

## UUSGS Auction Items 2025

Last Updated 10/11/25

*This is a work in progress. Pending items may not be added yet.*

*Some items will be in the silent auction, while others may move to a live auction.*

### Gift Cards/Passes

Item #	Item	Item Details
101	<b>\$50 Gift Card to Posto or Lola's restaurants (Longmeadow)</b>	Donated by Simon and Maria Brighenti
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103	<b>4 Passes to Sturbridge Village</b>	Donated by Lee Hamburg
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105	<b>\$25 Gift Card–99 Restaurant</b>	Donated by John Benoit
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108	<b>\$25 Gift Card–Stop &amp; Shop</b>	Donated by John Benoit
109	<b>\$25 Gift Card–Cracker Barrel</b>	Donated by John Benoit
110	<b>\$100 Gift Card–Delaney House</b>	Donated by John Benoit
	<b>Gift Passes–Majestic Theater</b>	More details coming soon
	<b>OHP Tickets</b>	More details coming soon
	<b>Unity House Players–VIP Ticket Package</b>	More details coming soon

## Services

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200	<b>Stargazing and Stories with Professor Meg</b>	1 hour of stargazing, on a clear night convenient to both parties. Smith College astronomy instructor and award-winning author Meg Thacher will bring her cool green laser pointer to show you the constellations and tell you their stories from multiple cultures. Also included: 1 copy of Sky Gazing or 2 copies of Cool, Cosmic Tattoos. Kid-friendly! Bring your binoculars! Up to 50 people. You can come to Smith College or suggest your favorite sky-gazing locale.
201	<b>Airport Transportation</b>	Bonnie Cox will provide roundtrip transportation to Bradley International Airport
202	<b>Tarot Readings w/ Alexanders KCF Miles</b>	6 spots available. More details coming soon!
203	<b>Denise's Famous Soup</b>	Denise will make the recipient 1 quart of soup (of their choice each month for 6 months (Nov-April).
204	<b>A Cake for a Special Occasion</b> (donated/ made by Naomi Olivero)	A custom 3-layer, 8-inch chocolate, vanilla or funfetti cake with buttercream frosting and your choice design/color theme for your next special event! Can be a birthday, anniversary, baby shower, graduation, holiday or just because! Includes delivery in local area within 30 mins of Springfield. Redeem within 1 year of award. Please let baker know of any allergens prior to order.
205	<b>Garden Consultation</b> (provided by Nanette True)	Need ideas on what to plant in your garden beds, or some landscaping guidance? Nanette, a former nursery professional, will provide 2+ hours of garden/landscape consultation at your home in May or June of 2026.
206	<b>Host a Movie Night at UUSGS!</b>	Reserve the sanctuary for a 3-4 hour period, and invite up to 20 friends to watch a movie on the big screen. You provide the movie and snacks; Jim & Katy will provide tech support. Bring a cake and turn it into a celebration! Date/time to be negotiated based on availability of space/hosts.
207	<b>2 Rainbow Trout</b>	Delivered fresh or frozen (your choice) to your home. Trout will be cleaned, beheaded and ready to cook Early May through summer 2026. Donated by Greg DeLisle *8 offers will be available

## Physical Items

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175	<b>Small maple wood pot/vessel</b>	Round wooden pot/vessel, about 4" high and 4" in diameter. Handmade from a tree harvested at Reed's Landing, with spalting markings from the rim. Turned by (and donated by) Peter Courney. A beautiful, one of a kind item!
176	<b>Basket: "Not All Beer is an IPA"</b>	donated by Andy Provencher
177	<b>Lego Succulents Set--new in box</b>	Donated by Mark Paquette and Martin Garnar
178	<b>Boston Fern plant</b>	Boston fern in nice pot, grown by Nanette True
179	<b>Begonia plant</b>	Begonia plant in nice pot, grown by Nanette True
180	<b>Succulent Terrarium</b>	Succulent Terrarium by Nanette True
181	<b>Birds Nest Fern #1</b>	Birds Nest Fern plant in nice pot, grown by Nanette True
182	<b>Birds Nest Fern #2</b>	Birds Nest Fern in nice pot, grown by Nanette True
183	<b>Autumn Fern</b>	Autumn fern in nice pot, grown by Nanette True
184	<b>Maple Syrup</b>	1 gallon (8 cans) of Maple Syrup from Quebec, tariff free, from 2025 season--donated by Denise Benoit
185	<b>Lined Journal</b>	8x10 lined journal--donated by Katy Biron

## Events/Gatherings

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300	<b>A Julia Child Dinner</b> Hosted by Harry Seymour– 11/15/25 at 6pm	Enjoy a dinner of five courses prepared from the Julia Child Mastering the Art of French Cooking. Don't worry, each course will be small enough that even with five courses you will not feel like you ate too much. However, you will experience a delicious dinner in a relaxed atmosphere in my home in Springfield. Please allow two hours for the meal. Six spots available; minimum bid \$100 per person. "I can't wait to cook for you!" (Note: This is not a Vegan or Vegetarian dinner.)
301	<b>A Night with Leonard Cohen</b> –Hosted by Harry Seymour– 1/10/26 at 7pm (Springfield)	I have been a Leonard Cohen fan for decades. As a song-writer and a singer he occupies a unique space along-side other "poets of song" such as Bob Dylan, John Lennon, Joan Baez, and Laura Nyro. I will provide a short biography of Leonard Cohen's life, play a little of his music (sung by him and others), conduct a fun trivia session, and dissect the meaning of some of his lyrics. You will sample Leonard's favorite drink, "The Red Needle" and enjoy his favorite "Monastery Soup." Don't worry, you will not be asked to sing, his songs are not exactly sing along music. Twelve spots available, minimum \$25 per spot..
302	<b>Pulled Pork BBQ dinner</b> – Hosted by Sonya Lawson and Edward Orgill–Date TBD–Westfield	We will provide a homemade pulled pork bbq dinner with all the fixings, dessert, and beverages. 5-8 pm. Six spots available, \$30 per spot.
303	<b>coloring and conversation by the fire</b> – Hosted by Bonnie Cox–12/11/25 in Enfield	A cozy evening of coloring and conversation by the fire, at Bonnie's home. Six spots available, \$20 per spot.
304	<b>Holiday Movie Night</b> – Hosted by Bonnie Cox –12/13/25 in Enfield	Holiday Movie night with popcorn, candy and beverages. Take a break and relax with friends! 12/13/25 at 7:00PM Five spots available, \$10 each
305	<b>Common Threads–A Stitching Bee</b> –for adults and teens–hosted by Katy Biron & Denise Benoit –at UUSGS (tentative date 1/17/26 10-3)	Join us at UUSGS on a winter Saturday for a few hours of stitching and good conversation by the fire. We will provide materials and instructions/inspiration for a variety of hand stitching projects, and we encourage folks to bring their own projects as well. Try some Kawandi quilting, create a felt talisman, pick up some knitting needles! A light vegetarian lunch will be provided. 20+ spots, \$40 each. (Note: a sliding scale is available for this, please talk to Katy.)

306	<b>Vegetarian Dinner and Dachshund Snuggles</b> (Hosted by Mark Paquette and Martin Garnar)	Join Mark and Martin for a delicious vegetarian meal at their home in South Hadley. Farrah and Finnegan will provide ample dachshund cuddle therapy as well! —date TBD, to be worked out with those who sign up. 6 spots available.
307	<b>Journal Circle 4/4/26</b> (hosted by Amy Correia).	Interested in exploring writing as a therapeutic, creative, and spiritual practice? Grounded in themes of personal writing presented by such writers as Julia Cameron (The Artist's Way), Natalie Goldberg (Writing Down the Bones), and Suleika Jaouad (The Book of Alchemy), Amy will lead the group through a variety of writing exercises using visual art, music, poetry, and the natural world as inspiration. Sharing what we write will be welcome, but not required. 10:30 to Noon at UUSGS. 8 spots available
308	<b>BBQ Gathering</b>	John will make his famous smoked chicken and pulled pork (with all the fixings) for up to 30 families. 5/30/26 at UUSGS
309	<b>Burgers and Beer for the Guys</b> (hosted by Roger Kellman)	An afternoon gathering with food, fun and conversation starting at 3:00 pm. East Longmeadow. 5/16/25, 15 spots available
310	<b>Texas Hold'em</b> (hosted by Roger Kellman)	A friendly game of Texas Hold'em with snacks, drinks, coffee and desserts. I'll teach you how to play if you don't know the game. Gather at 7:00 pm. 1/9/26, East Longmeadow, 10 spots available
311	<b>Lunch and Games</b> (hosted by Maureen and Roger Kellman)	Meet at our house in East Longmeadow at 12:30 pm for lunch and games. We have plenty but you can bring your favorite game to share. 2/8/2026, 8 spots available
312	<b>Lunch, Meditation and Writing</b> (hosted by Maureen Kellman)	Gather at 12:30 pm for lunch, at my house in East Longmeadow. Up your self care practice through guided meditation flowing into writing. No critiques. 3/15/26, 6 spots available
313	<b>Singing to Raise Our Spirits!</b>	Verne will lead a group sing-along of songs and singing games to lift the spirits and celebrate being alive. All voices and experience levels welcome—nothing too hard for anyone and fun for all. Some oldies, some classics, some from other parts of the world, some of his own—all singable, fun, and inspirational! Date TBD—at UUSGS
	<b>A Tea Tasting with Carl McCargo</b>	More details coming soon!