

Unitarian Congregation of West Chester 2023 Annual

Auction Catalog



Silent Auction

In-person Sundays:

October 15 & October 22

Online: October 26

The Main Event!

Saturday, October 28

Social Time,

Refreshments, &

Silent Auction: 4:00 pm

Entertainment: 5:00 pm

Live Auction: 5:30 pm

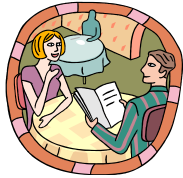
Dessert: 6:30 pm



In-person & Online via Zoom & Google Sheets

AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

DINING



- Lot 3 Asuka Chines & Japanese
- Lot 5 Couch Tomato
- Lot 35 Dia Doce
- Lot 60 Two Birds Cafe
- Lot 85 ... Hank's Place at Chadds Ford
- Lot 86 .. Three Jews & a Gentile Dinner



HOT TICKETS!!

- Lot 7 Longwood Gardens
- Lot 48 Uptown! Knauer Theater
- Lot 49 Winterthur
- Lot 54 Chanticleer Garden
- Lot 84 Brandywine Museum of Art
- Lot 88 Barley Sheaf Players

CSA FRUIT SHARE

LOT 8



MUSE'S TOUCH WELLNESS SESSIONS



LOT 39

GROUP FUN

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| Lot 4 | Lot 10 | Lot 33 |
| Murder Mystery
Party & Dinner | Vinyls & Vittles
Listening Party | Concert &
Picnic |



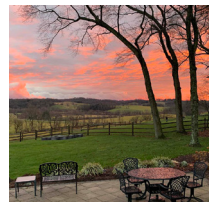
- Lot 52**
St. Patrick's
Day Party



- Lot 53**
Charades
Party



- Lot 61**
Sunset Kettle
Fire Picnic



HARDCOVER BOOK SALE

Gently used hardcover books will be for sale at the auction for \$5 each.

Before the Auction

Catalog

Browse this catalog and plan your bidding. **If you are a donor, check your donations for errors or omissions** and contact Steve Sander at auction-donations@ucwc.org if you find a critical error. We can correct it online and in the addendum that will be distributed.

Registration

You must be registered to bid. You can register [here](#). Within 24 hours, you will receive your paddle number by email.

Bidding by Proxy

If you are unable to attend or are uncomfortable with online bidding, but are interested in an item, you can give a friend a price range and have them bid for you. If you don't know anyone who can bid for you, email the item numbers, names, and your maximum bids to Janine Galen at auction@ucwc.org ahead of time. She will arrange a proxy bidder for you.

Silent Auction

Silent Auction Access

The silent auction will be held online on a Google Sheets session, and three in-person paper sheet sessions. **Only registered bidders will be emailed the online links.**

Silent Auction Dates

Sunday	October 15	after the service	Paper bidding at UCWC
Sunday	October 22	after the service	Paper bidding at UCWC
Thursday	October 26	7:30-8:30 pm	Online bidding
Saturday	October 28	4:00-5:00 pm	Paper bidding at UCWC

You will be able to see the online bid sheets at any time using the links that will be provided to registered bidders. However, bidding will only be possible during the biddings session. (The sheets will be locked for editing at other times.)

Live/Hybrid Auction

Live Auction and Celebration at UCWC October 28

4:00 – 5:00 pm	Silent Auction Bidding with Paper Bid Sheets
5:00 – 5:30 pm	Entertainment and Preparation for Live/Zoom Auction
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Live/Zoom Auction
6:30 – 7:00 pm	Dessert and Wrap-up

The Zoom link and password will be emailed to all registered bidders. (If you wish to join the fun, be sure to register. You are not obligated to bid.) **When you join the Zoom session, change your screen name to include your paddle number before your name. For example, “99 Romeo and Juliet.” (We will help you with this.)**

Bidding

Beginning Bids and Fixed Price Bids

Minimum bids have been specified for most items. Some items are “fixed price” items where several are available. In this case, you may simply enter the fixed price.

Multiple Bids

Some items (parties, for instance) are offered for more than one person. In the silent auction, enter multiple bids, if you want more than one item.

In the live/Zoom auction, the auctioneer will open the bidding at the minimum price and will ask who’s willing to pay that price. If more people are interested than the maximum allowable winners, the auctioneer will raise the bid and ask again. This process will be repeated as people drop out of the bidding until the number of people still bidding drops to the maximum allowed.

Bell Ringers

From time to time throughout the evening, there will be occasions when an item or service is offered more than once. When this occurs, after the bidding is over, a bell will be rung, and the item or service will be offered to the next highest bidder(s) as well as the highest bidder at the next highest bid. For example, suppose there is a mad and furious bidding for Five hours of Domestic Service. Several people bid this up to \$150, then all but one drop out and the final bid of \$155 is accepted. If this had been a bell ringer item, a bell would be rung and both bidders who bid \$150 will be offered the item for that price.

After the Auction

Payment

The day after the live auction, you will be emailed an invoice with all your winnings listed. Payment can be made four ways:

- Send your check to **UCWC, 501 S. High St., West Chester, PA 19382** (preferred, since no transactions fee are charged to UCWC). Please put “auction” and your paddle number in the memo line.
- Via [this online link](#). There will be a blank field next to the dollar amount where we request that you please enter your paddle number.
- Via [this PayPal link](#). You will be asked to enter your paddle number number.
- Via this PayPal QR code. You will be asked to enter your paddle number number.



Collecting on Your Items

- The donor’s name and contact information will be listed on your invoice.
- It is your responsibility to contact the donor and arrange for delivery of the service at a mutually agreeable time. You needn’t contact the donor immediately; you have up to one year to collect on your items, unless otherwise specified by the donor’s description.
- If you have any questions about how to contact the donor, you can email auction@ucwc.org.



LIVE AUCTION STARTS 6:30 PM SHARP



- 63 A Pie for Each Season.** Winning this bid brings four delicious homemade seasonal pies to your door. Winter-pumpkin, Spring-strawberry, Summer-blueberry, Fall-apple. Exact dates will depend on local harvest and recipient's input. Bid high and enjoy the fruits of the season delivered to your door. **FMV:** \$80. **Min Bid:** \$32. **Offered by:** Susan Batchelor.
- 81 One Dozen Homemade Vegan Whole Wheat Chocolate Chip Peanut Butter Banana Oat Cookies..** Homemade, fan-favorite, made with love in a plant-based (but not nut-free) environment by aspiring bakers who like to watch baking shows. Peanut butter and pureed banana used instead of oil makes these a moist and delicious meal disguised as a cookie. **FMV:** \$12. **Min Bid:** \$5. **Offered by:** The Munz Family.
- 31 House Sitting/Small Pet Sitting.** Going out of town and need someone to pick up your mail, water plants and tend to an indoor small pet? I will keep an eye on everything while you are away from home. Up to ten days of sitting. **West Chester area only and fully vaccinated households only, please.** **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Cindy Rosenthal.
- 66 Pruning with Prunes.** 2 hours of pruning, with prunes...with an old pruner. Prunes included! Thorns, prickles, ouchy things... bring it on! I will also teach you The Prune Song! References available upon request. Limit 1" diameter, please. Date negotiable. **FMV:** \$60. **Min Bid:** \$24. **Offered by:** Janet Hutchison.
- 1 Lasagna for Six.** Lasagna one, ya seen 'em all? No way! You'll love this three-layer 9x13 lasagna made with Steve's special puttanesca sauce (tomatoes, red wine, onions, garlic, spices, kalamata olives, red pepper flakes, minced anchovies -- sorry, no capers), mozzarella, parmesan, and ricotta. Delivered frozen or fresh with one-week's notice. **FMV:** \$72. **Min Bid:** \$30. **Offered by:** Steve & Linda Sander.
- 4 Pasta, Passion, and Pistols Murder Mystery Party.** You are invited to Little Italy, New York City, c. 2009 to La Steelaria restaurant to honor our dearly departed Giuseppe (Pepi) Roni and to enjoy a fine Italian dinner with his family and friends. **Saturday February 17, 2024. Top 7 bidders win.** **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Marie & Mark Steel.
- 71 Handyman Service - Wood Furniture Repair.** I will attempt to repair any item made of wood that can be transported to my shop.. **FMV:** \$120. **Min Bid:** \$50. **Offered by:** Dexter Chisholm.
- 65 Weekend in the Woods.** Enjoy a weekend at the Hyson housekeeping cottage, located in northwest Connecticut on Hartland Pond, a 5-hour drive from West Chester. With miles of hiking trails and a canoe to explore the lake (no motors allowed), this peaceful cottage is the perfect escape. So far, there is still snow here every winter. **SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Up to four days/three nights. There are blackout dates (such as major holidays).** **FMV:** \$500. **Min Bid:** \$200. **Offered by:** Hyson Family.
- 86 Three Jews and a Gentile Dinner.** Join three Jews and a Gentile for a traditional Jewish meal with Gentile appetizers. The main course will include Middle Eastern chicken and a brisket. Sides will include Jewish kugel, kasha and bow ties and more. Unforgettable desserts will be made by an authentic Bubbie. At the Cohle's house on the evening of **Saturday March 9, 2024. Eight seats available.** **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Diane Cohle, Ed Cohle, Jen Feld, Brett Goldman.

- 17 UU Rock.** Handmade Unitarian Rock **FMV:** \$5. **Min Bid:** \$2. **Offered by:** Shelly Case.
- 75 Geeta's Amazing Chocolate Bombs.** Warm up those cold winter evenings with a mug of gourmet cocoa! This will include six homemade chocolate spheres filled with cocoa, marshmallows, and assorted gourmet flavors. Just add hot milk for an explosion of chocolatey goodness! **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Geeta Shivde.
- 8 CSA Fruit Share for the 2024 Season.** Enjoy a 15-week CSA Fruit Share in 2023 (season August through mid-November). Includes approximately 8 pounds of seasonal tree fruit from the farm including peaches, nectarines, plums, pears, Asian pears, and apples. A great mix of flavors to enjoy with the family or share with friends and/or coworkers. Special Conditions: Arrange weekly pickup with Lisa Ruch (Lisa@northstarorchard.com) for the 2024 Fruit Share season (starts the first week of August, 2024). Pickup locations include: the West Chester Growers' Market, the Phoenixville Farmers' Market, or the North Star Orchard Farm Store in Cochranville. **FMV:** \$420. **Min Bid:** \$165. **Offered by:** North Star Orchard LLC.
- 24 Lake Harmony Vacation Home 2-Nights Getaway.** Secluded 4-bedroom, 3-bathroom vacation home at Lake Harmony in the Poconos during the off-season (Fall or Spring - Check with Donor). Fully furnished including a deck overlooking preserved woods, gas fireplace, outdoor firepit, foosball table, and air hockey table. Includes the use of a 2-person kayak. Great hiking in Hickory Run State Park plus close to historic Jim Thorpe. Check it out on Airbnb at <https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/53989164>. **Special Conditions: A deposit of \$300 is required. \$150 of the deposit will be returned if the house is left in good condition. The remaining \$150 is for a cleaning fee. No pets or smoking allowed.** **FMV:** \$500. **Min Bid:** \$250. **Offered by:** Jack & Alane Butler.
- 64 Bread for a Year.** Cinnamon Raisin, Whole Wheat, Seven Grain, Sweet Potato, Oatmeal, Pumpkin. It's too hard to choose...How about ALL OF THEM? I will deliver a freshly baked loaf of yeast bread to your door once a month for the whole year. Winner has input into flavor options. **FMV:** \$80. **Min Bid:** \$64. **Offered by:** Susan Batchelor.
- 10 Vinyls And Vittles Listening Party.** Come to my West Chester home for an evening of vinyl records from all decades on a quality sound system and enjoying a casual dinner and drinks. Guests are welcome to bring records to add to the listening pile! Food will include appetizers, white bean chicken chili, vegetarian chili, and whatever guests bring along as well. **Top 6 bidders win. Date to be determined.** **FMV:** \$40. **Min Bid:** \$16. **Offered by:** Brett Goldman.
- 80 Five Servings of Vegan Veggie Bean Chili.** Five generous portions of medium heat, high-protein vegan chili. Hearty with TVP (textured vegetable protein), multiple kinds of beans, corn, and assorted veggies. Will come in an aluminium pan for reheating or freezing. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** The Munz Family.
- 50 Walt Whitman's "Stranger, if you passing meet me and desire..." Limited edition print.** Walt Whitman's "Stranger, if you passing meet me and desire..." Artist – Liza Garrett Nollman 1950-1974 (younger sister of UCWC member Robin Garrett); a giclée print on archival quality paper from the original linoleum block print never reproduced for sale before. **FMV:** \$175. **Min Bid:** \$70. **Offered by:** Robin Garrett.



Silent Auction ART



- 21 Abstract Photography Print.** Matted and framed 12 x 22 inch abstract photography print which can be hung vertically or horizontally. **FMV:** \$60. **Min Bid:** \$44. **Offered by:** Lynne Maas.
- 44 Nancy Barch Watercolor.** "At the Academy." 17x11 (framed 26x20) watercolor of the Academy of Music. Nancy Barch is an acclaimed Philadelphia area artist with multiple awards and commissions. This is an early work. For a similar period work, see <https://www.ebay.com/itm/113770197293>. Signed by the artist. **FMV:** \$300. **Min Bid:** \$100. **Offered by:** Steve & Linda Sander.
- 45 William Barnett Watercolor.** "El Toro." 16x12 (framed 22x18) watercolor painted during Barnett's Guggenheim Fellowship in Spain. William Barnett was one of Philadelphia's premier painters in the middle of the twentieth century. His paintings are in collections worldwide including the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, the Geroge de Braux Gallery in Paris, Gallerie Internationale in New York City, the Cleveland Museum, and the Israeli Government. For the artist's obituary in the Inquirer, go to <https://ucwc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/2023-045a.jpg>. Signed by the artist. **FMV:** \$500. **Min Bid:** \$150. **Offered by:** Steve & Linda Sander.
- 69 Renaissance Design - Framed Book Page, J.H. Hefner-Alteneck.** Actual value of this page from a book published in Germany is unknown. Extensive research finds no extant copies of the book for sale. Similar books by Hefner-Alteneck sell \$300-\$600. Could be something of a collector's item or maybe not so the estimated value is set fairly low. It is nicely framed so if you like the charmingly romantic image depicted Renaissance style, go for it!! **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Robin Garrett.
- 72 Framed Print - Crimson Birdsong #1.** Artist - Laurel Lehman. 22 x 22. Beautifully framed and matted print in neutral colors. **FMV:** \$100. **Min Bid:** \$40. **Offered by:** Lauren Kelly.
- 84 Brandywine Museum of Art - Two Passes.** Explore the art and the landscape that inspired three generations of Wyeths and other renowned artists. Special Conditions: Top two bidders each win a pair of passes. If you want four passes, enter two bids. **Not valid during the annual Antiques Show on Memorial Day weekend.** **FMV:** \$40. **Min Bid:** \$16.. **Offered by:** Brandywine Museum of Art.



Silent Auction ENTERTAINMENT



- 6 Two Complimentary Admissions to the American Helicopter Museum.** The American Helicopter Museum & Education Center in West Chester is home to one of the largest collections of rotorcraft. Their family friendly exhibits allow you to get up close, and sometimes even climb inside. The museum is open Thursday-Sunday. The passes have no expiration date. See <http://www.americanhelicopter.museum>. **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** American Helicopter Museum.
- 14 Basket of Beatles.** CD set: Paul McCartney, Tripping the Light Fantastic.
CD set: *Beatles Live at BBC*
DVD set: *A Hard Days Night*
Book: *You Never Give Me Your Money* (soft cover)
Book: *Unseen Archives* (hard cover)
All gently used. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Second Reading 2 Book Store.
- 15 Parcel of Patterson.** Six James Patterson Books to keep you in suspense through the winter. Gently used. **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Second Reading 2 Book Store.
- 33 Concert, Picnic, and Wawa Hoagie or Salad of Your Choice.** I will treat eight people to admission to a concert TBD -- either at the Bryn Mawr or King of Prussia series. I'll also treat you to dinner of your choice from Wawa. Please bring your own chair or blanket and drinks. **Venue and date to be mutually decided. Top 8 bidders win.** **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Debby Kern.
- 46 Singing Vocal Warmups.** Jen Feld has sung for years, using professional vocal warmups that she will share with you and walk you through, and a few microphones, which you can try out at her house. Come join Jen for an afternoon exploring professional vocal warmups together and trying out her microphones. Jen will also share the vocal warmups with you on her Google Drive for you to use at home. Event takes place at Jen's house in West Chester. **Date: Sunday, Feb 11, 2024.** **FMV:** \$35. **Min Bid:** \$14. **Offered by:** Jennifer Feld.
- 48 Uptown! Voucher for Two Tickets.** Voucher for two tickets to a performance of your choice at Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts, 226 N. High St., West Chester. See all of their upcoming performances - theater, music, comedy, dance and film - at uptownwestchester.org. **Expires 10/31/2024.** **FMV:** \$90. **Min Bid:** \$36. **Offered by:** Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center.
- 49 Winterthur Admission for Two.** A pass for two (2) people to visit the Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library in Delaware. Founded by Henry Francis du Pont, Winterthur (pronounced "winter-tour") is the premier museum of American decorative arts, reflecting both early America and the du Pont family's life here. Its 60-acre naturalistic garden is among the country's best, and its research library serves scholars from around the world. **Not valid for special exhibitions. Some dates excluded. Good for one year.** **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Winterthur.

- 52 St. Patrick's Day Party.** A perennial favorite! Meet with friends, make new friends, have a drink, eat some snacks, sing some songs. **\$25 FIXED PRICE. FIRST 25 bidders win.** Enter once for each person attending. **Date: Saturday, March 16, 2024. FMV: \$25. Min Bid: \$25. Offered by:** Shelly Case & Gerry Giess.
- 53 Charades Party.** Join us for a night of charades. We will break up into teams of 4-5 and have a fun time making fools of ourselves while trying to act out titles of different plays, books, and movies. This is an event that is full of laughs -- join the fun! Light snacks provided. **\$15 FIXED PRICE.** No limit to number of attendees. Enter once for each person attending. **Date: Saturday, November 11, 2023. FMV: \$15. Min Bid: \$15. Offered by:** Shelly Case & Gerry Giess.
- 73 Singing Through the Hard Times and Dear Jean Albums.** Two internationally acclaimed compilations, produced by our own Rev. Dan Schatz. This is a rare chance to own original copies of the GRAMMY® nominated *Singing Through the Hard Times - a Tribute to Utah Phillips* (now out of print) and the internationally acclaimed *Dear Jean - Artists Celebrate Jean Ritchie*. These hard to find CD sets include contributions from Pete Seeger, Judy Collins, Janis Ian, Emmylou Harris, John McCutcheon, Kim and Reggie Harris, Kathy Mattea, Gordon Bok, and many others, including Rev. Dan. You get both albums, for a total of 4 CDs of amazing music! **FMV: \$40. Min Bid: \$16. Offered by:** Rev. Dan Schatz.
- 88 Two Tickets to Barley Sheaf Players.** We will buy you either two tickets to one show or one ticket to two shows of your choice at this charming community theater in Lionville. Just let us know the date you want to go. Please cash in by December 2024. See barleysheaf.org. **FMV: \$40. Min Bid: \$16. Donated by:** Nancy Artus & Curt Hoganson.



Silent Auction FOOD AND DRINK



- 2 "Nothing Bundt Cakes" Cooler Lunch Bag with Cake Vouchers.** Nothing Bundt Cakes in Whiteland Towne Center, Exton has donated a cooler lunch bag with two vouchers: one for a decorated 8" cake and one for four bundtlets of your choice. Visit their website at <http://www.nothingbundtcakes.com> to see their many flavors and design options. **FMV: \$62. Min Bid: \$25. Offered by:** Nothing Bundt Cakes Exton.
- 3 Asuka \$25 Gift Certificates.** \$25 gift certificates to Asuka Chinese & Japanese Cuisine, located in the Westtown Shopping Center at 1502 West Chester Pike, West Chester. Top two bidders each win a certificate. **FMV: \$25. Min Bid: \$10. Offered by:** Asuka Chinese & Japanese Cuisine.
- 5 The Couch Tomato Cafe \$20 Gift Card.** Enjoy fresh, local and organic food, with plenty of vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free offerings at The Couch Tomato Café, located at 31 W. Gay St in West Chester. **FMV: \$20. Min Bid: \$8. Offered by:** The Couch Tomato Café.
- 16 Candy House Mold.** Forget the gingerbread. A chocolate house is easier and quicker. This cast iron mold has two sides for different house styles. I've included two bags of delicious chocolate wafers to get you started. If you want to stay with tradition, instructions are for either gingerbread or candy. Recipes for gingerbread and icing "glue", too. **FMV: \$35. Min Bid: \$14. Offered by:** Debbie Sisco.

- 22 E's Sweet Treats \$50 gift certificate.** Enjoy a \$50 gift certificate for cookies, cupcakes or other sweet treats artistically designed to match a logo or favorite theme. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Janine Galen.
- 32 Freshly Baked Sourdough Bread or Bagels.** Two loaves of fresh sourdough bread -- one for now one to freeze for the future. Choose from original, rosemary garlic, cheddar jalapeño, or apple cider raisin...OR...One dozen bagels - flavors can include plain, everything, and/or cinnamon raisin. Top four bidders each win bread or bagels as per their choice. Contact seller to arrange date of desired pickup with at least one week notice to ensure maximum freshness. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Emily Sweet.
- 34 Yori's Bakery Gift Card.** \$25.00 gift card for Yori's Bakery at 15 N. Church St. in West Chester. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Pam Seres.
- 35 Dia Doce & Cathey's Coffee Gift Card.** \$25.00 gift card for Dia Doce & Cathey's Coffee, 100 South High Street in West Chester. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Pam Seres.
- 47 Bars, Bars, Bars.** I grew up in the midwest eating hot-dishes, jello-salads and bars. I've long since given up jello-salads, but I confess to enjoying the occasional hot-dish, and I still love bars. I'd like to share my love of bars with you by making family bars for you this year--Sandy's Cranberry White Chocolate Bars for the winter holidays, Cousin Patty's Rhubarb Bars to welcome spring, Aunt Dorothy's Crisp Toffee Bars for the 4th of July, and Mom's Pumpkin Bars for Thanksgiving. Enjoy a taste of the Mid-West with Bars, Bars, Bars and more Bars!!! **FMV:** \$80. **Min Bid:** \$32. **Offered by:** Sandy Schaal.
- 51 Lunch and a Stroll in Marshallton.** Robin Garrett invites one or two people to lunch on a balmy day on the patio at the Four Dogs Tavern in Marshallton. If the successful bidder(s) would like, Robin will take you on a walking tour of the village. Top two bidders win. **FMV:** \$20. **Min Bid:** \$8. **Offered by:** Robin Garrett.
- 60 \$50 Gift Card to the Two Birds Café.** Enjoy delicious breakfast or lunch at or taken out from Two Birds Cafe, 663 Downingtown Pike, West Chester. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$50. **Offered by:** Shelly Case.
- 82 Emeril Lagasse Air Fryer 360 plus Two Cookbooks.** Brand new Air Fryer cooker along with two cookbooks written by Emeril for this model air fryer. Great for salmon, tater tots, and all kinds of foods. **FMV:** \$125. **Min Bid:** \$50. **Offered by:** Janine Galen.
- 83 Wine Chiller and Bamboo Charcuterie Board.** Impress your friends with a nice wine and cheese presentation! Pre-owned — but not used — single bottle wine chiller, and bamboo charcuterie board with cheese knives in drawer. **FMV:** \$100. **Min Bid:** \$40. **Offered by:** Lauren Kelly.
- 62 Giant Pie Pumpkins.** Chris Hyson grew "New England Cheddar" pumpkins this year, a variety bred to be sweet, low in moisture, and HUGE. Each pumpkin is in the 15-20 pound range, enough to make: 3 pumpkin pies, 3 loaves of pumpkin bread, 12 pumpkin pancakes, 10 roasted pumpkin wedges, tasty roasted pumpkin seeds... and still have left-overs. Top 3 bidders each win a pumpkin. **FMV:** \$15. **Min Bid:** \$6. **Offered by:** Chris Hyson.
- 85 \$50 Gift Certificate to Hank's Place in Chadds Ford.** The philosophy of Hank's Place is "breaking bread" with friends and family. It is a place "Where Hungry People Eat and Friendly People Meet". Known for its hand crafted comfort food, Hank's is frequented by locals and visitors to the Brandywine Valley. Top two bidders each get a \$50 certificate. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Janet and Lowell Young.



Silent Auction HOLIDAY ITEMS



- 12 Hand-Crafted Christmas Cards Set A.** Christmas cards hand crafted by Joan Odell. 5 of each of 2 designs: dashing reindeer/snowflakes; sparkle pinecones/music. **FMV:** \$40. **Min Bid:** \$16. **Offered by:** Joan Odell.
- 13 Hand-Crafted Christmas Cards Set B.** Christmas cards hand crafted by Joan Odell. 5 of each of 2 different designs: pine cones/holly; sparkle trees/snow. **FMV:** \$40. **Min Bid:** \$16. **Offered by:** Joan Odell.
- 25 Christmas Table Runner.** Brighten your holiday table with this quilted red poinsettia with green and gold table runner hand made by Joan Odell. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Joan Odell.
- 26 Winter Bird Table Runner.** Decorate your winter season table with this winter nuthatch with blue and silver quilted table runner hand made by Joan Odell. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Joan Odell.
- 76 Death Star Tree Topper.** Tired of the same old angels and stars? Give your Christmas tree a unique flair with this Star Wars remote controlled musical light-up Death Star Christmas topper by Hallmark. (Bet you didn't expect to find all those words in one auction blurb, did ya?) It lights, it flashes, it plays the Star Wars Theme and the Imperial March. This amazing item has to be seen (and heard) to be believed - for a demonstration, see <https://youtu.be/hj4GBqTAA6s?si=Ni-EMiCHBmfsI3zH>. New in box. **FMV:** \$180. **Min Bid:** \$40. **Offered by:** Geeta Shivde and Rev. Dan Schatz.
- 87 Holiday Centerpiece - Fresh Greens and Flowers.** Lovely winter/holiday centerpieces using fresh pine greens and fresh flowers. Approx. 10" diameter. To be delivered Dec. 22 or 23 (or earlier upon mutual agreement). Top 6 bidders each win one. If you want more than one, bid multiple times. **FMV:** \$60. **Min Bid:** \$24. **Offered by:** Janet Hutchison.



Silent Auction HOME & GARDEN



- 18 Three Spicebushes.** Northern Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*) is a native, fast-growing deciduous shrub with aromatic leaves. It is dioecious, meaning that male and female flowers are on separate plants, so you should plant at least three to have a good chance of getting pollination and the resulting attractive red berries on the female plants. Spicebush prefers shade but will also grow in sun and is host to the native spicebush swallowtail. Available this fall or spring 2024. Top 2 bidders. **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Nancy Artus & Curt Hoganson.

- 19 Three Saint John's Wort Shrubs.** Shrubby St. John's Wort (*Hypericum prolificum*) is a native shrub with brilliant 1" yellow, bee-pollinated flowers from June-August and mahogany, peeling bark. Grows 3-5' tall, prefers full or medium sun, and medium to dry moisture. Three young plants, ready to take home after the auction (or we can deliver them the next day). **FMV:** \$20. **Min Bid:** \$8. **Offered by:** Nancy Artus & Curt Hoganson.
- 20 Young Eastern Redbud Tree.** Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*) is a small, native tree with showy, dark pink blossoms in the spring, and heart-shaped leaves in the summer and fall. They do well in full sun or partial shade, and reach 20-30 feet at maturity. You will get a sapling that will take about 4 years before it starts blooming. **FMV:** \$6. **Min Bid:** \$3. **Offered by:** Nancy Artus & Curt Hoganson.
- 23 Beautiful Blue, White, Yellow Toile Bedding for Queen Bed.** Blue and white is in again. Beautiful custom-made queen toile bedding set. Two standard shams, two Euro shams, queen bed skirt and queen duvet cover. Blue/white toile with blue/yellow accent and piping. Accent pillows. Dry Cleaned. Makes a beautiful room. **FMV:** \$150. **Min Bid:** \$60. **Offered by:** Lauren Kelly.
- 37 Yellow Flowers Flower Pot.** Beautiful flower pot,, 6 inches high, 7 inches wide, with bright yellow flowers and yellow trim. Made in Italy. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Catherine A. Palmquist.
- 58 Dawn Redwood Seedling.** We get frequent volunteer seedling from our neighbor's Dawn Redwoods. They are deciduous and are best planted in fall or winter when they are dormant. They are a little difficult to get going, so I'll replace the baby twice if it fails to come back in the spring. You need to plan for a deep central root and it will need shade and water until it is established, and then is happy with sun. Dawn Redwoods were allowed to remain in Native Tree Area at Longwood Gardens because they were thought to be extinct until 1940. **FMV:** \$20. **Min Bid:** \$8. **Offered by:** Cheryl Pittenger.
- 59 Brown Thumb Winner Plants.** The Daffodils will come as bulbs dug from the pictured plot, and will be available at auction time for planting. Next spring I will dig up and put in 6" pots and deliver the rest of these easy to grow plants as they emerge in my garden. Lambs Ear, and Blackeyed Susans do best in Sun. Ostrich Fern and Japanese Painted Fern do best in partial or full shade. Orange Ditch Lillies are happy in full sun but seem to do fine with just a few hours of sun. You'll need to water a little more at first. Also included are Yellow Flag Iris and Spotted Chinese Silver Grass. Once established these all thrive as long as you pull enough of the weeds so they aren't buried. They come back again and spread each year. **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Cheryl Pittenger.
- 77 Acurite Professional Weather Center with Wireless Sensor.** This new in box weather center measures temperature, humidity, rainfall, wind speed and directions, and more. **FMV:** \$125. **Min Bid:** \$30. **Offered by:** Geeta Shivde and Rev. Dan Schatz.



Silent Auction VARIETY OF ITEMS



- 36 UU Sweatshirt.** FAMOUS UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS - AND...ME! Attractive white sweatshirt with black printing listing over 50 Uus. Size X-large, made in the USA. **FMV:** \$35. **Min Bid:** \$14. **Offered by:** Catherine A. Palmquist.
- 38 Himark Suitcase Style Picnic Basket Set.** Suitcase style woven picnic basket with a fully lined washable vinyl interior. Straps hold dinnerware set neatly in place. Includes dinnerware for four; plastic reusable dinnerware in classic white. Set includes 4 dinner plates, 4 knives, 4 forks, 4 spoons, 4 10 oz mugs, 4 nested yellow tumblers and 4 nested blue tumblers. Also, includes a 50" X 50" vinyl tablecloth. Side straps keep lid in an upright position. Basket measures 18" x 12" x 8". **FMV:** \$75. **Min Bid:** \$30. **Offered by:** Cathy and Dick Palmquist.
- 56 Homemade Dog Biscuits.** Two dozen pumpkin and peanut butter dog biscuits for your favorite dog or grand dog. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Janine Galen.



Silent Auction MIND & BODY



- 11 One Week of Summer Dance Camp.** At Time To Leap, we believe that every child is born with an innate love of dance. We provide a supportive and nurturing environment that fosters growth. All classes are age appropriate with a strong emphasis on technique, and are taught by our highly qualified dance instructors. The week of camp will include plenty of themed dancing, crafting, snack time, a camp shirt, and a performance at the end of the week. See www.timetoleap.net. Summer 2024. **FMV:** \$250. **Min Bid:** \$100. **Offered by:** Time To Leap Dance Center.
- 39 Muse's Touch Wellness Sessions.** Twelve Message Sessions - Buy one, buy three...as many as you need. Twelve sessions are available. If not for yourself, consider giving the gift of massage, body work or energy work this holiday season. Great for student athletes, concussion injury, weekend warriors, and pain management and general wellbeing for people and pets alike.

Enjoy a relaxing wellness session tailored to your needs. Muse's Touch can adjust touch, technique and focus as the session progresses. Sessions are 60 minutes on the table. Feel free to gift a session to family and friends, and/or use it for animal wellness!

Special Considerations: My home office in Downtown is dog-friendly, so ease with animals and allergies should be considered before bidding. And, I travel to your home for animal treatments. Schedule at least one week ahead if you can. **Fixed Price \$60. First 12 bidders win.** **FMV:** \$80. **Min Bid:** \$60. **Offered by:** Margaret Christy, Licensed Massage Therapist, Bowen Work & Reiki Practitioner.

- 42 \$50 Gift Card to In Harmony Wellspring Spa.** Good for a professional skincare treatment, massage, or body contouring at In Harmony Wellspring Spa, located at 525 E Gay St., West Chester. Three winners - must be different people. Expires 5/31/2024. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** In Harmony Wellspring Spa.
- 43 Five Yoga Classes at In Harmony Wellspring Yoga.** Five yoga classes, online or in person, at In Harmony Wellspring Spa, located at 525 E Gay St., West Chester. Three winners - must be different people. Expires 5/31/2024. **FMV:** \$75. **Min Bid:** \$30. **Offered by:** In Harmony Wellspring Yoga.
- 55 6 Hours of Genealogical Research.** Jump start your family tree with 6 hours of research by a 20-year veteran. With as much or as little as you know, I can help you build a meaningful family tree. **FMV:** \$150. **Min Bid:** \$60. **Offered by:** Mark Matteson.
- 74 The Song and the Sigh by Dan Schatz.** Rev. Dan's hardcover of meditations book comes with a CD of 17 songs. For the CD, Dan is joined by the folk duo Magpie and others. Can be signed for the person of your choice. **FMV:** \$15. **Min Bid:** \$6. **Offered by:** Rev. Dan Schatz.



Silent Auction THE GREAT OUTDOORS



- 7 Two Complimentary Admissions to Longwood Gardens.** Experience the dazzling horticultural displays of Longwood Gardens, from the 4-acre conservatory to the 20 outdoor gardens and the fountain displays. Two passes, timed entry not required. Visit longwoodgardens.org. **Not valid for specially ticketed events (such as Fireworks or Wine & Jazz), Fri-Sun during a Longwood Christmas, any day Dec 25-Jan 3. Expire 2/2/25.** **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Longwood Gardens.
- 54 Chanticleer Garden - Two Passes.** Chanticleer is a 35-acre garden in Wayne featuring lush courtyards of tropicals, perennials and containers; water gardens; exotic and native woodlands; and a spectacular ruin garden. **FMV:** \$24. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Chanticleer Garden.
- 61 Sunset Kettle Fire, Overlooking Stroud Preserve.** I live on a hill overlooking Stroud Preserve (just outside West Chester), with a long view of the countryside and room to roam. Let's gather on my patio and get a fire going in our copper kettle as we savor the views and watch dusk fall. There's an easy 1-mile hike around the open farm field. I will supply hot dogs and fixin's, plus marshmallows, smores and hot chocolate. BYO adult beverages. \$10 per adult; \$5 youth; \$25 per family.. Note: this is a classic, life-shortening American food experience featuring less-than-fully-healthy fare. Attendees may wish to plan on having a healthy dinner afterward! DATE: November 4, 2023 at 5 pm. Please enter the number of people and your own calculation of the cost with your bid. MAX ATTENDEES: 20. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** You calculate the fixed cost. **Offered by:** Matt Zencey.



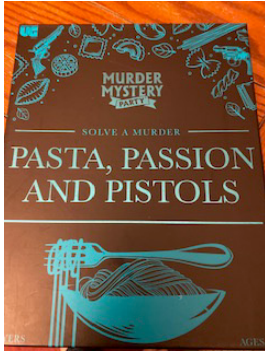
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- 9 Flaming Chalice Hanging Sculpture.** This hand-sculpted, cast, and painted richly-textured piece displays the symbol we hold dear in this bas relief-style design. Great for yourself or gifting (Christmas is coming!) From my hands to your wall, it is 8 x 8 round and is for indoor or 3-season room display. The winner of this item may request a different color combination if you can allow 3 to 4 weeks production time. **FMV:** \$140. **Min Bid:** \$56. **Offered by:** Lisa Ruch Studios.
- 27 Halloween Table Runner.** Decorate your fall table with this spooky haunted house, ghosts, cats and spiders orange/black/purple/gray quilted table runner hand made by Joan Odell. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Joan Odell.
- 28 Spring Table Runner.** Decorate your Spring season table with this flowered blue/yellow/white quilted table runner hand made by Joan Odell. **FMV:** \$50. **Min Bid:** \$20. **Offered by:** Joan Odell.
- 29 Silver Necklace.** Sterling silver necklace, 23 inch length, ¼ inch width with easy to manage clasp. **FMV:** \$20. **Min Bid:** \$8. **Offered by:** Cindy Rosenthal.
- 30 Silver Earrings.** Sterling silver hand-etched wire loop earrings. **FMV:** \$25. **Min Bid:** \$10. **Offered by:** Cindy Rosenthal.
- 40 Truck Cards.** Five watercolor cards by Pam Sapko. **FMV:** \$15. **Min Bid:** \$6. **Offered by:** Pam Sapko.
- 41 Handwoven Towels.** Two colorful handwoven towels by Pam Sapko. Cotton and linen fiber. Can machine wash and dry. **FMV:** \$40. **Min Bid:** \$16. **Offered by:** Pam Sapko.
- 57 UU Chalice Necklace and Earrings.** A goldtone necklace and earrings shows many different style of UU flaming chalices. **FMV:** \$30. **Min Bid:** \$12. **Offered by:** Cheryl Pittenger.
- 67 Venetian Mardi Gras Masquerade Masks.** Two elaborate and striking hand held Mardi Gras masks of the style worn in Venice for centuries. **FMV:** \$20. **Min Bid:** \$8. **Offered by:** Robin Garrett.
- 68 Royal Tara Fine Bone China Candy Dish.** Produced in Galway. While many Royal Tara small dishes and bowls are available from the Royal Tara sales site and on eBay at prices varying from \$5-\$20, this design has been discontinued and is rare, thus the higher estimated value. **FMV:** \$75. **Min Bid:** \$30. **Offered by:** Robin Garrett.
- 70 Handcrafted Wooden Step Stool.** A step stool hand crafted by Dexter with white oak from our yard and black walnut from Fred Matt's woodshed. At 11 inches high it is tall enough to sit on yet low enough to stand on. The legs extend slightly beyond the 11 x 18 inch top so that it is not tippy in any direction. There is a hand hole in the top so that it can be picked up and moved with one hand. **FMV:** \$120. **Min Bid:** \$50. **Offered by:** Dexter Chisholm.
- 78 Artisan Pendant and Earring Set.** Lovely handmade pendant and earring set. **FMV:** \$40. **Min Bid:** \$16. **Offered by:** Geeta Shivde and Rev. Dan Schatz.
- 79 Six Homemade Pop-up Cards.** Set of homemade pop-up cards, including 2 Birthday, 2 Thinking of you, and 2 Congratulations, made by the Munz girls (Slay@HomeStudios). Top two bidders each win a set of cards. **FMV:** \$12. **Min Bid:** \$5. **Offered by:** The Munz Family.

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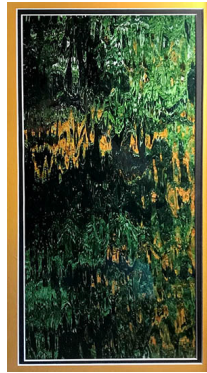
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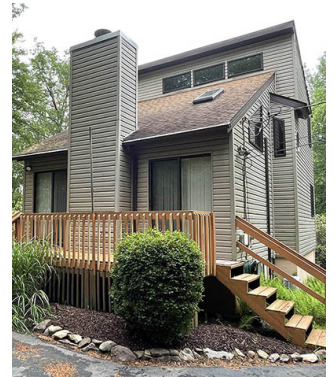
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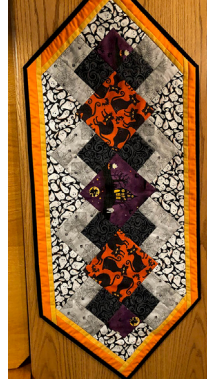
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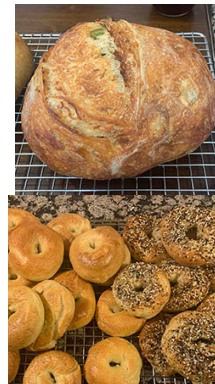
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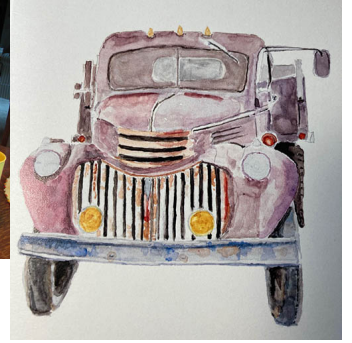
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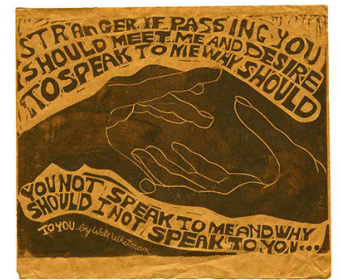
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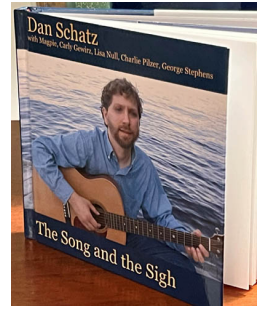
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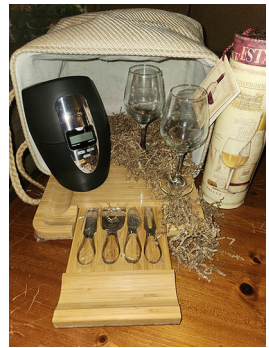
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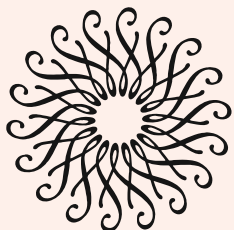
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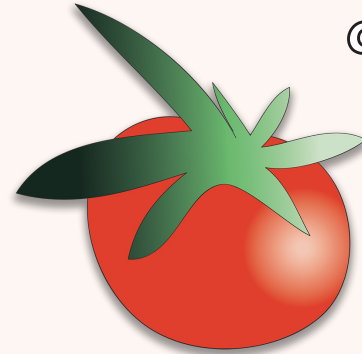
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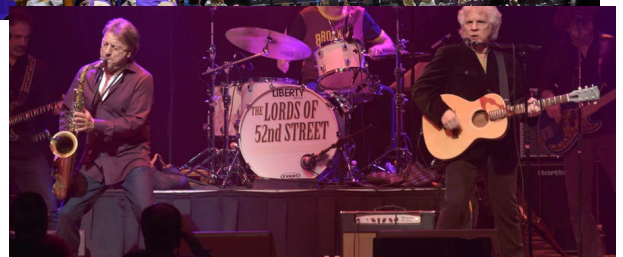
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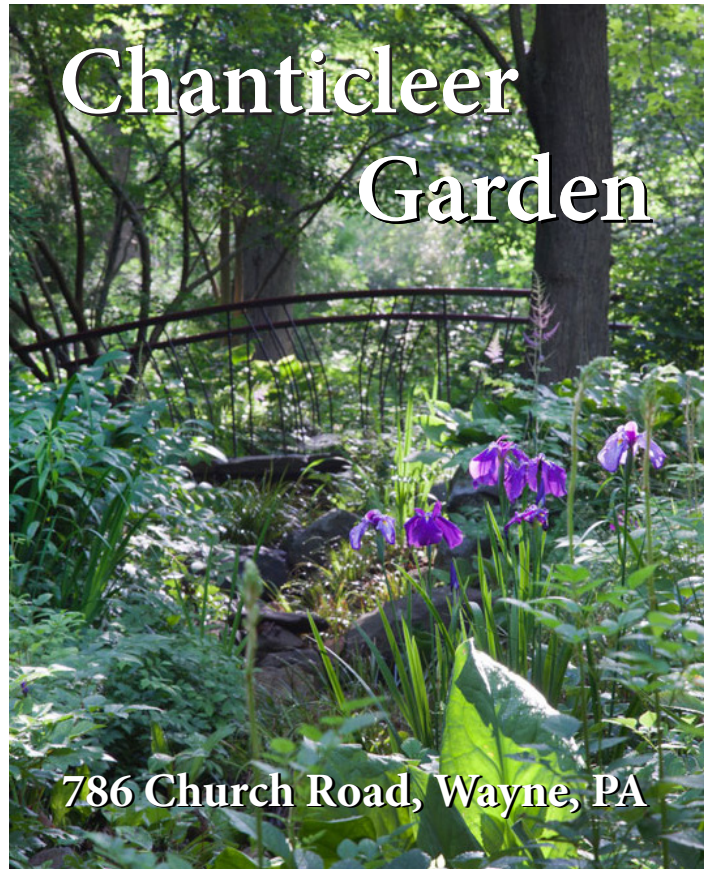
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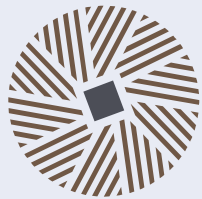
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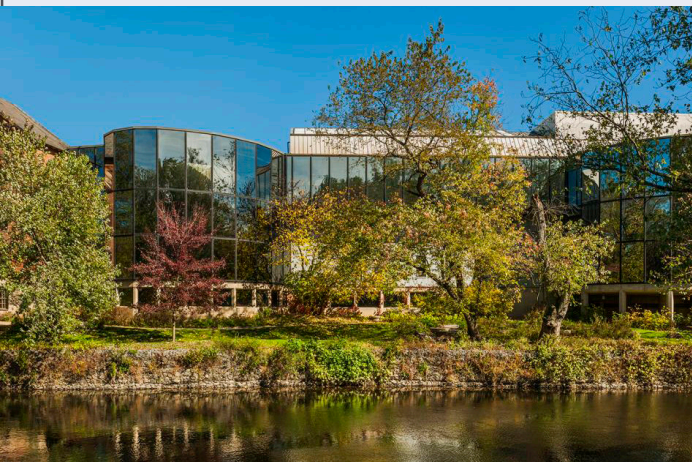
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