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# Celebrating Our Connections!

The 2024 Auction, *Celebrating Our Connections!*, is a Fun-raiser and Fundraiser all in one! Through the Auction offerings provided by our generous members and local businesses, you will find opportunities to create community and celebrate life, while supporting UUCWC financially.



# A Message from Rev. Kim

It feels different this year, doesn't it? Like we've got our footing again. Like we've got our footing well enough in this new world, that we can even take our hands off the railings. We

can open ourselves to something new. We can reach out to and for one another, once more.

It's why I'm so excited for this year's Auction. Every year it's a joyful and impressive event. But this just know it will feel different.

All within one week, we get to quench every thirst: our want for community and deepening friendships; a wish to learn about and lean on one another's skills and talents; a way to support not only our UUCWC community but, with enough participation, an ability to give back to the larger community who benefit from our generosity. Do you feel the balance coming back into your body? Do you feel your arms stretching wide? I do!

As you look through these offerings, do so with a sense of joy and pride. Each item to buy or bid on is a signal that this community not only exists — despite! — but we are thriving within each other's care.

Thank you for your generosity. Thank you, always, for your wide-armed readiness for what's next, and your ability to celebrate what is.

Rev. Kim



#### AUCTION PROCEEDS HELP US FULFILL OUR MISSION



#### **Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK)**

For the past several years, 50% of the funds raised above the budgeted amount for the auctor proceeds have benefited a social justice of carization. This year, the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK) has been designated as the respient of this funding by the Council for Faith in Action (CFA) through the Faith Expression Funding Team (FEFT).

TASK feeds the hungry and offers programs and services to encourage self-sufficiency and improve quality of life for people in the greater Trenton area. Since its inception 41 years ago serving meals in a church basement, TASK has never turned away anyone who has asked for food. The organization has expanded to deliver more than 9,000 meals each week, six days a week, at its main Escher Street building and 35 community meal sites across the area.

TASK also provides case management services, adult education programs, job search assistance and creative arts classes, empowering those who are served to thrive, not just survive.

For over 10 years, UUCWC has donated food to TASK — most notably, Thanksgiving turkeys.

Your generous participation in the auction will make it possible for UUCWC to support this trusted community leader.

For more info visit TASK or contact Faithfunding@uucwc.org.

On the cover: Seward J. Johnson's sculpture, *Daydream;* photo taken by our own Laura Brandt! We thank Laura for her beautiful image.

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#### **GET READY TODAY!**

You can take these steps now to prepare for the online auction:

**1.** Check out details on the UUCWC website Auction Page for How-to Demo's.

www.uucwc.org/spring-auction.
Beginning April 21, pre-register at
UUCWCauction.asimobile.net.

Create a password and provide credit card information. You can switch to another card at the point of purchase, and your information will be deleted at the end of the auction.

Save your password here:

You'll be able to get a sneak peek at the items being offered along with photos or a graphic representation for each one to help you make your decisions.

- **2.** Familiarize yourself with the two types of auction items:
- Fixed Price (100s, 200s, 300s, 400s) Includes meals, events, custom foods, some physical items, and services. Purchase these items on the spot at the indicated price. You must purchase each item individually rather than filling up a "cart" with multiple items
- Competitive (500s, 600s, 700s, 80 s) Includes physical items, services, specialty food items, gift cards, and exciting vacation rentals. Bid on these items, then check back throughout the week to see if you've been outbid, so you can enter a new bid.
- **3.** Select and prioritize the items you'd like to bid on or purchase, so you'll be ready when the auction goes live. And if you're teaming up with others to bid on a big-ticket item, designate one person to bid for your team.

You can also find this auction book on the UUCWC website: www.uucwc.org/spring-auction.

#### LET THE BIDDING AND BUYING BEGIN!

You can bid or buy anytime beginning Saturday, May 4, 9:00 am, through Saturday, May 11, 9:00 pm. Grab your fixed-price items first, so you won't be disappointed, then bid on competitive items.

#### **Online Navigation Tips:**

- The online site highlights special items and also indicates items that are currently without any bids — so you might be in luck! And keep your eye on the front page for updates.
- If a fixed-price item is sold out, it will no longer appear.
- In addition to searching by item number, you car search items by category such as Cultural, Dinkers, Games/Sports, Home Accessories, Yewelry/Health/Beauty, Trips, and Workshops.

#### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE AUCTION?

- For competitive bids, you will be emailed a list of your winning bids, so you can confirm your purchases.
- For meals, events or services, purchase certificates will be emailed or mailed to you.
- For physical items, the Auction Team will help facilitate the transfer of the item from the donor to you.

Thank you for your participation in the 2024 Auction and good luck!

We gratefully honor the Auction Team and all of the volunteers who generously donate their time to UUCWC.

—Bodo & Mary Baltycki

Thanks to the many generous donors who help to defray the costs of the Auction party, booklet printing, and credit card processing through our Celebrating Connections Fund!



#### 100: Support the Auction! Celebrating Connections Fund!

It takes many contributions to support our community and the hosting of the auction itself. If you are able, we respectfully ask for your donation in lieu of a registration fee and to help defray the 3.5% credit card processing fee, which is a significant expense. Simply choose your donation amount to help us meet UUCWC's financial goals for the current fiscal year. Remember your generous contribution helps us to give our surplus funds to the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen. Unlimited winners for this category ... be one! Thank you for your support.

#### 100s: Buy Now • Hosted Meals • Fixed Price

Meals are among the most popular auction offerings, so each household is asked to purchase only two of these items on May 4, the first day. Beginning May 5, purchase as many as you like!

#### 101 Zambia Dinner & Travelogue July 27

LeAnn Long will serve authentic Zambian cuisine accompanied by a travelogue based on her 2024 trip to Africa. This special slide show will vicariously take you to fascinating places such as Victoria Falls, on multiple safaris, and to primary and secondary schools in rural Zambia. These schools were built and served by Impact Network, a favorite charitable recipient of LeAnn's. If weather allows, dinner will be served outside on LeAnn's Ewing, NJ deck. Fixed price \$65 per person. 7 winners. Date: Saturda, July 27, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 102 Brick Farm Tavern Dinner June

Join Bonnie and Bernie Ruekgauer for dinner at the Brick Farm Tavern in Hopewell, NJ. This is "one of the nation's precious few venues to offer the delight of real pasture-to-table fine dining. The experience takes place in a meticulously restored 1820's farm house, steps away from working barns and fields." Located on Route 518 just east of downtown Hopewell. Fixed price \$65 per person. 2 winners. Date: Saturday, June 15, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 103 Experience an Authentic Spanish Paella Dinner Aug 24

During this year's trip to Spain, Roger and Lynda took a unique cooking class, learning all about paella, a meal invented in Valencia. You can benefit from their class with this inspired paella meal. Join the Shapiros at their home in Ewing, NJ for Spanish appetizers and dinner accompanied by specially selected Spanish wines from their private wine cellar. Come hungry and enjoy the friendship over food. Fixed price \$70 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, August 24, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 104 Ironic Chef Dinner Feb 1

Ironically, the menu has not yet been set for this dinner. Rather, a special 5-course dinner will be created based on ingredients that substitute for ones that the winner do NOT want to have included. So go wild and name an ingredient you don't want the chefs to 5 rve in this UUCWC version of the Iron Chef cooking challenge, done with an ironic twist. Chefs Barbara Drew and Jayme Trott and sous chefs Scott Drew and Bud Johnson will host this dinner at the Trott/Johnson home in Holland, PA. Fixed price \$75 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, February 1, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

#### 105 A Night To Remember: The Last Meal on The Titanic Apr 12

Join us for a unique dining experience as we commemorate the 113th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic. Hosted by Roger & Lynda Shapiro in their Ewing, NJ home with Juan & Sara del Castillo, this event recreates the elegance of the last meal served on April 14, 1912. Promising a totally iceberg-free night, we'll select key elements from the actual menu (first class, of course) served just hours before the tragic sinking of the mighty ship. Embark dressed as you would have been that night and bring a story about your journey to America. There will be live music, cocktails, dinner, champagne and dessert during a 7-course meal. Fixed price \$80 per person. 4 winners. Date: Saturday, April 12, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

#### 106 Delicious Discussion and Vegan Dosas Sept 28

Do you enjoy dosas and delightful discussion over a meal? Are you a newcomer to UUCWC and want to meet new people in a small friendly crowd? This event, hosted by Heather Edwards and Michelle &

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Klaus Zechner, will include a warm welcome, a homemade vegan Indian meal (e.g. dosas, potatoes and lentils), beverages, desserts, lively music, cats and conversational starters among kind people. Join us at the Zechners' Princeton, NJ home to talk, laugh and try some delicious South Indian cuisine. Fixed price \$40 per person. 4 winners. Date: Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

#### 107 Dine at Francisco's on the River Sept 13

Try this great spot upriver in Washington Crossing, PA. Bud Johnson and Jayme Trott want to introduce you to this out-of-the-way Italian/Mediterranean restaurant in a lovely setting along the Delaware River. It's BYOB, so Jayme & Bud will bring the wine! Fixed price \$50 per person. 4 winners. Date: Friday, September 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 108 Cuban Dinner June 22

Hola!! Join Andy Kidd and Dianne Ross at their Holland, PA home for an evening of Cuban cuisine. Enjoy mojitos, cerveza, tostones rellenos stuffed plantain cups, Cuban mojo chicken, rice and beans, salads and flan. Fixed price \$60 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 109 Octoberfest Oct 13

Come celebrate this fun fall tradition with Sue & Bob Busch and Sparky Morrison & Colin Unsworth at the home of Sparky & Colin in Newtown, PA. A meatheavy meal featuring a variety of German foods beers and ales will be served. Wear your best lederhos w. Fixed price \$60 per person. 6 winners. Date: San lay, October 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 110 Passover Seder Dinner April 18

A complete Seder service and meal will be served in the Newtown, PA home of Sue & Bob Busch, along with co-hosts Sparky Morrison & Colin Unsworth. Come celebrate this Jewish tradition with readings from the Haggadah and maybe a few verses of Dayenu if the spirit moves us. This culturally meaningful event can be enjoyed by all. Fixed price \$60 per person. 6 winners. Date: Friday, April 18, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

#### 111 Celebrate Sicily Dinner Jan 25

Sample some of the dishes Marcia Wittmann and Ron Iannacone learned how to make during their foodand-wine adventure in Sicily, an island with a rich history as a crossroads of cultures and cuisines. Enjoy arancini (Italian rice balls), cavatelli bathed in marinara sauce on a bed of homemade ricotta, and two types of involtini (eggplant and meat rolls). A dessert of almond cake with fresh fruit, and Italian wine and soft drinks complete the meal. Fixed price \$70 per

person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

#### 112 Dinner and Conversation at Mizuki Sept 28

Have you tried the local Asian fusion restaurant, Mizuki Asian Bistro, in Pennington, NJ? Mizuki combines a mellow atmosphere with Japanese, Thai and Chinese dishes. The sushi and sashimi are always fresh and delicious. Join Connie and Lee Schofer for dinner and conversation at one of their favorite restaurants. Fixed price \$35 per person. 4 winners. Date: Saturday, September 28, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 113 Authentic Mexican Dinner Oct 5

Join Jayme Trott, Bud Johnson, Marcia Wittmann, and Ron Iannacone at the Trott/Johnson home in Holland, PA for a delicious dinner inspired by their travels in Mexico and Marcia's cooking classes while there. Bursting with flavor and made from fresh local ingredients, these authentic Mexican dishes will be accompanied by complex sauces and salsas. Refreshing beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) will be offered. Save room for dessert! Fixed price \$70 per person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024 at 5:30 ph

#### 4 ondon Broil and Shrimp Dinner Sept 21

A fall tradition, Penny and Denny Rodgers invite you not again to their Ewing, NJ home for a delicious dinner including appetizers, London broil, shrimp, sides, desserts, coffee and tea. The meal will be complemented with a selection of wines and craft beer, too. Fixed price \$70 per person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

#### 115 Steak Dinner a la Schenk Jan 11

Join Michele and Joe Schenk for a multi-course steak dinner at their home in Washington Crossing, PA. Cocktails will greet you upon arrival. We'll move to the dining room for the salad course and our first bottle of wine. Joe will fire up the grill and cook selected steaks to your liking. The final course will be dessert and digestives. Fixed price \$75 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

#### 116 Garden to Table: Tour & Dinner #1 July 27

Enjoy a summer evening by taking a short stroll through Sandy and John Unger's Newtown, PA vegetable and herb garden, perhaps with a glass of wine or a mocktail. After the tour and garden talk, enjoy a number of dishes (vegetarian and non-vegetarian) prepared from a recent harvest, supplemented with food from local Bucks County farms. Fixed price \$50 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, July 27, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 117 Garden to Table: Tour & Dinner #2 Aug 10

Enjoy a summer evening by taking a short stroll through Sandy and John Unger's Newtown, PA vegetable and herb garden, perhaps with a glass of wine or a mocktail. After the tour and garden talk, enjoy a number of dishes (vegetarian and non-vegetarian) prepared from a recent harvest, supplemented with food from local Bucks County farms. Fixed price \$50 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, August 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 118 Brunch at the Market Roost Eatery Nov 2

Join Susan Vigilante and Lori Hoppmann for a scrumptious brunch at Susan's sister's restaurant, the Market Roost Eatery, in Flemington, NJ. Enjoy a selection of eggs Benedict, veggie burgers, omelettes, salads and sandwiches by CIA grad Norman Todd. Satisfy your sweet tooth with scones, croissants, carrot cake, flourless chocolate cake, key lime tart and many more items created by pastry chef Carol Todd. And to accompany the brunch offerings, indulge in a Mimosa or Bloody Mary to complete your experience. Fixed price \$45 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, November 2, 2024 at 10:15 am.

#### 119 English Dinner "Pub Crawl" June 22

Michael Howe-Smith and Linda Vogt invite you to join them at The Green Man's Pub, British Crossing (aka Michael's Doylestown, PA home and garden) Weather permitting, we'll meet in the pub's poolside veranda, swimming optional. We'll sample pub to mestibles like English cheeses, Pickled Myssels, and Scotch Eggs, then pick from Bangers and Masn, Cornish Pasties, and Raised Pork Pies, washed down with English Ales. We'll finish with something available only in the poshest pubs – Sherry Trifle. The Landlord can accommodate 6 guests at a mere £40 a head (colonial money). Fixed price \$50 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 5:00 pm.

#### 120 Dinner at The Blue Bottle Cafe Jun 7

Pam and Farzad Shadzik would love to invite four people to join them for dinner at one of their favorite local restaurants, The Blue Bottle Cafe in Hopewell, NJ. They'll guide you in selecting menu items and will provide the wine. Fixed price \$65 per person. 4 winners. Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 121 Dinner at D'Floret TBD

If you've never been to D'Floret in Lambertville, you're missing one of the area's finest restaurants! Steve and Sue Saddlemire invite you to join them for dinner in this intimate setting with a unique menu surrounded by local art. You are certain to have a

most enjoyable culinary experience. Fixed price \$60 per person. 2 winners. Date: TBD by mutual agreement.

#### 122 King George Inn Lunch June 28

Enjoy historical Bristol, PA with a walk along the waterfront and lunch at the popular and historic King George Inn, hosted by Debbie West. Fixed price \$25 per person. 4 winners. Date: Friday, June 28, 2024 at 12:30 pm.

# 123 An Italian Dinner Like Mama Used to Make June 8

Karen and Andy Damato invite you to partake in Andy's time-honored family cooking traditions, using ingredients straight from his own garden for an experience that could only be matched in the old country. Dinner will include: classic antipasto; pasta in a mouth-watering meat sauce with meatballs and sausage; fresh homemade Italian bread; house wine, Italian wine, pilsner and soft drinks; fresh Italian pastries; and cafe Americano or espresso. Arrive hungry! Fixed pace \$65 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, June 3, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

#### 114 Wood-Fired Personal Pizza Oct 20

I play as your favorite "food group," as it is for these nosts, you will enjoy making your own pizza in an autdoor wood-fired pizza oven at Barbara & Scott Drew's Newtown, PA home. Relax on the deck with beverages (beer, wine, etc.) of your choice, farm-fresh salad, a variety of pizza toppings including unusual options: figs, prosciutto, goat cheese and, of course, local farm-made mozzarella, tomato sauce and basil. Watch your cheese bubble and crust brown to perfection as the sun sets. Autumn fruit dessert will also be served. Fixed price \$35 per person. 5 winners. Date: Sunday, October 20, 2024 at 5:00 pm.

#### 125 Traditional German Dinner Nov 2

Johanna and Wendy Stasolla will prepare and serve a homemade dinner that has been a favorite of Wendy's since childhood. This authentic and delicious meal will include sauerbraten with sweet & sour gravy, potato dumplings, red cabbage and apple strudel for dessert. Beer, wine and soft drinks will also be served. Johanna will also be happy to converse with anyone who wants to practice their German! To be held at the home of Johanna and Anthony Stasolla in Washington Crossing, PA. Fixed price \$60 per person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, November 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 126 New Orleans Feast June 1

Laissez Le Bon Temps Roulez! Experience the spirit and vibes of New Orleans at this multi-course meal, plus amuse bouche and dessert buffet! Red beans and rice, duck gumbo, shrimp creole, turtle soup, muffuletta salad ... these are just some dishes that might be on the menu at Kim Bacso's Ewing, NJ home. Includes beer and wine, if desired. Fixed price \$70 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 127 Dinner at Erini's TBD

Experience a delicious, relaxing dinner at Erini's on River Road in Ewing, NJ. Having received "best restaurant overall" 3 years in a row by Trip Advisor and rated among the "best restaurants for outdoor dining" by NJ.com True Jersey, this restaurant is where "positive energy loves company." Enjoy a summer or autumn meal in their beautiful outdoor dining areas, hosted by Barbara & Scott Drew and Sue & Steve Saddlemire. Date by mutual agreement. Fixed price of \$75 per person. 4 winners. Date: TBD

#### 128 Brunch at Yardley Inn Aug 25

Enjoy Sunday Brunch at the Yardley Inn, along the Delaware River, with delicious libations, yummy food and a congenial group of UUs. Yardley Inn is one of Bucks County's favorite eating spots, serving contemporary American cuisine prepared with fresh local ingredients. Hosted by Mary Ann Sprenkle, Judy Rogers, Nancy McNamara and Lydia McMorrow. Fixed price \$35 per person. 6 winners. Date: Sunday, August 25, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

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#### 200 Poetry of Classic Rock June 7

Ever wonder about the meaning of the lyrics in your favorite tunes? You've heard of book groups, now join Al Johnson and Bunny Aicher in their Titusville, No home for a "Music Group" discussion of your favorite rock or folk songs. Each winner chooses one song.

After a light meal we will listen to each song and lick apart its meaning while sipping wine or beer and eating dessert. Past choices have included "Stail way to Heaven," "Hotel California" and "Whiter Shade of Pale." Fixed price \$30 per person. 8 winners. Date: Friday, June 7, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 201 Parrrrty Like a Pirate...Again! Sept 21

Did you know that "Talk like a pirate" is an actual day?! It's a Thursday this year, but please celebrate on September 21 with cohosts LeAnn "Pegleg" Long and "Jolly" Janet Hubbard in pirate activities on LeAnn's Ewing pirate deck. Singing sea shanties, hoisting rum drinks, shivering cornhole timbers, and other piratical pastimes featured. Costumes and parrots encouraged but optional. We promise to not make anyone walk the plank. Fixed price \$25 per person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024 at 2:00 pm.

#### 202 Story Circle, Sunset & Dessert Sept 8

Join Christa Olson and UUCWC friends for a UN-ESCO Story Circle experience, following their program of "Building Resilience Through the De clorment of Intercultural Competencies." We will sat out in the pergola and enjoy the sunset and a raspberry dessert, a specialty of the Olson household, while practicing the art of deep listening. Fixed price \$20 per person. 10 winners. Date: Sunday, September 8, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 203 Lunch & a Movie #1 TBD

Bonnie and Bernie Ruekgauer invite you to join them for lunch and a movie at a time convenient to all. Together you'll choose a great movie at either Montgomery Theater in Skillman, NJ or the County Theater in Doylestown, PA. The choice of theater will determine the lunch venue. Fixed price \$30 per person, 3 winners. Date: TBD

#### 204 Lunch & a Movie #2 TBD

Bonnie and Bernie Ruekgauer invite you to join them for lunch and a movie at a time convenient to all. Together you'll choose a great movie at either Montgomery Theater in Skillman, NJ or the County Theater in Doylestown, PA. The choice of theater will determine the lunch venue. Fixed price \$30 per person. 3 winners. Date: TBD

#### 205 Hidden Gardens of Lambertville & Tea June 8

Rain or shine, enjoy a walk at your own pace through the Hidden Gardens of Lambertville followed by af-

ternoon tea hosted by Deborah Mercer in the Mercer-Pontier garden, Lambertville, NJ. The Garden Tour is open from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and tea will follow at 4:00 pm. Fixed price \$40 per person. 10 winners. Date: Saturday, June 8, 2024 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

#### 206 Bunco Evening Oct 4

Come roll the night away with Michele Downie and Karen Kent in Michele's Hopewell, NJ home. Bunco is a fun, easy-to-learn game involving rolling dice, switching seats, lots of laughing and conversation and no skills required! Sweet and savory snacks as well as beverages will be provided. Fixed price \$20 per person. 18 winners. Date: Friday, October 4, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

#### 207 Charades Jan 18

Once again, Phyllis Warren and Lori Rahn invite you to watch and laugh as your fellow congregants twist, squirm, make all manner of strange movements and wrack their brains as they try to convey to their teammates the names of books, movies, plays or TV shows without uttering a sound, all within a matter of a few minutes. This, combined with a variety of tasty appetizers and beverages, promises to be a special fun evening, because regardless of the score, everyone will be a winner! Fixed price of \$25 per person. 10 winners. Date: Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 7:30 pm.

#### 208 Wine Tasting on the Deck Oct 19

Enjoy a professional wine-tasting event hosted by Leslie McGeorge at her Washington Crossing PA home. The tasting will be conducted by Jen Krictzman, who has worked in the wine and spirits industry for 30+ years. Jeff is a talented teacher, makes wine tastings a lot of fun, and is a UU, too. He received rave reviews for his 2021 and 2022 Auction wine events! Cheeses will be served on the deck (weather permitting) before the tasting, and light bites will also be provided afterwards. Fixed price \$55 per person. 7 winners. Date: Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 5:00 pm.

#### 209 Wildflower Walk & Picnic May 2

Enjoy a relaxing and informative walk among the lovely spring wildflowers at Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve (BHWP), a 134-acre accredited botanical museum in New Hope, PA. This 1 1/2 hour nature exploration will be hosted by Leslie McGeorge and Laura Brandt. Leslie and Laura are BHWP Naturalists, and Laura is also a nature photographer who will give us some photography tips! The guided walk will be followed by a light picnic lunch at the Captain James Moore Pavilion, just outside the Preserve's

deer fence. Entrance fee and lunch (vegetarian options, too) will be provided. Fixed price \$35 per person. 9 winners. Date: Friday, May 2, 2025 at 10:00 am.

#### 210 Morgan Library & Museum Nov 14

Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Morgan Library & Museum in the heart of NYC, which began as the personal library of financier, collector, and cultural benefactor Pierpont Morgan and now includes important music manuscripts, early children's books, Americana, and materials from the 20th century. Join Lori Rahn and Holly Bussey for an introductory trip/tour and experience a special exhibit on the first Director, Belle da Costa Greene, who was instrumental in building Morgan's collection in a male-dominated world. Trip includes train fare and entrance to the museum, exhibit time and free time to wander the amazing features of this museum. Snacks at the Morgan Cafe will be on your own and there will be a special surprise! Fixed price \$65 per person. 4 winners. Date: Thursday, November 14, 2024 8:30 am to 6:00 pm.

#### 211 Ta Chi in the Park June 15

Relax a desperience oneness with the universe in this gentle, mindful outdoor healing practice with fierly, led by Michelle Zechner. Meet at Michelle's house in Princeton, NJ and walk to a local park (adcress and directions will be emailed to winners). Learn simple tai chi and qigong movements. No prior experience necessary. All levels of ability welcome. Practice can be done standing or seated (bring own seat). Light refreshments will be provided. Event lasts about 1.5 hours and takes place outdoors, so a rain date will be arranged if needed. Fixed price \$15 per person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, June 15, 2024 at 11:00 am.

#### 212 Sunday Afternoon Cat Cafe Nov. 17

Join Klaus and Michelle Zechner and their 3 cats (ZZ, Panda & Fabio) for a cozy afternoon of homemade apple strudel, tea/coffee, snacks, chatting and cat cuddling. This relaxing event, held at the Zechner home in Princeton, NJ, will be sure to boost your mood, help you make new feline friends and have fun on a Sunday afternoon! Fixed price \$20 per person. 3 winners. Date: Sunday, November 17, 2024 at 2:00 pm.

#### 213 Snax & Discussion of Selected Shorts Nov 8

Gather together for appetizers and camaraderie and then settle in to listen to a short story program from Selected Shorts, short stories read by well-known actors to a live audience at Symphony Hall and on tour. Three alternative choices will be offered for consideration and the group will vote on which to listen to and discuss over coffee and dessert. If time and interest allows, we will listen to and discuss both or one of the runners up. Hosted by Mary Lou Dahms in her Newtown, PA home. Fixed price \$30 per person. 8 winners. Date: Friday, November 8, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 214 Snax and Holiday Movie Dec 13

The 1964 television film, "Carol for Another Christmas," is a retelling of Charles Dickens's "A Christmas Carol" by the late Rod Serling, host of the Twilight Zone and a fellow UU. As summarized on IMDb, the movie tells the story of a wealthy industrialist and fierce isolationist, embittered by the loss of his son in World War II, who is visited by three ghosts on Christmas Eve and is led to reconsider his attitude toward his fellow humans. Directed by Joseph L. Mankiewicz, it features performances by Sterling Hayden, Ben Gazzara, Peter Sellers, Eva Marie Saint, Robert Shaw and James Shigeta, Enjoy some appetizers, watch the film and then discuss it over dessert and coffee at Mary Lou Dahm's Newtown, PA home. Fixed price \$30 per person. 8 winners. Date: Friday, December 13, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

# 215 Explore the Mandir: A Taste of India and Hinduism Sept 25

Join your hosts Holly Bussey and Jim Sanders to enjoy hours of beauty, peace and discovery at BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, Robbinsville, NJ-masterpiece of exquisite Indian design and work ranship. Marvel at the intricate marble carvings, participate in Hindu rituals and learn about Hinduism, the world's oldest living faith. You can enjoy the grounds and enjoy a snack/lunch at the Shayona food center. With its all-vegetarian cuisine, Shayona is the perfect way to experience some traditional and authentic tastes of India. Carpooling will be arranged from a central location. Fixed price \$40 per person. 6 winners. Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Raindate: Thursday, September 26, 2024.

#### 216 Game Night Feb 1

Phyllis Warren invites you to her home in Lawrenceville, NJ to play whatever games suit your fancy. Enjoy any number of games as you enjoy the company of friends (or make new friends) and a selection of tasty snacks and appetizers. Card games will be offered as well as Rummikub, Big Boggle, Cards Against Humanity and Quiddler. Don't see anything here that interests you? Feel free to bring your own! Fixed price \$25 per person. 8 winners. Date: Saturday, February 1, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

#### 217 Golf Outing with Joe Schenk TBD

Joe Schenk invites you to join him at a local course such as Mountain View Golf Course (or other mutually-agreed upon course) for a rousing round of golf in spring 2024. Includes the greens fee, lunch and 19th hole beverages. No Mulligans! Fixed price \$75 per person. 3 winners. Date and course TBD with the winners.

#### 218 Chic Flix #1 June 14

Join fellow UU women (chics) in the comfort of Loren McAlister's Yardley, PA backyard to enjoy delicious food (light dinner, dessert and beverages) and an interesting movie (not necessarily a tearjerker). A fun evening hosted by Loren McAlister and Barbara Drew. We anticipate using an outdoor screen after sunset for our viewing, weather permitting. Starting time is set according to sunset time. Fixed price \$30 per person. 6 winners. Date: Friday, June 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

#### 219 Chic Flix #2 July 19

Join ( dlow UU women (chics) in the comfort of Loren McAlister's fardley, PA backyard to enjoy delicious food (light dinner, dessert and beverages) and an interesting movie (not necessarily a tearjerker). A fun evening hosted by Loren McAlister and Barbara Drew. We anticipate using an outdoor screen after sunset for our viewing, weather permitting. Starting time is set according to sunset time. Fixed price \$30 per person. 6 winners. Date: Friday, July 19, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

#### 220 Chic Flix #3 Nov 1

Join fellow UU women (chics) in the comfort of Loren McAlister's Yardley, PA home to enjoy delicious food (light dinner, dessert and beverages) and an interesting movie (not necessarily a tearjerker). A fun evening hosted by Loren McAlister and Barbara Drew. Fixed price \$30 per person. 6 winners. Date: Friday, November 1, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 221 Rock 'n' Picnic & Painting June 2

Rock your world and paint a small (palm-sized) stone for your garden or a special meditation collection. Nancy Neff and Barbara Drew will supply the special paint and stones, or you may bring a rock you collected from a special place. Sample designs will be provided; artistic skills are not required. Enjoy the meditative experience and light picnic-style refreshments provided in Nancy's Titusville, NJ backyard. Fixed price \$25 per person. 6 winners. Date: Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 3:00 pm.

# 222 Tete a Tete with Ruth & Friends #1 June TBD

Explore spirituality, UUCWC history, life lessons, or a topic of your choice with our own UUCWC treasure, Ruth Samsel. Experience a meaningful conversation and perhaps gain some wisdom and insights from Ruth along with Kevyn Malloy and Bonnie Ruekgauer while enjoying light refreshments provided by Barbara Drew in an outdoor setting near Ruth Samsel's Newtown, PA home. Date and time either in early June/summer by mutual arrangement. Valued at \$97. Fixed price \$40 per person. 3 winners. Date: TBD.

# 223 Tete a Tete with Ruth & Friends #2 Sept TBD

Explore spirituality, UUCWC history, life lessons, or a topic of your choice with our own UUCWC treasure, Ruth Samsel. Experience a meaningful conversation and perhaps gain some wisdom and insights from Ruth, Kevyn Malloy and Bonnie Ruekgauer while enjoying light refreshments provided by Barbara Drew in an outdoor setting near Ruth Samsel's Newtown, PA home. Date and time in early fall by mutual arrangement. Valued at \$97. Fixed price \$40 per person. 3 winners. Date: September 2024. TBD.

# **224** Golf and Lunch at Cobblestone Creek Country Club

Join golfer Susan Vigilante on a Tuesday or Friday Na a morning round of golf and lunch at the private Subblestone Creek Country Club. The greens are fast and fun with beautiful fairways. Chef Ramon (ill provide a gourmet lunch for the lucky winners. Cobblestone Creek is located right off I-295 and Rte. 206 in Lawrenceville, NJ across from Rider. Golf fees alone are \$100, so consider this a bargain at a fixed price of \$110 per person. 3 winners. Date TBD by mutual agreement in spring, summer, or fall of 2024.

#### 225 Paradise Rules Golf Outing with David

Enjoy a golf outing for three (to complete a foursome) at one of the Mercer County, NJ golf courses. You choose between Mercer Oaks West, Mercer Oaks East, Mountain View, or Hopewell Valley Golf and Country Club. Join David Thomas for 18 holes using "Paradise Rules," (as many Mulligans as you want, generous "gimmies"). Golf carts and a post-golfing meal at the clubhouse are included; outdoor dining is available. Offered by David Thomas. Fixed price \$70 per person. 3 winners. Date: TBD

#### 226 Create Your Own Candle Oct 3

Join your hosts Holly Bussey and Jennifer Ciccolini for an afternoon of community, conversation and true candle making (from wick-to-wax to scent). Whether you are new to world candles or a connoisseur, you are in for a treat. At Wax N Scent Studio in New Hope, PA, you will experience a private session in creating your own unique scented candles and learning more about scents, all while enjoying calming camaraderie. This women-owned business isn't your typical candle place. "The secret to our candles lies in the unique scents and wax we use. All of our wicks are 100% lead-free and burn for an extended period of time. We make use of the highest quality soy-based and paraffin blend wax, along with grade A oils, to create highly scented candles. The fragrance aroma produced by our candles lasts longer and has a more soothing effect." A nosh and beverage will also be provided (must be 18 or older). Carpooling will be arranged from a central location. Fixed price \$60 per person. 4 winners. Date: Wednesday, October 3, 2024, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

#### 227 Pottry, Picnic & Forest Bathing Hike Oct 12

Ion Geri Koblis and Loren McAlister, your hosts for a lisurely autumn walk in the woodlands of the Watershed Institute, Pennington, NJ. We will meander along the .7 mile boardwalk trail among woodland and past meadows, listening to poetry and pausing for some meditative forest bathing. You never know what surprises may delight us. Afterwards, an outdoor picnic lunch will be served. Fixed price \$30 per person. 10 winners. Date: Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 10:30 am.

# 228 Fonthill Castle & Mercer Tile Tour & Picnic Sept 22

Join Lori and Renae Rahn for a visit to Fonthill Castle and the Moravian Tile Works in Doylestown, PA on Sunday, September 22, 2024. Note: date may be subject to change depending on Fonthill schedule. A picnic lunch will also be provided. Fonthill was the home of archaeologist and tile maker Henry Mercer. It is an example of a poured-in-place concrete structure and is embellished with tiles. Mercer's artifacts from his world travels make this a must-see place! In the Tile Works, you can watch the tiles being made. The site is not fully accessible and you must be able to walk steep winding stairways. We will meet and carpool from UUCWC and expect to return at 4:00 pm. Fixed price \$55 per person. 4 winners. Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024 at 11:30 am.

#### 229 Celtic Fling & Highland Games June 22

Throughout the centuries, the tradition and charm behind the music, dance and stories of the Celtic peoples have captivated the world. The Celtic Fling & Highland Games is an unbridled celebration that salutes both traditional and contemporary Celtic heritage. Enjoy traditional pipe bands, modern Celtic rock bands, and everything in between. Add delicious Celtic cuisine, fresh brewed wines, ales and ciders for a fun-filled day. Veteran attendee Bonnie Gilbert will lead you on this all-day tour of the 26th annual Celtic Fling and Highland Games at Mount Hope, PA at the PA Renaissance Fairgrounds. Fixed price \$35 per person. 4 winners. Date: Saturday, June 22, 2024.

#### 230 Movie & a Meal

Join Bonnie Gilbert on a mutally agreed upon Saturday or Sunday afternoon in November, when we'll find a fantastic movie to attend at Montgomery Cinemas, Regal UA at Oxford Valley Mall or AMC at Princeton Market Fair. We'll pick a nice place for a meal either before or after the movie. This past year we saw "The Holdovers" at Montgomery Cinema and then ate at a Thai restaurant nearby. The year before we ate at Mikonos in Ewing and then saw "The Fablemans," another Oscar nominee, at Regal Cinema at Oxford Valley Mall. We'll have a pleasant meal, enjoy great conversation and see a good movie. Fixed price \$40 per person. 4 winners. Date: November, 2024 TBD.

#### 231 Mandala Immersive Art June 2

In this judgment-free class we will explore creative and fun ways to engage in an immersive art experience through drawing Mandalas. The Mandala is an ancient symbol of the universe, consciousness and transformation. Artists Joseph Goldfedder and Brian Tucker will guide you as you experiment with various materials such as crayons, pens, pastels and markers to create our own personal Mandalas. There are no rules — just go with a wild sense of abandon! Materials and light refreshments will be provided. The class will be held at UUCWC and will last 2.5 hours. Fixed price \$25 per person. 10 winners. Date: Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 9:00 am.

#### 232 Casual Supper & New Novel Reading by Author March 15

LeAnn Long has a historical fiction novel awaiting publication — it's set in upstate New York in the 1820's (working title is "The Sacred Stones"). The novel chronicles events leading up to the founding of the Mormon Church — events unknown to many

Mormons. Join LeAnn for a casual pasta dinner, dessert, and drinks in an intimate setting in her Ewing, NJ home where you'll be among the first to hear selected readings from LeAnn's novel. A lively conversation is sure to follow. Fixed price of \$60 per person. 7 winners. Date: Saturday, March 15, 2025 at 5:00 pm.

#### 233 Bottle-Feed Baby Goats May 18, 2024

For the children in your family or within you! Join us on this fast-approaching Sunday for a 45-minute baby goat feeding and cuddling adventure at the Bubbly Goat Farm in nearby Stockton, NJ. Offered by Karen and Andy Damato, who report that adults (including Karen) and kids loved the experience last year. Learn more and view the adorable video: thebubblygoat.com. Fixed price \$18 per person. 4 winners. Date: Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 10:00 am.

#### 234 Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve Experience Sept 14

Join Heather Edwards for this opportunity to immerse yourself in nature at Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve in New Hope, PA. Enjoy the powerful healing properties of spending time with trees and Vildief, while also building community with others from UUCWC. This event will be accessible to all with options for remaining seated in one location close to the parking lot or strolling through the Preserve. Heather will offer a series of invitations for you to engage with the nature around you using your senses. Snacks will be provided and admission fee is included. Fixed price \$20 per person. 6 winners. Date: Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 10 am to noon; rain date Saturday, September 21, 2024.

#### 235 Haiku Workshop and Sharing Nov 15

Fellow poetry lovers, let's gather together and share a few of our favorite haiku and then create our own. We'll discuss the haiku form, as well as senryu, over appetizers and read some haiku. Then we'll take a break to write our own haiku and discuss and share them over dessert. Offered by Mary Lou Dahms in her Newtown, PA home. Fixed price \$35 per person. 8 winners. Date: Friday, November 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 236 "Origin" Screening, Discussion & Supper June 30

A moving biographical drama from acclaimed filmmaker Ava Duvernay, "Origin" is based on the book "Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents" by Isabel Wilkerson, which portrays the author during a time of great personal tragedy. Wilkerson sets herself on a path of global investigation and discovery into the

idea of how race may not be the only determining factor in bigotry. A casual supper will be served while we discuss the issues raised in the film. Sponsored by the Racial Justice Ministry and hosted by Sue Saddlemire and Marcia Wittmann in Marcia's Washington Crossing, PA home. Fixed price \$45 per person. 12 winners. Date: Sunday, June 30, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

#### 237 Towpath Bike Ride & Lunch June 5

Join a fun-filled towpath ride with Jean Semler, Dave Thelen and Elissa Cullen. We'll meet at the Prallsville Mill parking lot in Stockton, NJ to begin our route to Bulls Island State Park, where we will take a scenic jaunt over the Delaware River walking bridge (we just might spot a bald eagle or two), then on to the Lumberville General Store in PA for camaraderie and lunch! Bikes should be in adequate working condition, and helmets worn for safety. Fixed price \$25 per person. 10 winners. Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 10:00 am. Rain date: Friday, June 7, 2024 at 10:00 am.

#### 238 Broadway Songs & Sing-Along Sept 14

Join the 3Cs — vocalists Caryl Tipton and Cecelia Borden and pianist Christa Olson — for a delightful afternoon of selected songs from Broadway. After listening to a selection of musical theater favorites, you can raise your voice in a fun sing-along finale. An array of hors d'oeuvres and desserts, wine and coffee/tea will be served. Hosted in Cecelia's Ewing, NJ home, this trip down Broadway will leave you humming! Fixed price \$45 per person. 8 winners. Due Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 2:00 to 330 pm.

#### 239 Oral History Memoir Writing Oct 5

Do you have an oral history project you've been eager to start with a friend or family member? Stories help us make sense and meaning of our life's experiences. Passed among friends and families, these stories help keep alive important moments and memories with loved ones, and, in some cases, can actually help us heal. Brian Tucker, author of "Generations of War: A Family's History of World War II," has a passionate interest in genealogy and researching stories of transformation and purpose. In this workshop, he will offer tips and techniques to help get you started on the rewarding and fascinating journey of storytelling through Oral History projects. Class will run 2.5 hours at UUCWC in Titusville, NJ. Light refreshments served. Fixed price \$25 per person. 4 winners. Date: Saturday, October 5, 2024 at 10:00 am.

#### 240 Labyrinth Adventure TBD

Join Marianne Alt in exploring three New Jersey labyrinths. Adventure ends with a meal by the ocean. Total leagth of event with driving time about 4-5 hours. Transportation provided to labyrinths from UUCWC or participants can drive themselves. Fixed page \$40 per person. 3 winners. Date: TBD by mutilal agreement.

# 300s: Buy Now • Hosted Events Larger Groups • Fixed Price

#### 300 Sacred Suds and Mythic Pizza March 1

In cold weather, choose your brews and adjust your crust. Guided by Brews Brother Scott Drew, we'll provide a selection of beers to taste, complimentary custom chalice beer glasses that are sure to be collectors' items, pizza crusts and many kinds of veggies, meat and other toppings. You make 'em, we bake 'em in the brick-free ovens at Ye Olde Crossings Room Tavern and Pizza Parlor (UUCWC) — just the thing for what ales you. For the 12th year, this tasting will be cosponsored by George Faulkner and Mike Muccioli and the Church of the Lager Fellowship. Fixed price \$50 per person. 20 winners. Date: Saturday, March 1, 2025 at 5:00 pm.

#### 301 Holiday Sing-Along Dec 8

Get in the holiday spirit as we sing along to your favorite songs and carols of the season accompanied by talented UUCWC musicians. Join Connie and Lee

Schofer with co-hosts Jayme Trott and Marcia Wittmann for seasonal hors d'oeuvres, beverages and desserts served at the Schofers' home in Titusville, NJ. Fixed price \$35 per person. 18 winners. Date: Sunday, December 8, 2024 at 4:00 pm.

#### 302 Evening of Music & Poetry March 9

This popular gathering is in its 16th year! Enjoy an evening of poetry readings chosen by Lori Rahn and Bonnie Ruekgauer and easy-listening music performed live by some of UUCWC's very own talented musicians. And, of course, there is food including hors d'oeuvres and dessert prepared by our hosts Lee & Connie Schofer and Ed & Ronnie Dobrowolski. Enjoy a selection of wine and beer, too. Held at the Schofers' home in Titusville, NJ. Fixed price \$40 per person. 18 winners. Date: Sunday, March 9, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

#### 303 Texas Hold 'Em Poker Nov 22

Joe Schenk will host the popular Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament with dinner and drinks included at his Washington Crossing, PA home. UUCWC members, friends and guests are welcome. We will adhere to the tournament rules of the World Series of Poker, as shown on TV, which will be fully reviewed before play begins. A \$20 chip buy-in will be collected the night of the event to fund the prize pool. An additional optional buy-in will be available. 100% of the buy-in will be returned in prize money to the top three finishers. Fixed price \$30 per person. 30 winners. Date: Friday, November 22, 2024 at 6:30 pm.

#### 304 Games & Lunch at Continental Tavern Oct 16

Fun and games of all kinds with a group that is competitive but kind. (Yes, we help each other.) Enjoy a great lunch at noon in an upstairs private room before we go to the gaming tables. Learn a new game or bring one of your favorites. Hosted by Mary Ann

Sprenkle, Nancy McNamara, and Lydia McMorrow. Fixed price \$30 per person. 15 winners. Date: Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.

#### 305 Tour, Film & Lunch at Continental Tavern Nov 13

Historical and hysterical! Did you know that the historic Continental Tavern in Yardley, PA may have been a stop on the Underground Railroad in the 1850's and served as a speakeasy in the 1920's during prohibition? And paranormal activity has been reported there since the original 1845 hotel was burned and rebuilt in 1877. View the documentary "Secrets of the Continental," enjoy a tour of the current building and share a great lunch with your hosts Mary Ann Sprenkle and Judy Rogers. Fixed price \$30 per person. 15 winners. Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at 11:30 am.

## 400s: Buy Now • Items and Services • Fixed Price

#### 400 Sermon of Your Choice #1 Fall 2024

Reverend Kim will address a topic of your choice in a special sermon during the fall of 2024. Is there an idea you are exploring or an issue you are struggling with and want to learn her thoughts on? She will need with the winner to discuss the topic they choose that deprice \$200, but it is really priceless. 1 winner that:

#### 401 Sermon of Your Choice #2 Winter 2025

Reverend Kim will address a topic of your choice in a special sermon during the winter of 2025. See full description above. Fixed price \$200, but it is really priceless. 1 winner. Date: TBD

#### 402 Sermon of Your Choice #3 Spring 2025

Reverend Kim will address a topic of your choice in a special sermon during the spring of 2025. See #400 for full description. Fixed price \$200, but it is really priceless. 1 winner. Date: TBD

#### 403 Sermon of Your Choice #4 Summer 2025

Reverend Kim will address a topic of your choice in a special sermon during the summer of 2025. See #400 for full description. Fixed price \$200, but it is really priceless. 1 winner. Date: TBD.

#### **404 Your Best Haircut Ever**

David Schumann, a hair stylist for over 40 years, has studied with some of the top hairdressers in the world and enjoys doing haircuts that bring out the best in his clients. Your visit to his salon at 15 Village Square in Logan Square, New Hope, PA will start with a thorough consultation so you can describe the haircut you have always wanted. After your wash, cut and style, David will show you how to maintain that style yourself. Valued at \$85. Fixed price \$70 per person. 4 winners.

#### 405 Gifts of our Faith Poster

Don't we love all the concepts and colors on this year's Stewardship booklet?! Created and donated by David Schumann, the graphic for the *Gifts of our Faith: Generosity of Spirit* is available as an 11 inch by 17 inch poster in living color for your living (or other) room! Fixed price \$15 per person. 25 winners.

#### 406 Centering Song Book by Erin & Kim

Are you interested in playing Dr. Erin Busch and Rev. Kim's special Centering Songs in the comfort of your own home? If you're a guitarist, improviser, or someone who likes to analyze harmony, this is the version for you! This bound copy will include all 8 Centering Songs from the 2023-2024 church year formatted as

lead sheets, i.e. a single line of vocals with chords. Each copy will also include Kim's lyrics ... and will be signed by Erin and Kim! Valued at \$40. Unlimited winners.

# 407 Centering Songs by Erin & Kim (Piano & Vocal)

Are you interested in playing Erin and Kim's Centering Songs in the comfort of your own home? If you're a pianist, this is the version for you! This bound copy will include all 8 Centering Songs from the 2023-2024 church year with fully written-out piano parts and chords. Each copy will also include Kim's lyrics ... and will be signed by our very talented Dr. Erin Busch and Rev. Kim. \$50 per person. Unlimited winners.

# 408 Centering Songs by Erin & Kim — Downloadable Audio

Listen to the Centering Songs wherever you go! Specially composed by our talented Director of Music Ministry Dr. Erin Busch and Rev. Kim, all 8 Centering Songs from the 2023-2024 church year will be available as an mp3 digital download; all songs will be professionally recorded in our sanctuary. Valued at \$25. Unlimited winners.

#### 409 Will Knit/Crochet for UU: Custom Item

Simone Niemczura sure can knit and crochet! She will make a custom scarf, cowl, hat, mittens, baby/toddler sweater or fingerless gloves for you. She will provide with a choice of patterns and you can choose the sames and color(s). Fixed price \$75 per person. 2 winners

#### 410 Health Care Coverage Advice

Facing a decision about your health care coverage sometime this year? If you need to pick a plan and decide about Medicare, but find that trying to decide makes you want to move to Canada, then stop and consult with George Faulkner, retired health care benefits consultant. He will provide whatever it takes to help you decide what is best for you, just as he has helped other UUCWC members obtain good, affordable coverage in recent years. References can be made available. Fixed price \$45 per person. 5 winners. Date: TBD by mutual convenience.

#### 411 Bonnie G Handcrafted Card Creations

Do you like to send unique greeting cards? How about giving your money to UUCWC instead of giving it to the big card companies? Bonnie Gilbert handcrafts beautiful layered cards and is offering variety packets of 6 cards including 3 birthday, 1 thank you, 1 sympathy card and a blank note card. Fixed price \$25 per packet. 4 winners.

# **412 Self-Guided Tour of the Hidden Gems in Center City Philly**

Have you always wanted to explore Philadelphia, but don't know where to start? Have you seen all of the go-to touristy spots and wonder about the hidden gems (like gardens, buildings, and historical places) all the locals know about? This digital self-guided tour is written by ministerial intern Lisa Schilansky. Guaranteed to teach you something new! The 4.3-mile walking tour begins at 17th and Chestnut (close to Suburban Station) and ends at 30th and Chestnut (close to 30th St Station). It is easily accessible by SEPTA and there is plentiful public paid parking between both locations. Fixed price \$35 per person. Unlimited winners.

#### 413 Marble Coasters/Plaques DIY Sept 22

Linda Hahola will lend her artistic experience and talent as you pick your own designs for a set of 4 tumbled marble coasters (or plaques). She will provide all the materials for you, with choice of a matching theme for your set of 4 or for separate designs: wine, women, butterflies, shore, flowers. Depending on drying the cor the sealant, you may be able to take these home, otherwise she will deliver. This craft workshop, held in Zinda's Ewing, NJ home, is suitable for 6th graders and older as well as adults. Fixed price of \$30 per person. 6 winners. Date: Sunday, September 22, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

#### 414 Make Your Own Card Set June 9

Make your own set of 6 cards with the skilled guidance of Linda Hahola in her Ewing, NJ home. Themes include: kid's birthday, thank you and notecards. You design it, and Linda will supply all materials and advice, if you'd like. Card-making fun is suitable for youth from 6th grade and older as well as adults; plan on 3 hours. Fixed price \$25 per person. 6 winners. Date: Sunday, June 9, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

#### 415 Quilted Fabric Wine Bag

Carry your wine in style! These wine bags are made of quilted fabric in a variety of patterns by Karen Scheick. They also have a handle to safely transport the bottle. Fixed price \$20 per bag. 4 winners.

#### 416 Time to Take Up Pickleball!

Join the fastest growing sport in America. Steve Saddlemire offers this package that includes your own paddle and balls along with instructions on how the game is played, serving and hitting techniques and a fun time being outdoors. Fixed price \$50 per person. 2 winners. Date: TBD by mutual agreement.

#### 417 Astrology Chart & Reading

Wonder what's in the stars for you? Now's your chance to have your (or a family member's) natal chart read by a professional astrologer, and support UUCWC! Based on your birth data (date, time, and location), Rachel Hansen (our Office Assistant) will cast a chart for the moment you were born and interpret what the arrangement of the planets in that moment means for you and your life today. Rachel will arrange a mutually convenient private one-on-one Zoom session for each winner to present the reading. Fixed price \$180 per person. 2 winners.

#### 418 Photo Shoot by Frankie

Win a one-hour photo shoot by Frank Jacobs, a semiretired photojournalist from the *Trenton Times* with 22 years in that role. You decide what type of photos you would like, perhaps of you, your family, and even your family pet(s), or an action shot of a sporting event — you name it. Frankie will capture memories for you and will provide a flash drive of the images for you so that you can save them and print them. Date and location (in general area of church) by mutual arrangement. Fixed price \$125. 1 winner.

#### **419 Personalized Limerick**

Provide Phyllis Warren with some interesting, unusual, strange, adorable or funny information about your loved one's personality, quirks, interests, abilities, experiences, talents, or anything that makes them who they are and why they are special to you and she will create a limerick that embodics that information. Great for birthdays, holidays decist my old day. Fixed price \$20 per person. 3 winners

#### 420 Soup for You!

Yes, vegetarian soup for you! Choose a flavor from Janet Hubbard's list or feel free to suggest a few ingredients, and she will deliver it to you by mutually determined convenience. Stews and chilis are also available. Favorites include Greek Minestrone, Gypsy Soup (Moosewood recipe), and Sweet Potato Chili. Janet will do the shopping and chopping and use mostly organic ingredients, plus she will compost at UUCWC's compost pile, which enriches Allie's Garden, whenever possible (a free bonus!). Fixed price \$20 per pot. 8 winners.

#### **421** Amaretto-Glazed Bundt Cake

Ooh, it smells and tastes so good! Shelley Catanzaro will bake you a large, almond-glazed bundt cake. The lovely, buttery texture is enhanced with an amaretto liqueur glaze and toasted almond slivers. All natural and made to order on the date you choose. Please give Shelley two

weeks' notice. Fixed price \$25 per cake. 3 winners.

#### 422 Nearly New Teak Lounger #1

Take a load off in the garden or on the patio with this beautiful folding teak garden lounger chair. Teak wood is known for its exceptional strength and weather resistance, making it far more suitable for outside use than any other kind of wood — the perfect choice if you want to purchase a long-lasting piece of garden furniture. With a natural brown color and wood grain that will weather to a classic patina over time, these teak pieces can be left outside, or treated or stored away from the elements over the winter. Equipped with arms and a high backrest, this lounger is adjustable in angle. Perfect for relaxing and reading a good book. Offered by Holly Bussey and Jim Sanders. Delivery option available. Fixed price \$65.1 winner.

#### 423 Nearly New Teak Lounger #2

Take a load off in the garden or on the patio with this beautiful folding teak garden lounger chair. Teak wood is known for its exceptional strength and weather resistance making it far more suitable for outside use than any ther kind of wood — the perfect choice if you want to turn hase a long-lasting piece of garden furniture. With a natural brown color and wood grain that will weather to a classic patina over time, these teak pieces can be left outside, or treated or stored away from the elements over the winter. Equipped with arms and a high backrest, this lounger is adjustable in angle. Perfect for relaxing and reading a good book. Offered by Holly Bussey and Jim Sanders. Delivery option available. Fixed price \$65.1 winner.

#### 424 Escarole and Lima Bean Soup

Enjoy a pot of delicious homemade soup for a cold winter's night dinner. Made with lots of yummy greens, beans and pepperoni. Andy Damato will whip it up fresh for you with servings for 4 very hungry adults with one week's notice. Pick up at his Titusville, NJ home. Fixed price \$20.1 winner.

#### 425 Homemade Date-Nut Bread

Karen is happy to have re-created the Date-Nut Bread she loved as a child. Slather generously with cream cheese (or the topping of your choice) for a breakfast, lunch or snacking treat. Available with one week's notice for pick up at Karen & Andy Damato's Titusville, NJ home or at church. Fixed price \$15. 1 winner.

#### 426 Jewish Apple Cake

A dense, rich cake layered with Granny Smith apples coated in sugar and cinnamon. Baked in a tube pan, this satisfying treat made with oil and orange juice

serves 10-12 people. Ronnie Dobrowolski has offered this cake in the past and it has been enjoyed by family, friends, auction winners and guests who attended the Music and Poetry auction event. Baked to order, the cake may be picked up at church or at Ronnie's Morrisville, PA home with 2 weeks' notice. Fixed price \$30 per cake. 2 winners.

#### **427 Deep-Dish Apple Pies**

This is a perennial auction favorite because Karen Scheick makes the best pies ever! Be one of the lucky winners and get a treat for a special occasion or just because. Karen will bake a homemade, deep-dish apple pie for when you need it. Please give one to two weeks' notice. Fixed price \$20 per pie. 4 winners.

#### **428 Homemade Carrot Cake**

Enjoy a two layer carrot cake with homemade cream cheese frosting for your next special event. The recipe contains walnuts and pineapple. Margaret West will even deliver it to your home. Please give 2 weeks notice. This carrot cake can be made gluten-free upon request. Fixed price \$25.1 winner.

#### 429 Homemade Brownies to Order

Have brownies made to order using Margaret West's family recipe. A double batch of these delicious brownies can be made plain, with walnuts, with chocolate chips or gluten free. Please give 2 week's notice and Margaret will bring them to church a you can pick them up at her Levittown, PA home. Filed price \$15 per person. 2 winners.

#### 430 Bike Maintenance & Repair Lesso

Liam Jensen, who works at Hart's Cyclery in Pennington, NJ, offers a one-on-one lesson in bike maintenance and repair. Liam, aged 17, has been employed doing bike repair for 2.5 years and would like to share his enthusiasm and knowledge with a fellow UUer. He will provide the one-hour lesson at Liam's bike repair fix-it shop at Barbara Jensen's Pennington, NJ home. Date and time by mutual agreement. Let's support our UUCWC youth! Fixed price \$30 per person. 2 winners.

#### 431 Pick-Your-Own Herbs June 15-Aug 15

Stop by the Ewing home of Beth Brasor to pick your own herbs — as much or as little as you need! Select from 3 kinds of mint, lemon balm, lavender, 2 kinds of thyme, oregano, sage, rosemary, and basil. Simply email or text Beth to let her know you're coming and bring scissors and a bag. You may even be invited back for a few "bonus" cuttings in September, depending on supply. Give your meals a boost with

these fresh-from-the-garden flavor enhancers. Fixed price \$20 per person. 6 winners.

#### 432 Your Choice Craft Instruction by Sandy

Sandy Muccioli can teach you a craft of your choice! As the former Education Coordinator for Joann Fabrics (7 years pre-pandemic), she can lend her artistry and experience to help you learn how to sew, macramé, crochet, knit or make jewelry in the comfort of your home. (Don't worry about cleaning; crafting is messy!) Sandy will provide all the supplies and tools for an easy beginner project to be determined between Sandy and the winner. Lesson will last about 3 hours. Fixed price \$60 per person. 3 winners. Date: by mutual agreement.

#### 433 Pennsbury Pottery: Cookie Jar

Terry Caton offers this vintage folk art cookie jar, hand painted with a man and woman walking under the boughs of a tree, carrying a tray between them laden with pumpkin and other food. In pristine condition, the medium-size jar is topped by a decorated lid. Founded in 1950 by Henry Below, his wife and son, Pennsbury Fottery (located on Tyburn Road in Falls Township, PA) was in business for just two decades before a fire destroyed it. A nostalgic piece of local Americana for the discerning collector. Fixed price \$40.

# 434 Pennsbury Pottery: Child's Cup and Bowl Set

Terry Caton offers this lovely set of Pennsbury Pottery — a child's cup and bowl in pristine condition. The cup is hand painted with the figure of a girl with a cat, while the bowl depicts a boy with a dog. Founded in 1950 by Henry Below, his wife and son, Pennsbury Pottery (located on Tyburn Road in Falls Township, PA) was in business for just two decades before a fire destroyed it. A nostalgic slice of local Americana for the discerning collector. Fixed price \$40.

#### **500s:** Competitive Bid • Physical Items

# **500** Walking Stick "Spirits in the Wood" by Roy Vogel

Through his creative and skilled hand-carving, Roy Vogel has found and released the spirits in a 62 1/2-inch long walking stick, entitled "Spirits in the Woods 3" (how many creature spirits can you find?). The stick includes a rubber-tipped foot, useful in walks and hikes. Where will you explore? Presented by Roy to Sallie Dunner in honor of her coordinating the Kirkridge Retreat in 2007. Sallie is now donating this one-of-a-kind functional piece of art. It wouldn't be a UUCWC auction without a Roy Vogel creation! Valued at \$100.

#### 501 Coupe Wine Glass - Set of 6

Let's celebrate! Enjoy the warmth of community with this set of 6 wine glasses donated by Mary Lou Dahms. With a coupe-like design, these 6 glasses will be perfect for your next special celebration. Valued at \$25.

#### **502** Blue Beaded Woven Bracelet

Beautiful pearly blue beads are intricately woven together with a touch of silvery sparkle in this exquisite bracelet by Gladiola Jewelry (based in Yardley, PA) donated by Sallie Dunner. This 7-inch bracelet includes an easy-to-use clasp. Valued at \$30.

#### 503 Bucks Farm Market Basket

Buy local, eat fresh! The Earth and Climate Mir stry Team offers this basket relating to its mission, filled with select items from local farmers' markets, including many organic products from Bucks County, PA. Goodies may include acorn squash (fresh), chocolate, basil (live plant), long grain rice, mild salsa, soap (handmade), sweet potatoes (fresh), almond butter, popcorn kernels, a Swedish cloth, and sun-dried peppers and sun-dried tomatoes. Farm and market sources include Blue Moon Acres, Marie's Soaps, Milk House Farm, Organnon's Market, and Solebury Orchards. Valued at \$70.

#### 504 Eco Basket

UUCWC's Earth & Climate Ministry Team offers this basket of "green, eco-friendly" products for your home use. Cleaning products include: dishwasher powder, laundry detergent strips (no plastic bottles!), storage items: cloth veggie bag, fruit/veggie covers, reusuable silicone sandwich baggie (no plastic wrap!), dish soap liquid concentrate and shampoo bars (no

bottles!), wool dryer ball (no toxic ingredients or plastic bottle), and 3 books for ways to enjoy and help protect our natural environment: *Ways with Wildflowers, 50 Simple Things for You to Do to Save the Earth,* and *Earth, My Dearest* book of inspirational messages. Valued at \$85.

#### 505 Bushnell Birder Binoculars

These Bausch & Lomb Bushnell Birder binoculars have 7 x 35 mm lenses. They were previously owned by Marilyn Cichowski's dad and won at the auction some years ago by Chris Piatek, who took very good care of them. They are a great beginner's pair of binoculars, complete with a hard case and a strap for the case. Valued at \$30.

#### 506 Ken Burns Book "Our America – Photographic History"

You may be familiar with Ken Burns' skillful film documentaries of American history. Now you can enjoy a beauting book of black and white photographs depicting the history of the United States over two hundred y are with descriptive notes for each photograph. When new, this book retails at \$75. Offered by Chris Riatek, it is valued at \$35.

#### 507 Hair Care Basket

Basket of Paul Mitchell "Earth-wise," Tea Tree and Awaphui hair care products including shampoo, conditioner, styling products, finishing products and more! Includes a \$50 gift card for services or products at Donna's Hair Studio on Scotch Road in Ewing, NJ. Offered by Donna Miller. Valued at \$150.

#### **508** Margarita Gift Basket

Celebrate Spring with this margarita basket! Includes Agalima organic margarita mix, a bottle of Jose Cuervo Especial, 2 cactus stemmed margarita glasses and a cocktail recipe book. Offered by Michele Downie and valued at \$50. By bidding on this item, you affirm that you are 21 years of age or older.

#### 509 Star Wars Emperor's Throne Room Lego Set, Signed by Designer

Bid high to become the owner of this brand new Emperor's Throne Room Diorama 807-piece Lego Set. The box and a Lego tile have been signed by the designer, Jackson Hughes, son-in-law of Wendy Stasolla who donated this set. Valued at \$100.

#### 510 Tree of Life Fireplace Screen

Imagine this beautiful piece of tree leaf art covering your fireplace! The beautifully crafted brass tree of life leaf design is backed with metal screening, sturdy and like new. Offered by Susan Vigilante and Lori Hoppmann. Valued at \$125. Minimum bid \$25.

#### 511 Baker's Rack

Susan Vigilante and Lori Hoppmann offer this lovely 4-tiered Baker's Rack that once belonged to Lori's mother. The rack has 4 wooden shelves set in a black metal frame and measures 38 inches (W) by 6 feet 8 inches (H). Valued at \$175. Minimum bid \$30.

#### **512 Toothpaste Winder**

Roy Vogel's daughter, Venetia Vogel-Ross, crafted this jeweled wooden block designed to wind a tube of toothpaste to get the last blob, and beautify your bathroom vanity at the same time! Valued at \$27.

#### 513 Love Spoon

Hand carved by Roy Vogel, this wooden Welsh love spoon is made from poplar wood. The Celtic interwoven design has a small cut out heart. Give it to the one you love. Valued at \$30.

#### 514 Back Scratcher

Roy Vogel hand carved this back scratcher depicting a cat stretching out to scratch those hard-to-reach places. Valued at \$25.

#### 515 Turquoise & Silver Necklace & Earsin

You don't have to travel out west to add this an uoise treasure to your jewelry collection. Robin Purpl offers this 20-inch turquoise necklace with silver beads and earrings. Valued at \$75.

#### 516 Silver Bead Necklace

Stunning! This 26-inch silver beaded necklace will add that touch of class to any outfit, perhaps for the holidays or any special occasion. Why not at UUCWC? Offered by Robin Pugh and valued at \$75.

#### 517 Gold Linked Circles Necklace

Delicate linked gold circles seemingly float in this necklace — perfect for any outfit and any event. This 23-inch necklace is offered by Robin Pugh. Valued at \$85.

#### 518 Marimekko Clasp Purse

Functional art: This Marimekko Puolikas Kukkaro purse is a multipurpose classic, offered by Robin Pugh. This purse is ideal for your daily essentials and much more. It has a metallic frame that is easy to snap open and shut. The materials (one side is daisies

on blue, other is white pattern on black) are printed in Helsinki and the product is sewn in Kitee, Finland. Valued at \$40.

#### 519 Blue Silk Chalice Scarf

Attend UUCWC services and events in style, wearing your faith community symbol "on your sleeve" and on your neck! Silk scarf in peacock blue shimmers and glows with chalices and a statement of our values: Responsible Search for Truth and Meaning; Justice Equity Compassion. Offered by Robin Pugh. Valued at \$50.

#### 520 Bread Basket & Warmer

Offered by Robin Pugh, this like-new bread basket will be so handy and attractive at any meal at home or UUCWC potluck! Keep your bread warm by heating the decorative terracotta stone in the oven for 10 minutes. Place the heated stone in the oval basket and your bread will be toasty (but not toasted). A great way to keep the bread warm and present at the table or buffet. Valued at \$30.

#### 521 Solar Inflatable Lantern

Take this new solar lantern on your next UUCWC adventure hike or family outing, or light your way to your own backyard patio. As seen on TV, this useful item is powerful, portable, and ready for anything! The Luci Original Inflatable Solar Lantern provides up to 24 hours of reliable light on a single charge and collapses down to just 1 inch. Let there be light and enjoy this item offered by Robin Pugh, and valued at \$35.

#### 522 Crystal Goblets Set of 10

Offered by Marty and Jane Friedman, this set of 10 crystal goblets will sparkle and shine, adding special elegance to your table. Valued at \$35.

#### 523 Breville Grill & Griddle

This Breville BGR820XL table-top grill/griddle is like-new, and has many convenient features, just ask Michael Howe-Smith who has gently used it only a few times. It has removable, dishwasher safe plates, opens flat to "BBQ Mode," has variable temperature controls (310-450 F) for low, panini and searing modes, and also 6 adjustable height settings. The griddle can also accommodate a waffle plate (not included). New, this model sells for over \$300. Valued at \$275.

#### 524 Scrimshaw Powder Horn

Roy Vogel offers his handcrafted scrimshaw powder horn depicting the Battle of Trenton -1776. Shown are the map of Trenton, the flag of 1776, the Trenton

Barracks, compass and poem "To Arms to Arms." Displayed on a walnut base with antler supports. Valued at \$175; minimum bid \$150.

#### 525 Hand Knitted Baby Hat #1

Belinda Seiger offers an exquisitely designed and hand knit baby hat that is one of a kind, crafted with love to keep the head of your favorite infant warm on chilly days. This brightly colored hat is knit in shades of yellow with pink floral accents. It even has adorable pink and purple floral "charms" accenting the top of the hat. Valued at \$25.

#### 526 Hand Knitted Baby Hat #2

Belinda Seiger offers an exquisitely designed and hand knit baby hat that is one of a kind, crafted with love to keep the head of your favorite infant warm on chilly days. This adorable hat is knit in warm shades of brown and caramel with gray accents. It even has a cute teddy bear "charm" accenting the top of the hat. Valued at \$25.

#### **527 Citrine Jewelry Set**

Michelle Zechner offers this new, unworn jewelry set that includes necklace, bracelet, earrings and ring purchased from Uno Alta Vollta. Created by a Brazilian artist and inspired by the forms and flowers of Brazil's lush tropical plants, this new jewelry set is hand made from recycled brass sculpted around Brazilian citrine crystals. The necklace, bracelet and ring are all size-adjustable. These lovely pieces alongoriginal purchase price of \$500. Minimura bid \$60.

#### **528 Silver Chalice Pendant**

Artist Lynsy London has been wowing the former congregation of Martha and Rab Bell (Central Unitarian Church, Paramus NJ) with her wonderful handcrafted silver chalice jewelry. Residing in Ringwood, NJ, Lynsy offers a variety of designs. This beautiful chalice medallion, a symbol of our UU faith, comes complete with a chain to adorn you or someone special in your life. Valued at \$125.

#### 529 Pullover Sweater by Karen Kane

Never worn, mock turtleneck pullover sweater by Karen Kane boasts a versatile design with blocks of white, gray and taupe. Knit from a luxurious blend of acrylic, polyester and spandex, this soft sweater will keep you feeling cozy. Size large, tags attached, dry clean only. Valued at \$118 and offered by new members Martha and Rab Bell.

#### 530 Hand-carved Onyx Candle Holder Pair

Pair of hand carved white o nyx candle holders from 1970s for standard tapered candles. Approximately 3 1/2 inches in diameter at base and 10 1/2 inches high. Lovely caramel, cafe au lait and amber colors. Offered by Sandi and Michael Muccioli. Valued at \$60.

#### 531 Edye's Naturals Skincare Set

Pamper your skin with healthy organic products from Edye's Naturals. Her products are handmade locally in small batches using the finest organic ingredients. The package includes Edye's Naturals Deep Nourishing Serum, Face and Body Butter and her wonderful Organic Peppermint Himalayan Salt Scrub. Your skin will thank you! Offered by Edye's Naturals and valued at \$110.

#### 532 Modern Metal Fireplace Screen

Susan Vigilante and Lori Hoppmann offer this likenew modern black metal design cover for your fireplace. The screen is a tri-fold that measures up to 48 inches (W) and 30 inches (H). Valued at \$75. Minimum and \$25.

#### 523 Heart Design Fireplace Screen

Susary Igilante and Lori Hoppmann offer this likenew black metal fireplace screen with a scrolled heart lesign. The screen expands to 48 inches (W) and 30 inches (H). Valued at \$75. Minimum bid \$25.

#### 534 Used Bike Rack for Traveling

Steve and Sue Saddlemire offer this used but still very functional, rack that holds 3 bicycles. It is best used on the trunk of a sedan but can be adapted for an SUV. When new, valued at \$175. Minimum bid \$50.

#### **535 Beer Brewing Equipment**

So you always wanted to brew your own beer? Well now you can. This offer from Steve Saddlemire includes a how to brew book, 2 fermenting pails, stainless steel boiling pot, thermometer, airlock, hydrometer, sanitizing agent, bottle capper and plastic tubing. All you will need to add are the ingredients and an interest in becoming a brewmaster! Gently used and valued at \$200. Minimum bid \$50.

#### 536 Beatles Shea Stadium Poster & Ticket Stub

Love, love me, do. This original poster and ticket stub is matted and framed to commemorate one of the Beatles' last live US concerts, held at Shea Stadium on August 23, 1966. Someone lucky attended; you could be lucky to own this! Ticket to ride! Offered by Patricia Mikes and valued at \$2500. Minimum Bid of \$1000.

#### 537 Finger Labyrinth

Robin Pugh offers a meditative carved wood finger labyrinth, 11 inches in diameter, with a hand-sewn fabric storage over-the-shoulder bag (reversible, too!). Valued at \$80.

#### 538 Nest Bamboo Reed Diffuser

Create the aroma of a welcoming garden with this bestselling fragrance, Bamboo. This reed diffuser features the iconic scent's blend of white florals with an abundance of lush green notes and hints of sparkling citrus. Offered by Robin Pugh. Valued at \$60.

#### 539 Silver Chain Necklace

Let it shine! You will smile and shine, wearing this 18-inch sterling silver chain Cuban link necklace, valued at \$125. Offered by Robin Pugh.

#### **540 Beaded Medallion Earrings**

Exquisite pair of gold French hook earrings have a circular silver medallion with golden center, adorned with a floral pattern of garnet and citrine gems and a bead teardrop. Valued at \$50 and offered by Robin Pugh.

#### **541 Wood Chalice Candle Holder**

This is a small, personal wooden candle holder beautifully etched with a chalice designed and crafted by Brian Watson of Brian Watson Studios. It is beautiful to look at and soothing to hold. Each chalice corses with a small hole to accept a tealight candle. Finished to a shine with a shellac and carnauba was friction polish, this 4-inch chalice is meant to be touched and held. Offered by Robin Pugh. Valued at \$60.

# 542 Gary Simmons Framed Photo – "Portland Head Light in Maine"

If you haven't met Lori Rahn"s friend Gary Simmons yet, be sure to say hello when you see him in church. Among his many stellar traits, this gentleman is a wonderfully accomplished nature and travel photographer. He is donating 3 beautifully matted and framed photos to the Spring Auction. This one, 18 inches (H) x 24 inches (W), called "Portland Head Light in Maine," is a stunning view of ocean waves crashing on a rocky Maine seashore in light fog. Valued at \$100.

# 543 Gary Simmons Framed Photo — "Mabry Mill Pond"

This is the second of 3 beautifully matted and framed photos donated by nature and travel photographer, Gary Simmons. Measuring 18 inches (H) x 24 inches (W), "Mabry Mill Pond" depicts an old mill located

along the Blue Ridge Parkway in Virginia that is nestled in gorgeous fall foliage that reflects in a small pond. Valued at \$100.

# 544 Gary Simmons Framed Photo – "Butterfly on Zinnia"

The third of 3 beautifully matted and framed photos donated by nature and travel photographer, Gary Simmons, "Butterfly on Zinnia" is 17 inches (H) x 14 inches (W). The bright orange stripes in the butterfly's wing mirrors the vibrant color of the zinnia. Valued at \$75.

#### 545 Bread Maker by West Bend

Wake up Sunday morning with the aroma of fresh baked bread! Denny and Penny Rodgers offer this like-new very lightly used West Bend Model 41413 Bread Maker. Not only does it make bread dough, but it can also make a cake & jam. It is programmable and can be set for a "high-rise loaf." Valued at \$75.

#### 546 Betty Crocker Pizza Maker Plus

Betty Grocker Pizza Maker PLUS Model #BC-2958CR is ready for your Friday nights, or special holiday breakfasts. Make pizza, sandwiches, griddle press, crepes omelets, quesadillas and more. Offered by Denny and Penny Rodgers, and valued at \$50.

#### 547 Table-top Convection Oven

Tabletop Homeleader 1300W convection oven. A space saver, perfect for expanding your cooking/baking capacity. Offered by Penny & Denny Rodgers. Valued at \$75.

#### 548 Bath & Body Potpourri

From silky lotion to delicious bonbons, soothe your body and soul with this wonderful basket filled with a variety of relaxing products to help you unwind and leave stress behind. A special treat for yourself or someone you care about. Offered by Joann Flynn and valued at \$100.

#### **549 Natural Pearl Medallion Necklace**

A natural pearl pendant encircled by hammered bronze ... on a pearl and brass-beaded necklace ... oh so pretty. Offered by Robin Pugh and valued at \$100.

#### 550 Silver Mobius Pendant Necklace by J. Crew

This silky-smooth silver pendant has a Mobius loop — an infinite curve with a twist — on an adjustable strap necklace with a luster all its own. Original price tag, "Re-imagined, Inspired by the Planet and its People" is still on it; valued at \$40. Offered by Robin Pugh.

# 551 "Barnstorming" Autographed Book on Barns

With vivid illustrations and interesting information on the stylistic characteristics and historical uses of barns, "Barnstorming in Eastern Pennyslvania and Beyond" is a comprehensive book for anyone who appreciates our beautiful and historic area. Author Jeffrey Marshall is a recognized expert in southeast PA historic architecture. The book has been autographed and is offered by Barbara & Scott Drew (close personal friends!). Valued at \$35. Minimum bid of \$25.

#### 552 Surprise Spirituality Box

Feel lucky? Take a chance and bid on this intriguing box. You supply the sacred space and time — and the contents of this box will provide everything else for a spiritual retreat for all your senses as well as your mind. Good for the soul. Have fun discovering what's inside, then embark on a centering experience that will leave you feeling relaxed and calm. Offered by Holly Bussey and Jim Sanders. Valued at \$75.

#### 553 Flying Pig Whirligig

This whimsical wooden garden spinner, designed, handcrafted and painted by Andy Damato, will add a delightful element to your outdoor space. The one-of-a-kind piece stands approximately 18 inches high with a width of 18 inches. You and your guests are sure to be amused watching the piggy "fly" in the breeze! Valued at \$50.

#### 554 Pennsbury Pottery Assorted Pieces

Terry Caton offers this assortment of serving pi vintage folk art pottery. Included are: a small covered serving bowl, heart design on exterior, dark brown interior; a rooster trivet that can be hung for decoration; a rooster design serving bowl; and 2 heavy mugs, 4.5 inches in height, with people on front of one and an eye on the back and fishermen on the front and a fish on the back of the other. With the exception of the rooster serving bowl, which has two small chips under the lip, all pieces are in pristine condition. Founded in 1950 by Henry Below, his wife and son, Pennsbury Pottery (located on Tyburn Road in Falls Township, PA) was in business for just two decades before a fire destroyed it. A nostalgic collection of local Americana is yours as the high bidder! Valued at \$65. Minimum bid \$35.

# 555 French Linen Tablecloth, Placemats & Trivets

Get ready for your next dinner party with this brandnew French linen tablecloth with floral and bird motifs, 55 inches x 71 inches. Accompanied by 6 coordinating placemats, and 3 trivets for your hot dishes to rest on. Offered by Jamie & Keelan Evanini. Valued at \$85.

#### 556 Beautiful UU Chalice Stained Glass Panel

Pat Braender designed and hand made this beautiful UU chalice stained glass circular panel. In the center is a flaming chalice set in a clear background. The rainbow outer circle, symbolizing the inclusivity of our LGBTQ+ community, is colored cathedral glass. When placed in a sunlit window, the colors are beautifully projected into a room. The piece is approximately 11 inches in diameter with a finished edge. Chain for hanging is included. Valued at \$250. Minimum bid \$150.

#### **557 Trenton Outing Gift Basket**

Enjoy discovering some of the restaurants and attractions in T enton. Basket includes Trenton-area items and girk cards for the whole family. Offered by Marianae Alt and valued at \$100.

#### 58 X Taste of France Gift Basket

Delight your eyes and make your mouth water as you enjoy this collection of images and flavors of France. Offered by Marianne Alt, this basket includes hangable French prints and items or gift cards from local French establishments. Having lived in France for several years, you can trust Marianne's choices! Valued at \$75.

#### 559 Acoustic Amp & Accessories

Let the music play on! Nancy Neff, talented and versatile musician, offers this acoustic amp with accessories all in like-new condition for any aspiring or accomplished musician. Set includes a Marshall AS50D Amp 50-watt 2 inch x 8 inch 2-channel Acoustic Combo in brown, an amp cover, and a combo amp carrying case/stand. Value of this 3-piece set is \$569.

#### 560 Samsonite 20 inch Carry On Luggage

Joe Schenk offers this brand new 20 inch black Samsonite soft side carry on bag with 4 spinner wheels valued at \$75.

### **600s: Competitive Bid • Services**

#### 600 Rehoboth Beach House Aug 12-19

Get together with family or friends to enjoy a fabulous week in this large, two-story, historic home in Rehoboth Beach, DE. House is available for one week from August 12 to August 19, 2024, Monday to Monday. Sleeps up to 11 people in 5 bedrooms with a variety of beds including 3 queens and 5 singles. House has offstreet parking, modern kitchen, outdoor shower, large front porch, screened-in back porch, A/C and 4-1/2 bathrooms. Close to many restaurants, parks, playhouse, arcades, stores, water parks, golf courses and much, much more. And don't forget the beach and boardwalk, 1/2 block away! Linens and towels are provided as well as some beach chairs. No pets and no smoking. A perfect opportunity for multiple families to share the cost and share the fun! Offered by Jamie, David, and Jackie Thomas in memory of Rita Thomas. Value of a week at this outstanding home is \$6000 with a minimum bid of \$3000. One winner for one week. Cost and week may be shared with others. 1 highest bidder wins.

#### 601 A Fresh New You!

Donna Miller offers services at her salon in Ewing, NJ to give you a fresh new style! Included are hair color, haircut and style, restorative conditioning treatment, manicure (regular or gel) and pedicure. Valued a \$170, minimum bid \$100.

#### 602 Be Your Own Family Historian #

Ever wonder where you came from, how to ten the story of your people to your family? Let Parker Cohen, an experienced historian, work with you to find the stories, organize the photos and pull out the interesting things from the pile; then wonder no more! Virtual or face-to-face consultation by mutual arrangement on how to get started saving your family treasures and stories for yourself and future generations. Could be priceless info! Valued at \$80; minimum bid \$45.

#### 603 Be Your Own Family Historian #2

Ever wonder where you came from, how to tell the story of your people to your family? Let Parker Cohen, an experienced historian, work with you to find the stories, organize the photos and pull out the interesting things from the pile; then wonder no more! Virtual or face-to-face consultation by mutual arrangement on how to get started saving your family treasures and stories for yourself and future generations. Could be priceless info! Valued at \$80; minimum bid \$45.

#### 604 Knitting Lessons #1

Knitting is a productive, creative, and relaxing craft that can be done anywhere. Learn a new crafting skill from Parker Cohen, an experienced and patient teacher. Two lessons for one person to get you going and lifelong consultation afterward, Parker offers either virtual or in-person lessons. She knows what she is doing and is happy to share her skills and pointers so you too can find the Zen in knitting. Valued at \$50; minimum bid \$30. Dates: TBD by mutual agreement.

#### 605 Knitting Lessons #2

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#### O Pignist for a Special Event

If you have an event you are planning for friends and/or family, and want to add special atmosphere, consider having your own live pianist! Christa Olson, talented Crossings Chorale member and pianist, is offering to select music with you and perform for your event. She will rehearse with you as needed; you just provide the piano! Date is by mutual arrangement. Valued at \$150; minimum bid \$100.

#### 607 Dinner and NJ Symphony in Princeton

Enjoy dinner in Princeton followed by a NJ Symphony concert hosted by Connie and Lee Schofer. The orchestra performs five concerts at Richardson Hall on the Princeton University campus with dates from November 2024 to June 2025. Tickets and dinner for 2 valued at \$150; minimum bid \$100. Date: TBD by mutual agreement during the 2024-2025 season. 1 winner.

#### 608 Pocono Escape

Escape to the Poconos for a night or more — beautiful all year round! Settlers Hospitality is offering one weeknight stay at the lovely arts & crafts style Settlers Inn in Hawley, PA, complete with breakfast! Use the additional \$250 gift card for another night's lodging, for dinner at one of their wonderful restaurants, or purchases at their gift shop, The Potting Shed. Offered by Settlers Hospitality, Jayme Trott and Bud Johnson. Date to be chosen by winner — not valid during July,

August, or holiday periods. Gift card valid anytime. Valued at \$500; minimum bid \$350.

#### 609 Here Comes Santa Claus ... and Mrs. C too

Surprise the children or grandkids! Arrange to have Santa and Mrs. Claus visit your home or holiday party to make a special event more memorable. Roger and Lynda Shapiro will help you pick a mutually convenient time for Santa and Mrs. Claus to visit between Thanksgiving and December 23, 2024. They will work out specifics for your event, but generally plan on an hour at your party -- plenty of time for lap sitting, list giving, cookie eating and, of course, those priceless photos. This event is limited to locations within 20 miles of UUCWC, and you must have room for the reindeer to land. Offered by Lynda and Roger Shapiro. Valued at \$200; minimum bid \$150.

#### 610 Original Choir Arrangement

Have you always wanted to suggest a song for Erin to arrange for the choir? Well, now you can! One winner will get to suggest a song that our very talented Music Ministry Director, Dr. Erin Busch, will arrange for the SATB (soprano, alto, tenor, base) choir and will perform during the 2024-2025 church year. You'll also receive a PDF copy of the arrangement and a video recording of the performance. Valued at \$200; minimum bid \$75.

#### 611 Philadelphia Orchestra Concert

Attend a world-class symphony orchestra concer in beautiful Kimmel Center with Barbara and Scott Dew. This pair of tickets to a concert by The Philadaph a Orchestra is valued at \$150; minimum bid \$90. Concert and date to be selected by mutual agreement. Expires April 30, 2025. 1 winner.

#### 612 Handyman Services by Denny

Denny Rodgers is a very handy man! He does minor electrical work (outlets, switches, ceiling fans, lamp repair, etc.), minor plumbing repairs, picture hanging, small wall patching, lawn mowing and yard work, just to list some of the tasks he will tackle. Denny is offering 3 hours of his handyman services to one winner. If you are not sure if your project(s) is appropriate, please check with Denny before bidding. Valued at \$175; minimum bid \$150.

#### 613 Let Denny Bake For You

Denny Rodgers loves to bake. Have you tasted his shortbread? He will bake 6 desserts for you throughout the year. He'll supply a list of all the options — you can choose from pound cakes, pies, tortes, and a wide variety of cookies. Please give him 2 weeks notice for each order. Valued at \$175; minimum bid \$150.

#### 614 Holiday Cookie Assortment by Mike

Take the hassle out of the holiday dessert decisions! The Muccioli family will turn on the ovens to provide 6 dozen of their family's favorite homemade holiday cookies to one winner. This fancy selection will include Holiday Biscotti, Pignoli, Viennese Cookies, Macaroons, White Chocolate Meltaways, and Hazelnut Crescents. Delivery will be arranged just prior to the December holidays. Valued at \$90; minimum bid \$55.

#### 615 Neurodiversity at Home, School, or Work Consultation

Do you or a family member have ADHD, ADD, learning differences, sensory sensitivities, ARFID or mental health challenges? Would you value discussing, with a professional, your needs for school accommodations, career or college planning, or thinking out loud related to life as a neurodiverse individual or family member? This one-hour meeting with Belinda Seiger, a licensed therapist and life coach for the neurodivergent community, will allow you the space to discuss what's on your mind. Valued at \$250; minimum bid \$75.

# 616 Sockton Airbnb River Retreat

Patricia Makes and Stuart Freedenfeld offer this Airbnb Liv r Ketreat" for 2 weekend nights or 3 mid-week nights for you to enjoy on the Delaware River in Stockon, NJ. This lovely ground-floor apartment provides you with a beautiful view of the scenic Delaware River. It has a capacity of 4 people maximum, with 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom. There is a firepit, kitchen, gas grill, microwave, toaster, burner, but no stove. A small dog or cat is acceptable. Valued at \$400 -\$500 depending on number of days. 1 highest bidder wins.

#### 617 Homemade Soda Bread

Win a delicious soda bread that can be enjoyed as part of a meal or with a cup of coffee or tea. Baked by Andy Damato. Pick up at the Damatos' home in Titusville, NJ or at church. Valued at \$20; minimum bid \$10.

#### 618 Rolling Hills CSA Membership

Enjoy fresh organic produce through this market-style CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) membership for the 2024 season for the certified organic Rolling Hills Farm. This works as a debit system with \$275 in your account allowing your choice of everything available at the farm's Wrightstown Farmers' Market (outdoor) booth on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, May — October. Winner can upgrade to a higher membership level with a discounted purchase through Rolling Hills Farm. Offered by Al Johnson and Bunny Aicher. Value is \$275. Minimum bid of \$100.

#### 619 NJ Symphony Concert for 2 June 7

Frank and Melo Holstein are offering 2 tickets to the NJ Symphony concert on Friday, June 7, 2024 at 8:00 pm at Richardson Auditorium, Princeton. The title of the concert is "Daniel Trifonov Plays Gershwin." 1 highest bidder wins.

#### 620 Choose Your Cheesy Vegan Pasta Dish

Heather Edwards will create a fully vegan pasta dish of your choice — choose from veggie lasagna, stuffed shells, macaroni and cheese, or fettuccine Alfredo. With at least a week's notice, they will prepare and deliver your dish — which can also be gluten free on request. Valued at \$30.

#### 621 Breads by the Season

Good grains, Charlie Brown! Each season (4) you will receive a fresh, homemade loaf of bread of your choice, baked by Barbara Drew. Choices include a loaf of whole wheat, crusty country bread, sourdough or a dozen rolls such as pumpkin or hot cross buns, or specify another type. Give a swirled nut bread a whirl for a brunch. Homemade crackers with "everything bagel" seasoning is also an option for a party you are hosting! Please provide a minimum of 2 weeks' notice. Not available within 2 weeks of Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Valued at \$60. 1 winner of 4 breads. Dates: TBD.

#### 622 Simply Fit One-Month Membership

If you've been wanting to move more, give this one-month membership a try. Simply Fit, located in the Schafer Sports Center, Ewing, NJ (4.7 miles from UUCWC) offers a variety of group exercise classes plus free weights, cardio equipment and a strength circuit. The heated pool with reserved lap lanes is ideal for swimming/walking and aqua fittees classes. Why not get moving and feel good in a fax, calling community of people. All fitness levels welcone of morel by

Susan Colket, who joined Simply Fit in 2021 and feels so much better because of it. Valued at \$70. Expires April 30, 2025.

#### 623 10 Yoga Classes

Slow Flow and Let Go is a class designed for all levels with a focus on de-stressing through breathing and movement. Offered by instructor Zora Sabrina, this package of 10 75-min classes is offered Wednesday mornings, 10:00 -11:15 am, at the beautiful Orchard Hill Center in Skillman, NJ. Before or after your class, walk the classical, 7-circuit labyrinth on the center grounds. Valued at \$200.

#### 624 Reiki Session with Sara

Reiki is a holistic energy modality which originated in Japan. The session will be approximately one hour or so at Sara del Castillo's home, by appointment only. Experience relaxation, fully clothed, on a comfortable massage table. A balance of your energy may happen, providing you with the feeling of peace, harmony and homeostasis throughout your emotional and physical body. This is sometimes referred to as "balancing your chakras" (energy wheels). Often Sara will get intuitive insights during your session which will be provided to you afterwards. \$100+ value; \$75 minimum bid.

#### 625 Tar t Reading by Sara

For approximately one hour, Sara del Castillo will offer you a sights into your life using the tarot as a guide. What this Is (or can be): interesting, insightful and can offer hope and guidance for what you are going through or aspirations ahead. Clients often finds this not only helpful and hopeful, but also enjoyable. What this is NOT: fortune telling, spell crafting, etc! By appointment only at Sara's home (will consider coming to your home if within 15 miles of UUCWC). \$100+ value; \$75 minimum bid. 1 highest bidder wins.

# **700s:** Competitive Bid • Gift Cards — Food

#### 700 Harvest Grill and Wine Bar Gift Card \$75

Harvest Grill offers seasonal menus based on "farm to table" dining. This popular dining experience includes outdoor patio dining as well, with several locations including Newtown, PA and Moorestown, NJ. Offered by Scott and Barbara Drew.

#### 701 Mikonos Restaurant Gift Card \$75

Want to take a visit to Greece without the travel? Mikonos Restaurant is located on Scotch Road in Ewing, NJ. Everything from gyros to moussaka to dolmades to souvlaka to baklava and more! BYOB. Offered by Bonnie and Bernie Ruekgauer.

#### 702 Grey Stone Gift Card \$150

The Grey Stone Fine Food and Spirits offers a modern twist on classic comfort foods in Washington Crossing, PA, and features a seasonally changing menu, craft beer options, draft wines, sangria and cocktails in a newly renovated space that dates back to 1707. Experience everything from happy hour to live music, a warm and welcoming bar and lounge, and an expansive outdoor dining and bar area. Offered by Grey Stone and Jayme Trott and Bud Johnson.

#### 703 Colonial Farms Gift Card \$50 #1

Colonial Farms has excellent salads, sandwiches, soups, entrees to go and delicious baked goods along with catering services and a convenience store for pantry staples. Located at 1108 Taylorsville Rd., Washington Crossing, PA. Stop there on your way back from UUCWC! Donated by Colonial Farms.

#### 704 Colonial Farms Gift Card \$50 #2

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#### 705 It's Nutts Gift Card \$75 #1

It's Nutts in Titusville, NJ is known for its tomato pies, fried chicken, and a diverse menu with specials. No wonder it's a favorite of many UUCWCers for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Enjoy ice cream after a bike ride or walk along the canal, too! Offered by Ellen Cottone.

#### 706 It's Nutts Gift Card \$75 #2

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#### 707 Boro Market & Restaurant Gift Card \$100

Explore this great restaurant/wine bar/market in Pennington, NJ! Meet for drinks, try their nice cocktail creations, have dinner, or pick up items from the market to eat at home. Offered by Jamie & Keelan Evanini.

#### 708 Purple Leaf Gift Card \$50

Enjoy delicious Chinese and Japanese cuisine at Purple Leaf, located between Yardley and Newtown, PA. From traditional Chinese entrees to dim sum, excellent sushi to noodle soups, there is something for everyone. Susan Irgang, who donated this gift card, partial to their shrimp dumpling soup, made with paper-thin wrappers!

#### 709 Washington Crossing Inn Gift ( \$75 #1

Enjoy a delicious meal at this beautiful colorial inn located at 1295 General Washington Memorial Blvd., Washington Crossing, PA, right on the edge of historic Washington Crossing State Park. Dine alfresco in the spacious Garden Patio and see why the Inn was voted a Best in Region Finalist for Outdoor Dining in 2023. Or eat indoors in one of several lovely dining rooms. Banquet facilities for indoor and outdoor also available! Donated by Washington Crossing Inn.

#### 710 Washington Crossing Inn Gift Card \$75 #2

Enjoy a delicious meal at this beautiful colonial inn located at 1295 General Washington Memorial Blvd., Washington Crossing, PA, right on the edge of historic Washington Crossing State Park. Dine alfresco in the spacious Garden Patio and see why the Inn was voted a Best in Region Finalist for Outdoor Dining in 2023. Or eat indoors in one of several lovely dining rooms. Banquet facilities for indoor and outdoor also available! Offered by Kathie Chaikin & John Fowler.

#### 711 Cattani's Gift Card \$100

Enjoy delicious Italian foods prepared by Cattani's Catering & Kitchen on Parkway Ave in Ewing, NJ. Offered by a Women's Spirituality Group. Creative and delicious versions of Italian menu items must be tried to be appreciated.

#### 712 Villa Francesco's \$75 Gift Card #1

Classic Italian fare, the old-fashioned way, can be found at Villa Francesco's, conveniently located at the Shoppes at Pennington, NJ. With a wonderful selection of Italian specialties (delicious arancini!), Villa Francesco's is a nice comfortable place to enjoy a little bit of Italy. Offered by Mary and Bodo Baltycki.

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Discover the of Lambertville's newest dining destination. The Hawke, a casual steakhouse perfect for celbrating a special occasion, dining on date night, or grabbing dinner and drinks after work. The Hawke features American fare alongside an extensive craft beer selection, fun cocktails, and wines by the glass. Offered by Mary & Bodo Baltycki.

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#### 716 Pennington Bagel Gift Card \$25 #1

Sandee Steinberg offers this \$25 gift card to Pennington Bagel. Pick up some bagels, a sandwich/hoagie or soup and salad before or after a Sunday service at UUCWC! Located at the corner of Route 31, North and West Delaware Avenues in Pennington, NJ.

#### 717 Pennington Bagel Gift Card \$25 #2

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#### 718 Blooming Grove Inn Gift Card \$100

The restaurant, located on West Upper Ferry Road in Ewing, NJ, is on land first purchased in 1741 known as Blooming Grove Farm. The current owner has a garden outside that provides for garden-to-table dining in keeping with the land's farming roots. You can have lunch or dinner in a cozy pre-Civil War dining room or outside on one of 3 terraces. Try the consistently excellent food and atmosphere, and check out the bar that boasts about 60 different kinds of scotch, bourbon, and whiskey. Offered by Lori Rahn.

#### 719 Tessara Gift Card \$75

This Hamilton, NJ neighborhood favorite specializes in fresh, hand-prepared fine Italian and American cuisine. Family-owned and -run since 2004, Tessara puts an emphasis on fresh, consistently high quality meals that that are sure to please your palate. Offered by Peter Boughton.

#### 720 Door Dash Gift Card \$50

Too busy or tired to go out? Got a hungry family or want to give yourself a break from cooking? This \$50 DoorDash gift card can bring good food to your door or to pick up on your way home. Leave the cooking to someone else and enjoy a well-deserved break, or give as a gift to someone you know who'd love a treat. Offered by Susan Irgang and purchased through RaiseRight, with the business donating a percentage of the value, this gift card benefits UUCWC twice!

#### 721 Blue Point Grill Gift Card \$100

Steve and Sue Saddlemire invite you to entor a star rated meal at the Blue Point Grill, Newtown's newest restaurant. Food is delicious, atmosphere is great and what better way to spend a night out!

#### 722 Non Solo Pasta Gift Card \$100

If you haven't already explored the menu at Non Solo Pasta in Morrisville, you're missing a great local Italian restaurant. Or maybe you're a regular diner there and have their number on speed dial. No matter how new or familiar this restaurant is to you, enjoy a lovely lunch or dinner with family and friends using this convenient gift card. Offered by Maria Baratta.

#### 723 Charcoal BYOB Gift Card \$75

Dine out at Charcoal BYOB, a favorite for many in the Yardley, PA area. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, this Yardley gem with a view of the Delaware River offers a creative menu, sourced locally when possible. Donated by Judith MacLaury and Michael Wilson.

#### 724 Blue Bears Special Meals Gift Card \$75

Judith MacLaury and Mike Wilson offer this gift card for you to enjoy a delicious and meaningful meal at The Blue Bears Special Meals at 301 N. Harrison St., Princeton, NJ. The Blue Bears Special Meals restaurant creates the conditions enabling individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to be recognized as productive and respected members of the society at large, and provide the community it serves with peerless "joie de vivre." Support the community while supporting UUCWC!

#### 725 Metro Grill Gift Card \$100 #1

Get out and enjoy a relaxing meal with this gift certificate for \$100 at the Metro Grill, 172 Scotch Road (at Upper Ferry Road), Ewing, NJ. Metro Grill has a lunch and dinner menu with great Italian and American cuisine and seafood. Reservations are recommended at this favorite local restaurant. Donated by Melo and Frank Holstein.

#### 726 Metro Grill Gift Card \$100 #2

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#### 727 Wild Ginger III Gift Card \$75

Offered by Bonnie & Bernie Ruekgauer, enjoy this \$75 gift card for Wild Ginger III, located in the Logan Square Shopping Center in New Hope PA. The menu is primarily Thai food with other Asian and vegetarian options. Lunch is by takeout only M-F; dine-in dinner is daily.

#### 728 The Gingered Peach Gift Card \$20 #1

The Gingered Peach in Lawrence, NJ is a Black- and female-owned bakery, offering handcrafted (very delicious!) baked goods prepared in small batches from scratch using only the finest ingredients. They also have the best cinnamon buns you have ever tasted in your life! Offered by Barbara Jensen.

#### 729 The Gingered Peach Gift Card \$20 #2

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#### 730 Liv & Charlie's Real Food Gift Card \$50

Enjoy breakfast, lunch and daily specials at this quaint, off-the-beaten-path Lambertville, NJ restaurant. Family-owned and -operated since 2018, this cozy neighborhood gem prepares the freshest food, made to order with love. Offered by Scott Cullen.

# 731 Francisco's Gift Card \$100 + Wine Gift Card \$25

Enjoy a fabulous dinner at Francisco's on the River, a BYOB on River Road in Washington Crossing, PA. But you don't need to bring your own libation, since this offer comes with a \$25 wine gift card to complete the dining experience. By bidding on this item, you affirm that you are 21 years of age or older. Offered by Priscilla Gaver & Lucy Nugent and valued at \$125.

#### 732 Árdana Gift Card \$100

Experience a taste of the Mediterranean with cuisine inspired by the village of Árdana in Cyprus as well as influences from across the region, including Italy and the Middle East. Featuring a mezze style of dining where plates are meant to be shared, Árdana offers a variety of dishes created with healthy and local ingredients, with locations in both Newtown and Warrington, PA. Offered by Marcia Wittmann and Ron Iannacone.

#### 733 Terhune Orchards Gift Card \$100

Terhune Orchards is a family-owned and -operated farm where you'll find a farm store, winery, pictyour-own, farm animals and favorites such as citer donuts, fresh-pressed cider and, of course Las y fresh produce. It's also a popular destination beated on 250 magnificent acres of land in Princeton, NJ,

that attracts thousands of visitors from near and far for apple picking, pumpkin picking, live music and wine tastings, family-fun activities, educational programs and more. Offered by the UUCWC Food Ministry team.

#### 734 Bowman's Tavern Gift Card \$100

Bowman's Tavern, at 1600 River Road in New Hope, PA is open daily for lunch and dinner. This popular restaurant offers a varied menu that changes seasonally, utilizing the best ingredients and locally sourced products from farms, dairy producers and distillers. Enjoy soups, salads, sandwiches, great appetizers and wonderful entrees, and live musical entertainment daily! Offered by Margaret DeAngelis. Value \$100.

#### 735 Continental Gift Card \$50

Come enjoy a burger and one of the 12 great draft beers at the local downtown tavern in Yardley, PA. Afterwards take a walk along the Delaware Canal Towpath just steps from the tavern. The Continental offers delicious tavern fare in a casual atmosphere. Outside seating is also available. "Everyone is family at The Continental." Donated by the Continental Tavern.

# **800s:** Competitive Bid • Gift Cards — Services

#### 800 Something for Everyone; Gift Card Sampler \$125

Talk about a win-win-win situation! Be the lucky winner of this collection of gift cards which includes clothing, hardware/home supplies, home accessories, movies, food — something for everyone! All cards were purchased through the RaiseRight program which benefits UUCWC with the businesses donating a percentage of the value. All cards are for your use at full value: GAP \$25, Lowe's \$20, Macy's \$25, Panera \$15, Regal \$25, Subway \$15. Offered by Christine Piatek and Barbara Drew. Valued at \$125.

#### 801 Prancing Peacock Yoga Gift Card \$54

The Prancing Peacock Yoga & Wellness Center is an award-winning, innovative community space that encourages emotional and physical wellness. They strive to create a dynamic lifestyle of yoga and nutrition education, facilitated by professional instructors and cultivated by community members interested in sharing, growing, and expanding together. A family-owned-and-operated yoga studio, the center sits on 12 bucolic acres located at 524 Stony Hill Rd, Yardley, PA. Several UUCWC members and friends have been long-time practitioners of yoga at Prancing Peacock. Donated by Prancing Peacock, the \$54 gift card is for 1 month of unlimited yoga (in person or virtually) for a new student.

#### 802 Newtown Bookshop Gift Card \$50

The First Wednesday Book Club offers a \$50 Gift Card from Newtown Bookshop (PA). The bookshop's slogan could be yours as well: Eat, Read, Sleep! Shop for books, cards and gifts at this independent book shop. Custom book orders are welcome and a discount is given.

#### 803 Firehouse Cycles Gift Card \$100

Time for your Spring Tune-Up! Your tune-up includes front and rear brakes adjustment; front & rear derailleurs adjustment; true front and rear wheels; check and adjust headset; bottom bracket; front and rear hubs; lube chain; brake and derailleur pivots and cables; and check air in the tires. This hometown bicycle shop, which recently moved to 38 S. Bell Ave. in Yardley, PA, repairs bikes and also sells new bikes and accessories. All work is guaranteed. Gift card is donated by Firehouse Cycles.

#### 804 Music Mountain Theatre Gift Card \$100

Providing big-hearted theatre to beautiful Lambertville, NJ, the Music Mountain Theatre offers 15 mainstage shows per year at this local treasure. Choose from popular shows such as "Anything Goes" and "Murder on the Orient Express" to name just a few — the curtain is always going up here and you must experience it! Offered by Bonnie & Bernie Ruekgauer.

#### 805 Airbnb Gift Card \$100

Start planning that weekend getaway with a \$100 Airbnb gift card. Better yet, make it a fun saitho by gift for someone you love. Offered by Maria Barata.

#### 806 Seasons Garden Center Gift Card \$75

Donated by Seasons Garden Center, located on River Road in Washington Crossing, PA. Beautiful annuals, perennials, ornamentals, containers, trees, shrubs, gifts and professional landscape services are available. Come see their wonderful selection of spring plants now.

#### 807 Newtown Theatre Gift Card \$50

Steve and Sue Saddlemire invite you to enjoy a show at the Newtown Theatre, one of the area's hidden treasures. Enjoy a live production by local talent in this beautifully renovated theater. Choose from music, comedy, film and more; you won't be disappointed!

#### 808 Wayfair Gift Card \$100

Explore your personal style! Whether you're looking for something new for your home or maybe you need a gift card to bring to a wedding or baby shower, consider gifting yourself or someone else with a \$100 gift card for Wayfair. You'll find all types of home decorating goods and ideas on Wayfair's website. Plus delivery to your doorstep makes it so easy! Offered by Maria Baratta.

# 809 Spotify Gift Card \$30 & Customized Podcast List

Here's your chance to try Spotify Premium (no ads!). Plus, Maria Baratta will recommend a a customized list of podcasts to entertain and delight you, depending on your personal interests. Sit back, listen and learn! Gift card and list valued at \$45.

#### 810 American Grammar Bookshop Gift Card \$50 #1

Come experience a "thoughtfully-fashioned book lover's dream" while supporting local BIPOC artists, small-business owners and educators. In this Philadelphia bookshop on Front Street, carefully curated literary offerings focus on themes of social justice, equity and environmentalism. Authors identifying with historically marginalized groups are promine by and proudly featured. Enjoy a delicious has by and coffee or tea while experiencing a poetry reading, art installation or any of the upcoming community events in a beautiful, earth-toned space that is sure to please. Offered by Jenny & Rocco Ciccolini.

#### 811 American Grammar Bookshop Gift Card \$50 #2

Come experience a "thoughtfully-fashioned book lover's dream" while supporting local BIPOC artists, small-business owners and educators. In this Philadelphia bookshop on Front Street, carefully curated literary offerings focus on themes of social justice, equity and environmentalism. Authors identifying with historically marginalized groups are prominently and proudly featured. Enjoy a delicious pastry and coffee or tea while experiencing a poetry reading, art installation or any of the upcoming community events in a beautiful, earth-toned space, that is sure to please. Offered by Jenny & Rocco Ciccolini.

# 812 Newtown Book & Record Exchange Gift Card \$60

The Newtown Book & Record Exchange has been serving the community since 1981 and hopes to continue as a State Street Newtown, PA staple for many more years to come! They have a selection of over 40,000 used books and new & used vinyl, CDs, and cassettes. Offered by Marianne Alt.

# EVENTS CALENDAR — to help you plan your bids!

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	MAY 2024			OCTOBER 2024	
Sat., May 18	Feed the Baby Goats!	#233	Thurs., Oct. 3 Fri., Oct. 4 Sat., Oct. 5	Bunco	#226 #206 #113
	JUNE 2024		Sat., Oct. 5		#239
Sat., June 1 Sun., June 2 Wed., June 5 Fri., June 7 Fri., June 7	Rock 'n' Picnic Towpath Bike Ride & Lunch The Blue Bottle Cafe NJ Symphony Concert for 2 June 7 Poetry of Classic Rock Dinner Lambertville Gardens & Tea June 8 June 8 June 9 Card Making with Linda Chic Flix #1 June 15 June 15 Brick Farm Tavern June 22 Cuban Dinner June 22 Lunch at King George Inn	#126 #221 #237 #120 #619 #200 #205 #123 #414 #218 #211 #102 #108 #119 #229 #122 #231	Sat., Oct. 12 Sun., Oct. 13 Wed., Oct. 16 Sat., Oct. 19 Sun., Oct. 20	Games & Lunch at Continental Wine Tasting on the Deck	#109
Fri., June 7				NOVEMBER 2024	
Sat., June 8 Sun., June 9 Fri., June 14 Sat., June 15 Sat., June 15 Sat., June 22 Sat., June 22 Sat., June 22 Fri., June 28			Fri., Nov. 1 Sat., Nov. 2 Sat., Nov. 2 Fri., Nov. 8 Wed., Nov. 13 Thurs., Nov. 14 Fri., Nov. 15 Sun., Nov. 17 Fri., Nov. 22 Syn., Nov. 1BD	Chic Flix #3 Brunch Market Roost German Dinner Snax & "Shorts" Film, Lunch & Tour/Continental Morgan Library & Museum Haiku Cat Café Texas Hold 'Em Poker Movie & a Meal	#220 #118 #125 #213 I #305 #210 #235 #212 #303 #230
Sun., June 30 TBD	"Origin" Screening, Supper Tete a Tete with Ruth	#236		DECEMBER 2024	
	JLY/AUGUST 2024	#222	Sun., Dec. 8 Fri., Dec. 13	Holiday Sing-Along Snax & Holiday Movie	#301 #214
Fri., July 19 Sat., July 27 Sat., July 27 Sat., Aug. 10 Mon., Aug. 12–19 Sat., Aug. 24 Sun., Aug. 25	Chic Flix #2 Garden to Table #1 Zambia Travelogue/Dinner Garden to Table #2 Rehoboth House Week Spanish Paella Brunch at Yardley Inn	#219 #116 #101 #117 #600 #103 #128	Sat., Jan. 11 Sat., Jan 18 Sat., Jan 25	JANUARY 2025 Steak Dinner Charades! Sicilian Dinner	#115 #207 #111
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	SEPTEMBER 2024	#202	Sat., Feb. 1 Sat., Feb. 1	Ironic Chef Games with Phyllis	#104 #216
Sun., Sept. 8 Fri., Sept. 13	Story Circle, Sunset & Dessert Francisco's on the River Dinner	#202		MARCH 2025	
Sat., Sept. 14 Sat., Sept. 14 Sat., Sept. 21 Sat., Sept. 21 Sun., Sept. 22	Bowman's Experience Broadway Songs & Sing-Along London Broil & Shrimp Dinner Party Like a Pirate Marble Coasters DIY	#234 #238 #114 #201 #415	Sat., Mar. 1 Sun., Mar. 9 Sat., Mar. 15	Sacred Suds & Mythic Pizza Music & Poetry Casual Supper/Novel Reading	#300 #302 #232
Sun., Sept. 22	Fonthill & Mercer Tile & Picnic	#228		APRIL /MAY 2025	
Wed., Sept. 25 Sat., Sept. 28 Sat., Sept. 28 TBD	Taste of India & Hinduism Delicious Dosas Mizuki & Conversation Tete a Tete with Ruth #2	#215 #106 #112 #223	Sat., April 12 Fri., April 18 Fri., May 2	Night to Remember Dinner Seder Wildflower Walk & Picnic	#105 #110 #209

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It took teamwork to organize our auction! We extend our appreciation to our entire Auction Team, including all the contributors, bidders and buyers, for it is your participation that enables it happen and makes it all worthwhile.

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Mini Hummus Phyllo Cups
Rainbow Veggie Pinwheels
Smoked Salmon Pinwheels
Antipasto Kabobs
Pink Brie with Hot Pepper Jelly
Caprese Salad Skewers
Crudites and Fruit
Mini Pretzel Bites
Chips & Pita with Salsa, Hummus,
Guacamole, Spinach Artichoke Dip,
Crab & Avocado, Onion Dip
(Gluten Free, Vegetarian and Vegan

Beverages and Desserts!

Options Available)

6:00 pm at UUCWC \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door Childcare available

Poutique and a showcase of Items!

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And a Mini Live Auction!



# **Live Entertainment!**



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