

## 2021 Online Auction Descriptions

### **#1 Sunday Morning Coffee Basket (\$125 Min)**

This basket is everything you need for a relaxing Sunday morning. Items in this basket include: a Cinnamon Roll Baking Class provided by Pies and Pastries by Lana Shope for up to 6 people, Coffee from Crimson Anchor, 2 Yeti coffee tumblers, "There's No Place Like Home" wall décor, Vera Bradley Throw Blanket & carrying bag, "Sunday Morning Coffee" CD by Chip Davis, "The Mountains Wild by Sarah Stewart Taylor from Pageturner's" Bookstore and sunrise photo magnet.

### **#2 Saturday Night Out Along the Great Western Trail Basket (\$125 Min)**

Load the bikes and head for the Great Western Trail. Stop along the trail and enjoy dinner out with a \$50 gift card from The Chicken. Then keep pedaling for some well-earned beverages at the Iowa Distilling Company (\$50 gift card). Make your way home and relax on the couch with some A & W rootbeer, Confluence Brewing Company Beer, Dot's pretzels and your favorite snacks provided by Norwalk Fareway. (Includes \$25 Fareway Gift Card). The next morning sip some coffee in your two new thermal tumblers provided by Scheels and head to your favorite park with a picnic basket filled with dishes, glasses, and silverware. Head home and sip some Prairie Fire from your (4) outdoor flasks while watching the sunset from home. (Prairie Fire Donated by Carla Kuehl-Purdum, FWCC Board Member, Flasks donated by Linda McCullough)

### **#3 Explore Iowa's Great Outdoors (\$125 Min)**

Iowa is a majestic state once you start exploring. This basket will get you started with the Iowa State Parks Adventure Journal and Iowa's County Conservation System Guide to Outdoor Adventure book. Included with the picnic tote is a "The Great Outdoors" wall décor, 6 Cliff bars, 2 reusable sandwich bags, water backpack, trek poles, a Casey's gift card for \$25 and dog waste disposal keychain. Basket Courtesy of Carla Kuehl-Purdum, Scheels, and WCCB

### **#4 Discover Forest Therapy Basket (\$75 Min)**

This basket is a relaxing forest dream. The winner will receive a gift certificate for a 3-hour guided walk for up to 10 people complete with wine and charcuterie after your walk. Winning bidder will receive a reusable tree tote filled with the following items: *The Outdoor Adventure Guide to Forest Bathing* by Suzanne Bartlett, 2 mugs, 2 tripod chairs, essential oil bug spray & forest room spray, and portable cutting board with cheese knives. This basket was donated by WCCB, Karen Johlas-Szalkowski, and Carla Kuehl-Purdum

### **#5 Blank Park Zoo Behind the Scenes Giraffe Tour for 6 People (\$125 Min)**

Grab five friends for a behind the scenes giraffe tour at Blank Park Zoo. You will learn about animals of the African savanna ecosystem, chat with the zookeeper, and feed hungry giraffes. The gift certificate comes with an adorable stuffed giraffe. This basket was donated by Blank Park Zoo and John (FWWC Board Member) & Kathy Krogmeier. Visit [blankparkzoo.com](http://blankparkzoo.com) for more details.

### **#6 Family Fun Basket (\$75 Min)**

Perfect for grandparents with hours of fun for the whole family. This basket includes the following items: binoculars, Peterson Field Guide- Young Birders Guide to North America, Field Notes- A Birder's Journal, Pack of 2 balls, Whiffle bat & ball, 32 sticks of sidewalk chalk, frisbee, Above & Below Puzzle, River Otter Puzzle, National Parks Patches, Board Book-First Animals, I Draw workbooks-forest & outback, My Favorite Animal Stickers, Wildlife Coloring Book, Dinosaur items-erasers, card game, hot wheels, & book, Paint a Bird Bistro, Fox paper model, Catapult Science Epic Lab Activity Box, 48 paper

airplanes, hand crafted lion, 2 Warren County Backpacks and a handy basket to store everything. Basket courtesy of Karen Williams, Nancy Engle, John (FWCC Board Member) & Kathy Krogmeier.

#### **#7 Hand Painted Rain Barrel, planters, and garden tools (\$75 Min)**

Getting planting with some garden tools & planters. Then, save water and use nature's rainwater for your trees and flowers. This one of kind rain barrel is recycled, assembled by your WCCB naturalists, and hand painted by FWCC member Ace Hendricks. These frogs are waiting to hop into your yard.

#### **#8 Make Your Own Movie with Stikbots (\$75 Min)**

StikBots are posable action figures that allow for small changes in their pose. This helps to create your own stop-motion animation video, using your cell phone and an app available to download on their website. This basket includes the following: animation studio green screen & background, 2-red Brontosaurus dinosaurs, 2 blue Carnosaur dinosaurs, green T Rex dinosaur, red Pachycephalour dinosaur, 3 elephants (red, green, gray), and 3 rhinos (red, green, blue). For more information and ideas visit <http://stikbot.toys/> Provided by Karen Williams and John (FWCC Board Member) and Kathy Krogmeier

#### **#9 Red Oak Storage or Blanket Box (\$125 Min)**

Steve Weaver local conservation supporter and former FWCC board member has been working his woodworking skills and created a beautiful Red Oak storage box. This storage box could be used for your child's toys, blankets, or just about anything. The box is stained a Golden Oak color with 3 coats of polyethylene. The box has safety hinges that hold the lid in place when released. There is also a small tray inside. This piece would make a lovely addition to your home. Approximate dimensions 19" Tall and 31.5" Width

#### **#10 Lester Pond at Annett Nature Center Metal Artwork by Grant Webster (\$125 Min)**

Grant Webster, local photographer, and nature enthusiast has captured a stunning great blue heron on a misty morning at Lester Pond located at Annett Nature Center Park. This metal print will add a touch of nature to your space. Visit [grantwebsterphoto.com](http://grantwebsterphoto.com) to view his photography.

#### **#11 Air Fryer (no min)**

Love your French fries and onion rings, but looking for a healthy way to cook them? This Toastmaster air fryer could be your next purchase. To get you started we have included tongs, sea salt, and custom made Saltlickers salt blends and kitchen towel. This basket also included \$20 in Hy-Vee gift cards. Donated by Chris Pace, John & Kathy Krogmeier, Saltlickers, and FWCC

#### **#12 Middleswart Lodge Rental 2021-2022 (\$75 Min)**

The new Middleswart Lodge is soon to be open and ready for your next gathering. This amazing lodge features a large open area, fireplace, kitchen space, outdoor area, and close access to park trails. The sunset view is amazing for photos of your special day. This certificate is valid for a one-day rental. Purchaser will need to call to make a reservation, provide a damage deposit and sign a rental agreement. Basket also includes Deer & Tree décor, tree shaped candles, and forest scented candle. Items provided by WCCB and Carla Kuehl-Purdum. If you have questions about the lodge give us a call at 515-961-6169.

#### **#13 Black Gum Tree & Planting from Ted Lare Design & Build (\$125 Min)**

Ted Lare Design & Build in Cumming, Iowa is holding a Tupelo Black Gum (Firestarter) tree just for you. The tree is about 7 feet fall. This native tree has bright-red foliage in the fall. When mature the tree can

reach 30-50 feet in height. When you are ready, take your gift certificate in and set up an appointment for them to delivery & plant your new tree friend.

#### **#14 Dupont Explosives Box Crate Table (\$75 Min)**

Add this repurposed vintage Dupont table to your living room, bedroom, or any space. This crate side table offers a bit of fun storage and makes a great conversation starter. The original crate is the table, and the lid was made to fit from a second Dupont box. Donated by Carla Kuehl-Purdum, Karen Johlas-Szalkowski, and FWCC. Approximate dimensions 24" tall, 17" x 12" for the box

#### **#15 Willow Basket (\$75 Min)**

Maryls Sowers has showcased her talents with this hand-woven basket. The Willow used to create the basket was harvested locally. This basket could be used as a table center piece, to gather produce from the garden, or just about anything. Her pieces are one of a kind and would make a nice addition to your home décor.

#### **#16 Musicians Delight-Hammered Dulcimer Package (\$125 Min)**

Calling all musicians this your next instrument to master... the hammered dulcimer. This beautiful, hammered dulcimer is easy to play and comes with a stand, electronic tuner, wrench, spoons, music, and music stand. Don't know how to play? Shari Hornback has offered locally based lessons to get you playing away. Donated by Blair & Marilyn Lawson and Shari Hornback

#### **#17 Turkey Hunting Basket (\$75 Min)**

Snag this camouflage bag provided by Theisen's that's ready for your next turkey hunting adventure. Steve Dermand, FWCC Board Member has filled this bag full and includes: a real turkey fan, Camo gloves, camo face mask, turkey slate call, Browning headlight, flashlight, Camo hat, Camo seat cushion, and camo long sleeved shirt.

#### **#18 Smore's Kit (\$75 Min)**

Get your fire started quickly with fire-starters made by FWCC Board Member Carla Kuehl-Purdum and WCCB staff along with your bundle of firewood. Whip up a campfire recipe from the Campground Cookbook by Brenda Kulibert and then cozy up by the fire with a handmade blanket from Nancy Johlas. It's not a campfire without some smores. A metal caddy filled with smores ingredients & roasting sticks will get you started. Roast up a new flavor using your Smore's Cookbook by Lisa Adams. Don't forget your favorite beverage for your new "Life is Better by the Fire" mugs, all while playing the Camp Game board game. Other items donated by Karen Johlas-Szalkowski and FWCC

#### **#19 Seven-Son Flower Tree (\$75 Min)**

Snag up a gift certificate for one Seven-Son Flower tree from Jenkins Garden Market. This tree is a great late summer bloomer, attracts butterflies, and is small to medium in size. Jenkins Garden Market & Landscaping is located in Carlisle, IA.

#### **#20 Butterfly & Hummingbird Garden (\$75 Min)**

Blooming Prairie Nursery has donated 32 native plants to inspire your inner gardener. These plants would make the perfect butterfly and hummingbird garden. Grab your gift certificate and head to Carlisle to pick out your plants. (Valued at over \$100)

**#21 Chinkapin Oak Tree (\$75 Min)**

Get your yard ready for this beautiful Chinkapin Oak donated Iowa Native Trees & Shrubs. The Chinkapin Oak reaches 40-70 feet in height and can grow in many different soil types. This full sun tree yields acorns that your resident turkeys, deer, and squirrels will delight in.