



HOLMES CAMP & RETREAT CENTER
ANNUAL FALL FUNDRAISING EVENT

Auction Listing

OCTOBER 2, 2025
FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Art

1 Mosaic of Lakeside

Celebrate the charm of camp life and the beauty of handcrafted glass art with this colorful 12" x 19" framed mosaic of Denton Cabin, created by Lori Reilly—a local artist and Holmes Alum. The contrasting warm and cool tones highlight the vibrant sky and a cozy camp cabin. This expressive piece brings the beloved Lakeside scene to life in a bold and tactile way.



Donor: Lori Reilly

Value: \$250

Starting Bid \$75 / Incremental Bid: \$15

2 Agape in Autumn

This is a photograph of the cross outside of Charlotte's room in Agape on an Autumn day. The 10" x 13", ready-to-hang image is printed on Luster paper and is a fine art print. A soft Satin Laminate was applied on top of the paper and the resulting product was then wrapped on Gatorboard. For a striking effect a spacer was applied (Float Mounting Block) to the back of the ThinWrap, which allows the image to be hung and appear to float from the wall. For more of Claudia's images, please visit: fineartamerica.com/profiles/claudia-kuhn



Donor: Claudia Kuhn

Value: \$75

Starting Bid \$25 / Incremental Bid: \$15

3 Holmes, the Rock Watercolor

Relive those serene summer days by Westminster Lake with this beautiful watercolor, capturing one of the camp's most beloved landmarks—the iconic rock and tree at the waterfront. The shadows of the rock contrasting with the colorful leaves on the tree evoke feelings of peace and nostalgia for



simpler places and times. This framed 11" x 14" watercolor was created by local artist, Lillian Masters from the Riverdale Presbyterian Church.

Donor: Lillian Masters

Value: \$200

Starting Bid \$75 / **Incremental Bid:** \$15

4 Six Days of Creation Lino Print

This Lino print represents the first six days of Creation as related by Genesis 1. The only other pressing of this print hangs in the Pastoral Retreat at Holmes Camp and Conference center, where the room itself represents the seventh and final day of Creation when God rested. When hung in a room that is used for well-being and rest, it is meant to remind those in the space of the Divine command and invitation to Sabbath.



Donor: Rev. Katherine Pater

Value: \$150

Starting Bid \$75 / **Incremental Bid:** \$10

5 Water Lillies

8" x 10" Watercolor on Rice Paper | Matted and Framed to 12½" x 15½."

Bring serenity and natural elegance into your space with this delicate yet vibrant watercolor by Sharon Bogan, President of the Georgetown County, South Carolina Watercolor Society. This beautifully crafted piece captures the quiet beauty of pink water lilies floating on a tranquil pond.



Donor: Sharon Bogan

Value: \$200

Starting Bid \$75 / **Incremental Bid:** \$15



6 Cross Thru Charlotte's Room

Capture the quiet reverence and spiritual symbolism of Agape with "Cross Thru Charlotte's Room," an original photograph

by Malcolm Ritter. This meaningful image offers both artistic beauty and emotional resonance. This 8" x 10" image is printed on metal, is ready-to-hang, and is signed on the back by Malcolm Ritter.

Donor: Malcolm Ritter

Value: \$75

Starting Bid \$25 / **Incremental Bid:** \$15

7 Teton: Original Black and White Photograph by David Cockcroft

A striking tribute to the American West, this original black and white photograph by David Cockcroft captures the dramatic essence of the Teton Range with stunning clarity and artistry. The composition emphasizes the grandeur of the mountains.



Donor: Holmes Board Treasurer, Linda Burpee and Honoree, David Burpee

Value: Priceless!

Starting Bid \$60 / **Incremental Bid:** \$10

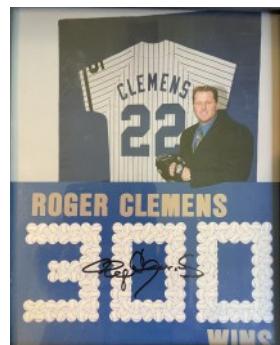
8 Roger Clemens Autographed Photo – Limited Edition Baseball Memorabilia

Celebrate a legendary moment in Major League Baseball history with this exclusive Roger Clemens autographed photo, commemorating his 300th career win—a milestone achieved by only a select few pitchers. Clemens is posing in front of his #22 Yankees jersey.

Donor: Holmes Board Treasurer, Linda Burpee and Honoree, David Burpee

Value: \$100

Starting Bid \$45 / **Incremental Bid:** \$10



Home & Fashion

9 One-of-a-Kind Copper Jewelry Collection

Artistry meets nature in this stunning handmade copper jewelry set. Created by artisan Sarah Burpee, a former Holmes family camper and staff member, this collection blends skillful wirework with earthy materials, making each piece a wearable work of art. The set includes an intricately woven copper cuff bracelet, woven copper earrings with hypoallergenic niobium ear hooks, and a wire wrapped copper necklace with dalmatian jasper and other found stones.



Donor: Sarah Burpee

Value: \$175

Starting Bid \$75 / **Incremental Bid:** \$15

10 Vintage Coach Bag Red Leather Crossbody/Shoulder Purse

Calling all vintage purse lovers! This stunning red vintage Coach bag (8" x 10") is a timeless piece that blends classic design, premium craftsmanship, and everyday functionality. Whether you're a collector or just someone who appreciates quality leather goods, this bag is a standout.



Donor: Holmes Board Member, Kathy and Fred Frost

Value: \$200

Starting Bid \$75 / **Incremental Bid:** \$15

11 Vintage Patricia Nash – Embossed Green Leather Wristlet

Christmas in October! Treat yourself (or someone special) to a timeless accessory that combines old-world craftsmanship with modern practicality. This vintage Patricia Nash wristlet is a beautifully preserved piece that makes a statement in both style and quality.



Donor: Holmes Board Member, Kathy and Fred Frost

Value: \$80

Starting Bid \$50 / Incremental Bid: \$10

12 Quilt Throw Blanket

Wrap yourself in comfort and color with this handmade bold red throw-sized quilt, crafted with care and artistic flair.

Measuring approximately 40 x 60 inches, it's the perfect size for snuggling on the couch, adding a splash of color to your favorite chair, or brightening up a guest room.

The Fifth Tuesday Quilting Society visits Holmes Camp and Retreat Center twice a year for week long sewing retreats and has been doing so for nearly 20 years!



Donor: Karen Carlson & Fifth Tuesday Quilters

Value: \$150

Starting Bid \$75 / Incremental Bid: \$15

Food & Wine

13 Napa Valley / Rutherford District Wine Gems

Freemark Abbey 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon

Enjoy deep tastes of black currant, blackberry, cedar, and tobacco. Smooth and balanced with soft tannins, ready to enjoy now. Bordeaux-type blend of 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot, 2% Malbec, 2% Petit Verdot, 1% Cabernet Franc.



ZD 2018 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

This 50th Anniversary Reserve is a big, structured, and complex Napa Valley Cabernet with ripe dark fruit flavors like blackberry, black cherry, cassis, and plum, complemented by notes of anise, sweet vanilla, and oak. It has a firm tannic structure, suggesting excellent aging potential, and offers a rich, concentrated, and powerfully long finish.

Donor: Holmes Board Chairman, Mark Hostetter & Alex Habib

Value: \$325

Starting Bid \$75 / Incremental Bid: \$50

14 Professional 11-Piece Knife Collection in Aluminum Case

ELEVATE YOUR KITCHEN PREP SKILLS WITH THIS 11 PIECE KNIFE COLLECTION!

Elevate your culinary skills with the Berghoff Profiline SG 11-piece Professional Knife Collection. Expertly crafted and housed in a durable aluminum attaché case, this set is designed for both convenience and performance. Each knife is securely held in place by a powerful internal magnetic strip, preventing shifting during transport.



Perfectly suited for weekend getaways, boating adventures, camping trips, or everyday kitchen use at home, this collection combines professional-grade quality with portability. Whether you're preparing meals on the go or elevating your home cooking, this knife set has you covered.

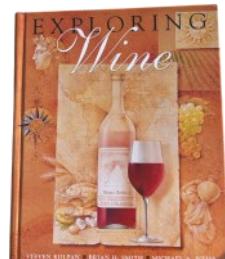
Donor: Mark Ainsworth

Value: \$250

Starting Bid \$75 / **Incremental Bid:** \$25

15 CIA Exploring Wine Cookbook: A Complete Guide to Wines of the World

More than just a cookbook, this guidebook is an immersive wine education resource developed by the Culinary Institute of America, one of the world's most esteemed culinary schools. The Culinary Institute of America's Complete Guide to Wines of the World takes readers on a journey from fundamental concepts to advanced wine knowledge.



Organized into clear, insightful sections, this book covers everything from key wine regions and grape varieties to expert tasting techniques, proper wine service, label reading, and food pairing strategies. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned enthusiast, this comprehensive guide will deepen your understanding and appreciation of wine, enhancing both your palate and your dining experience.

Donor: Mark Ainsworth

Value: \$30

Starting Bid \$15 / **Incremental Bid:** \$5

16 Kitchen Essentials

GOURMET OIL TO TRANSFORM YOUR EVERYDAY CULINARY CREATIONS!

At Benissimo, a name inspired by the Italian word for “very well” or “great,” our mission is to make cooking at home easy and delicious one bottle of gourmet oil at a time. Our journey began with a love for flavorful, fresh ingredients, and the belief that even the simplest dishes can shine when crafted with care. Today, we are proud to offer a diverse range of oils, from herb-infused creations that add bold, vibrant flavors to pure, high-quality oils that bring versatility and richness to any dish.



In this basket you will find 7 extraordinary, all-natural premium oils, guaranteed to ensure that every meal becomes a 5-star experience shared with the people you love.

- Balsamic Garlic Oil, 8.1 oz - infused with balsamic vinegar, basil, crushed red pepper, garlic, oregano, and thyme
- Italiano Oil, 8.1 oz - infused with sun dried tomatoes, thyme, oregano, basil, and de arbol peppers
- Mediterranean Garlic Oil, 8.1 oz - infused with thyme, garlic, oregano, and basil
- Roasted Garlic Oil, 8.1 oz - infused with rosemary, minced garlic, thyme, oregano, and pure garlic oil
- Avocado Oil 8.45 oz – rich in healthy fats and antioxidants such as oleic acids and vitamins A, D, E, and K. This high heat oil is perfect for sauteing, air-frying, roasting, baking and more.
- Toasted Sesame Seed Oil 8.45 oz - a natural flavoring oil that will bring an unforgettable rich flavor to your next dish, and is perfect for Asian dishes, poultry, and stir frying, and is a necessity in any kitchen.
- Spicy Sriracha Oil 8.45 oz – Infused with dried garlic, extra hot red pepper flakes, and natural sweet garlic and vinegar flavors to transform everyday dishes

Arranged by Friend of Holmes Debbie Eisser and donated by Hongar Farms Gourmet Foods. For more information, visit www.benissimooils.com/pages/about-benissimo

After you finish chopping those onions and garlic, ensure your hands are left odor free, soft and healthy, with natural KIRK'S Hydrating Hand Wash, in 2 natural fragrances. kirksssoap.com/our-products/#handsoap

Donor: Hongar Farms Gourmet Foods/ Vicky Neilson

Value: \$90

Starting Bid \$35 / **Incremental Bid:** \$10

17 Seasonal Sensations Gift Basket

The perfect holiday or hostess gift, this thoughtfully curated gift basket brings together a delicious and charming assortment of locally crafted goodies wrapped in warmth and care. The woven basket includes Hudson Valley wildflower honey and pure maple syrup; classic wild Maine blueberry jam; and Amish-style sweet dill pickles, black raspberry jelly, and hickory smoked

barbeque sauce from Lancaster County.

Donor: Brenda and Paul Verdesi

Value: \$85

Starting Bid \$35 / **Incremental Bid:** \$10



Experiences

18 Afternoon or Evening Sail - Port Jefferson

WITH TED MASTERS FOR 1-2 PEOPLE ON A 21 FT SAILBOAT

The individual or couple who wins this will accompany Holmes Camp Alum Ted Masters, an enthusiastic sailor, on a 2 hour afternoon or evening cruise (June-September 2026) aboard a 21 -foot 1966 Islander sailboat located in Port Jefferson Harbor. Refreshments will be served.



The Islander (a masthead, sloop rigged, monohull) is an early fiberglass constructed boat designed and built by Joseph McGlasson from 1965 to 1969. McGlasson built popular wooden boats in the mid-1950s and it is said that the planking seams that can be seen on the Islander's hull is a signature feature carried over from the mold used to construct the fiberglass version of this boat. Timing: June-September 2026

Donor: Ted Masters and Carol Castillo

Value: Priceless!

Starting Bid \$100 / Incremental Bid: \$50

19 NYC COLLECTION

NEW YORK CITY IMAGERY IN ALL FORMS!

For those who want to be surrounded by all things NYC with a special emphasis on the beauty of Central Park

- Seasons in Watercolor Tea Towel (Spring/Summer)
- Seeing Central Park: the Official Guide — Updated and Signed Edition
- NYC Transit Museum Umbrella
- New Yorker tote bag

PLUS A 1,000 piece jigsaw puzzle for the puzzle addicts amongst us with a visual that will take you from Uptown to Downtown and all around Manhattan

Donor: Holmes Board Member, Jane and Malcolm Ritter

Value: \$116

Starting Bid \$35 / Incremental Bid: \$25



20 National Parks & Conservation Gift Basket

Embark on a journey through America's breathtaking landscapes with the National Parks & Conservation Collection. This exclusive assortment is perfect for nature lovers and adventure seekers looking to explore or deepen their appreciation of the U.S. national parks.

Included is an annual pass granting unlimited visits to all national parks throughout 2025–2026 (valid until September 30, 2026). Alongside the pass, you'll receive a special collector's edition Passport to Your National Parks, plus a curated selection of books and games focused on nature, conservation, and the wonders of our national parks. Start or continue your travels with this inspiring collection that celebrates the beauty and preservation of America's natural heritage. Passes expire September 30, 2026

Donor: Kyle Branin

Value: \$390

Starting Bid \$150 / **Incremental Bid:** \$50



21 Disney Fans Rejoice! Magical Package Awaits

Get ready for the ultimate Disney experience with this incredible package designed to bring your dreams to life! Here's what you'll enjoy:

- 2 x 1-Park Passes with Park Hopper — Explore multiple parks in a single day for maximum magic!
- Mickey Stainless Steel Water Bottle with Cooler Holder — Stay hydrated in true Disney style.
- 95th Anniversary Plush Mickey (14") — Celebrate Mickey's milestone with this adorable keepsake.
- 2025 Disneyland Christmas Glass Ornament — Add a magical touch to your holiday décor.



Plus, carry it all in style with the Mickey Mouse Carryall! Measuring 11" H x 13" W, it features a reinforced gusseted bottom, snap flap closure, interior zip pocket, versatile handles, and a charming Mickey glove bag charm. Inside, find a fun Mickey print lining and an outer design inspired by Mickey's iconic shorts!

Important: Passes must be used by December 18, 2025, and are valid in U.S. Parks only.

Donor: Ken McGuire

Value: \$505

Starting Bid \$150 / **Incremental Bid:** \$75



22 Two Night Retreat at Holmes Camp & Retreat Center

Get away and relax in comfortable accommodations and a beautiful natural setting. The New Pastoral Retreat Studio located in the Agape Center includes a queen bed, private bath, refrigerator, stove, convection oven/microwave and A/C.

Meals may also be available from Holmes if the kitchen is open during your stay. Expires October 31, 2026. Must be booked at a mutually agreeable time.

Cannot be used during Holmes Retreat Programs.

Donor: Holmes Camp & Retreat Center

Value: \$400

Starting Bid \$125 / Incremental Bid: \$50

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Ben Verdesi
Brenda and Paul Verdesi

Notes



AUCTION RULES & CONDITIONS

- Bidding at the event begins at 5:30pm, Thursday, October 2, 2025.
- There are set minimum and incremental bids listed for each item. Bidders are expected to use the incremental bids or a greater amount when bidding.
- All Items are sold 'as is.'
- All bids are accepted on the good faith of payment at the end of the evening.
- If you will not be present at the end of the event, or have a bidding question, please contact Grace Buck at 845.878.6383 ext 1.
- There will be a 30 minute and a 10 minute warning of the close of the auction. Once bid sheets are pulled, the auction is considered closed.
- Carefully read item descriptions for any restrictions, black out dates or expirations dates.
- According to NYS Law Alcoholic beverages won during the silent auction, may not be opened or consumed on the event premises.
- Out of respect for our generous item donors, there will be no exchanges or returns of auction items.
- Any arrangements or scheduling for items must be made by December 31, 2025, unless noted otherwise.
- All arrangements for weekend travel, tickets or hospitalities are at the convenience of the donor. Restrictions may apply.
- In the event of a dispute, the event committee has sole and final discretion to determine the winning bidder.
- Payment by Cash, Credit Card, Venmo or Check made out to PRESBYTERIAN CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION, INC are accepted.
- Per federal tax law, the portion of your winning auction bid exceeding the fair market value of the item is the only tax deductible part of your contribution to the camp. Please consult your tax advisor with questions.



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