is Frisbee Golf so fun and the most underrated outdoor activity? This is your opportunity to learn all about Frisbee Golf and spend a few hours outdoors with your favorite LFUU member, Dan. We'll learn about the differences between drivers, mid-ranges, and putters; what the flight numbers mean on the frisbees; the different weights; under stable vs. over stable discs; etc. We'll practice throwing and discuss form before playing a round of golf. Guaranteed fun and potentially life-changing!  
*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: \$1 million*

### **Fishing Trip (Sam Devine)**

Half-day guided fishing trip with Sam for 1-2 people. All equipment provided. Date to be mutually agreed upon.

*Minimum Bid: \$40 per person, Estimated Value: Priceless*

### **90-Minute Sound & Energy Healing Session (Beau Kraus)**

Experience a deeply restorative session of sound healing and intuitive energy work designed to support energetic balance and inner alignment. This offering focuses on gently clearing the aura field and restoring harmony where imbalance may be present. The session may also incorporate energy cards to encourage insight and expanded awareness, along with a simple, practical energy tool you can use beyond the session to maintain alignment in daily life. This experience is intended to help release stress and tension while fostering a grounded connection between mind and body—supporting a greater sense of clarity, ease, and overall well-being.

*Minimum Bid: \$75, Estimated Value: \$250*

### **Pescatarian Dinner (Helene Mann & John Symchych)**

Join Helene, John and other Fellowship friends for a delicious multi-course meal. Fish will be the main course. Accommodations can be made for dietary restrictions such as shellfish, dairy, gluten, etc.

*Minimum Bid: \$25, Estimated Value: Priceless*

### **Handyman Help (Jeff Shoemate)**

3 hours of simple handyman help for household projects

*Minimum Bid: \$90, Estimated Value: \$90*

### **Delivery of Prepared Meal for Up To 6 (Tom Naylor)**

In consultation with the winner, I will shop for, prepare, and deliver to their home a meal for up to 6 people. Menu determined by the winner.

*Minimum Bid: \$50, Estimated Value: Depends on the ingredients and complexity*

### **Build Your Own Pizza Party (Tim & Karen Wendt)**

Build your own personal pizza. We will have a variety of toppings and the pizza dough, you will make your own pizza, we bake it and you eat it, it's that simple. We will supply non alcoholic and alcoholic beverages salad and snack while you enjoy your food and great fellowship of others. We have our fingers crossed that we can enjoy the afternoon outdoors.

*Minimum Bid: \$25/person, Estimated Value: \$40 (if you drink a lot)*

### **Surprise Dinner for 4 (Dan & Vicki Larson)**

We will create a delicious dinner for 4 lucky people at our house. The theme will be a fun surprise for all. Dinner will accommodate food preferences, allergies, intolerances and more. We will also provide a generous assortment of NA and fun mocktails for the sober curious. We may also entertain guests with minor skirmishes over cooking style and preparation techniques, efficient banging and chopping, and distracted searches for misplaced spoons etc. If desired, we will include a post dinner game along with a tasty dessert. Which game? What dessert? Join us to find out! Top bidder gets to take home leftovers.

*Minimum Bid: \$25/person, Estimated Value: Depends on the winning bid*

### **Two Guys and a Truck (Dan Larson & Larry Hanke)**

Need to get rid of something, but don't have a way to do it? How about getting some mulch or woodchips delivered and spread out. Do you have a kid that needs to be moved out of the house? Dan, Larry, and Larry's truck are at your service. They will come to your house and provide manual labor for half a day (loosely) and anything that requires the use of a truck. The possibilities are endless!

*Minimum Bid: \$150, Estimated Value: \$300*

### **Boating on Lake Minnetonka! (Laurie & Scott Gauer)**

You and other LFUU friends will be our guests as we cruise Lake Minnetonka with Scott as your captain and Laurie as your hostess & caterer. Sit back and relax, chat and sightsee, swim and float, eat and drink! We'll spend a half-day, about 6 hours, on the water. We'll figure out the date and timeframe that works for all. Food and drinks provided. High bidder gets input on the menu!

*Minimum Bid: \$40/seat, Estimated Value: Priceless*

### **Hayward Ladies Weekend (Sharon Dana)**

A relaxing ladies-only weekend of cozying up by the fire with friends and staying in your bathrobe all day, or getting outside to enjoy the winter beauty of the woods. Arrive Friday and leave Sunday or Monday (we'll find a date that works for everyone sometime between November and March). Meals will be shared by participants. Up to 10 "spaces" are up for bid (4 queen beds and 2 singles).

*Minimum Bid: \$50, Estimated Value: \$100*

### **Northwoods Summer Weekend in Hayward (Sharon Dana)**

Enjoy a few summer days at Sharon's cabin in Hayward—kayaking, pontooning, fishing, swimming, walking through the woods, sitting by the fire (indoors or out), playing games, and most importantly, enjoying time together. If we can't find a time in the summer that works with everyone's schedule, we'll do it in the fall. Arrive Friday and leave Sunday or Monday. Meals will be shared by participants.

*Minimum Bid: \$150, Estimated Value: \$300*

### **Private Boating Party on Lake Minnetonka! (Laurie & Scott Gauer)**

You get to invite up to eleven people for a private boating party with Scott as your captain and Laurie as your hostess & caterer. What a great way to celebrate a special occasion . . . anniversary, birthday, engagement, retirement, family outing, friends reunion, etc! You get to choose the activities besides eating & drinking: cruising, sightseeing, fishing, swimming, floating, tubing . . . any or all the above! We'll spend a half-day, about 6 hours, on the water. We'll work with you to pick the date and timeframe. Food and drinks provided. You get input on the menu.

*Minimum Bid: \$350, Estimated Value: Priceless*

*P.S. Renting a similar pontoon on Lake Minnetonka with a captain would cost \$320 per HOUR! And that's without food and drinks.*