

Raffle and Silent Auction Items

Special Offerings

An Evening of Musical Adventure: Join PPM member Kim Kleasen and her husband Glenn Thomas for an exciting evening on a Tuesday evening in May to be determined. Enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres while you see and hear beautiful and amazing mechanical musical instruments. Tap your toes to the irresistible music of nickelodeons, orchestrions, and player pianos. Let band organs playing "the Happiest Music on Earth" take you back to riding on a carousel. Revel in classical music recorded by original artists and composers on reproducing grand pianos. All instruments have been restored to museum quality standards. This is one of the best private collections in this country! *For up to 25 people at a cost of \$75 per person*.

Dinner and Singing Evening: Come to a buffet dinner and sing-along gathering hosted by Janet Perkins and Lisa Forrester in Janet's Princeton home on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. Around the piano and with our accompanist, we'll enjoy singing old favorites together. **For up to 20 people at a cost of \$75 per person.**

Trinity Episcopal Cathedral Tour: Tour Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in the historic Berkeley Square neighborhood of Trenton on Sunday, June 2nd at 4 pm. In this 60-75 minute tour, discover the history of four buildings that now form the church, view the extensive stained glass windows, learn about the antique and contemporary icons, explore the underground crypt, and walk the meditative labyrinth on the front lawn. Enjoy wine and cheese afterward. Your guide will be Bernard McMullan; the address is 801 West State Street in Trenton. Please note that this is a walking tour, so wear

comfortable walking shoes; traversing stairs down and up from the crypt is a feature of the tour. *For up to 12 people at a cost of \$25 per person.*

Raffle Items

Ro1 An Irish Blessing: Have an Irish-themed get-together with your choice of Bailey's Original Irish Cream or Espresso Creme, along with some Guinness Stout as a chaser.

Ro2 Gift Passes to Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve: Experience nature in all its beauty with six passes to Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve--the nation's only native plant "museum" located in Bucks County PA. Wander the trails and discover more than 700 varieties of plants native to Pennsylvania on 134 fenced acres of ecologically diverse habitat. At the gift shop in the visitor's center, buy one of more than 200 varieties of native plants and start your own wild garden. A fun day for all ages.

Ro3 Onyx and Silver Earrings: Beautiful silver earrings with set-in circular onyx stones that reflect light.

Ro4 French Wine Set: Two bottles of French wine: "Infamous Gold" Cabernet Blanc and Cote du Rhone Rosé. Bottles come in an attractive insulated leakproof red wine carrier with shoulder strap.

Ro5 Dog Lover's Basket: Give your doggie the royal treatment with this basket full of treats. Includes Greenbone doggie bags, plush doggie blanket, tug-of-war toy, stuffed bunny toy, pet placemat, grooming glove, and several kinds of delicious doggie treats.

Ro6 Madame Alexander Baby Doll: Gift your little one My First Baby Doll by Madame Alexander. This nurturing sensory 12" baby doll features an ultra soft body for gentle hugs and cuddles.

Ro7 Four Bottles of Pinot Noir: This basket Includes four different pinot noirs: P. Dubreuil-Fontaine Père & Fils Bourgogne Rouge 2022, Decoy - Limited Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir 2021, Elk Cove Pinot Noir Willamette Valley 2022, and St. Michael-Eppan Pinot Noir 2022. Compare and savor each of them!

Ro8 Amazon Gift Card: Purchase something special for yourself or others with this \$100 Amazon gift certificate.

Ro9 Rum and Ginger Beer: You will make the best Old Fashioned you have ever tasted, using this bottle of 15-year El Dorado Rum. You might also mix Ginger Beer and Rum for a delightfully refreshing tall glass.

R10 Handmade Silk Scarf: Add this beautiful handmade multicolored scarf knitted by PPM soprano Teri Lindstrom to your collection. Made of cotton and silk.

R11 Chickadee Creek Farm Gift Certificate: \$100 gift certificate to Chickadee Creek Farm, growers of certified organic vegetables, herbs, and flowers in Pennington, NJ.

R12 Italian Wine Set: One bottle of Italian "Gemma di Luna" Pinot Grigio and one bottle of Freixenet Italian Rosé. Bottles come in an attractive insulated leakproof black wine carrier with shoulder strap.

Silent Auction Items

A01 Vermont Bed & Breakfast: Enjoy a four-night stay for up to four people at Jan and Dave Johnson's lakeside home on the edge of the Green Mountain National Forest in Vermont. Enjoy hiking in the mountains, canoeing/kayaking in the lake, and historical sites and museums within easy drive. Dates to be mutually decided upon; kitchen available for meal preparation if desired.

A02 A Champagne Toast: Celebrate a special occasion with two crystal flutes and a bottle of Ruinart Blanc de Blancs champagne, rated 93 by Wine Spectator and James Suckling "...lovely balance of juicy fruit and acidity that dances nimbly across the palate."

A03 Commissioned House or Landscape Painting: Karen Repka will create a watercolor painting or drawing of your house or a favorite landscape from your provided photo. Your portrait will be matted to fit a 16" x 20" frame.

A04 Pearl Earrings: These Chinese freshwater pearls have a beautiful white sheen. Approximately 10.8 mm in diameter. Posts are 14 karat white gold.

Ao5 Garden Walk: Enjoy wine and cheese and a casual walk through the beautiful quarter-acre Pennington garden of master gardener Nora Sirbaugh. A group of up to eight will hear detailed, informative, and humorous stories and information about the background of Nora's many plants--and get answers to common gardening questions. Date in 2024 to be arranged with Nora--ideally in May or June.

A06 Margaritaville Basket: Like margaritas? This basket contains all the fixings: Patron Silver Tequila, Triple Sec, limes, margarita glasses, a salt rimmer, chips, salsa, and more.

A07 Tray of Baklava: Savor a sumptuous dessert--a 9"x14" tray of delicious baklava, made to order by PPM baker Blessing Agunwamba.

- **Ao8 Salad Bowl and More:** Make a gourmet salad for your party in this beautiful oversized Nissen Denmark teak wood salad bowl. Includes wood salad servers, a large 68-oz bottle of Pompeian extra-virgin olive oil, and bottles of Balsamic, red wine, and rice vinegar.
- **A09 90-Minute Massage:** Treat yourself to 90 minutes of "ahhh" at I Knead You Holistic Massage Therapy. Your achy muscles will thank you!
- **A10 Framed Photograph Blue Heron:** A beautiful framed photograph of a heron by photographer Carole Haines. matted and framed, 13" x 16".
- **A11 Framed Photograph Razorbill Auk:** A lovely framed photograph of an auk by photographer Carole Haines, matted and framed, 14 1/2" x 17 1/2".
- **A12 Riverside Dinner for Six:** Bernard McMullan and Sam Stephens will host a multi-course dinner for six, with wine, in their Riverside Drive home in Trenton. Collaborate with the chefs on the seasonal menu, which may include grilled or smoked foods. Dine al fresco, or inside, as you choose. Weather permitting, a stroll along the Delaware River is possible.
- **A13 Poconos Vacation:** Enjoy a week's vacation at the home of Dottie and John Cassimatis on Lake Wallenpaupack in the Poconos. Their 3-bedroom house has a full kitchen, deck with propane fire pit, air conditioning, cable TV, pool table, and other amenities. Swim in the lake, rent boats, enjoy good restaurants nearby. Available June 1-8, 15-22, July 13-20, Sept. 7-14; other dates also possible.
- **A14 Handmade Scarf:** Wrap yourself in this beautiful richly colored and textured handmade scarf knitted by PPM soprano Teri LIndstrom. Wool/acrylic blend with a touch of cotton and nylon.
- **A15 William Trent House Tour:** Tour the 1719 William Trent House in Trenton with its director, Sam Stephens, then enjoy a repast hosted by Bernard McMullen and Sam Stephens. Limited to six people.
- **A16 Chivas Regal Scotch:** Savor Chivas Regal scotch with friends using these beautiful 4-ounce hand-blown whiskey tumblers.
- **A17 Audio Recording:** Charles Repka will record your recital or concert and provide an edited master in the format for your choice. Charlie is a retired audio engineer who worked for Vanguard Records, NBC-TV, and ABC-TV. He now has his own freelance recording service. Hear the difference a professional recording makes!
- **A18 Musical "Secret Garden" Treasure Box:** This beautiful children's combination music/jewelry box has compartments, ring-holders, and hooks for storing jewelry and secret treasures. Turn the handle, open the box, and watch the figure inside dance to the sound of Carl Maria Von Weber's "Invitation to the Dance."

- **A19 Dinner at Ryan's:** Did you know that Ryan is not only a fantastic choral director but also a fabulous cook? Bid on this multi-course gourmet dinner with drinks for up to eight people, served at Ryan's apartment in New York City's historic West Village.
- **A20** Fine Art Replica Giclée Print: Framed and matted Renaissance woodcut print, 15" and 17", of a French poem about love and music from the 14th Century Chantilly Codex. The print is labeled with its source, method, and date of issue.
- **A21 \$200 Princeton Restaurant Gift Certificate:** Enjoy fine restaurant dining in Princeton at your choice of the Witherspoon Grill, Kristine's, or the Blue Point Grill.
- **A22 Dinner and NJ Symphony Tickets:** Tickets for two to enjoy the New Jersey Symphony at Richardson Auditorium on June 7, 2024. The dynamic Xian Zhang conducts an orchestration of Gershwin's Porgy and Bess—including the great tunes "Summertime" and "It Ain't Necessarily So." Piano soloist Daniil Trifonov plays Gershwin's "Concerto in F." Before the concert, enjoy dinner (\$100 gift certificate) at any of the Terra Momo group of restaurants, including Mediterra, Teresa's, and Eno Terra.
- **A23 Grandparents' Gift Basket:** Visit your grandchildren with this delightful basket of toys! Includes Barbie and Ken movie dolls, a set of Lincoln Logs, Evolution composite basketball, Ty Beanie Baby Flamingo, reversible stuffed ladybug, Nerf Mini Rocket, and more.
- **A24 Garden Design:** Tim Carpenter, PPM singer with 40 years of experience as a gardener, offers a two-hour consultation with you, onsite, about your garden design. Questions you may discuss include: What's the poop on soil amendment? Which plants will do well in the microclimates of my garden? Is a native plant garden for me? How do I deal with overgrown shrubs? Make good use of Tim's knowledge!
- **A25** Commissioned Pet Portrait: Angel Gardner will create an original head and shoulders portrait of your pet, from your high resolution photo. The pastel drawing will be placed in a temporary frame, ready for a professional framing under glass.
- **A26 Home-brewed IPA:** Enjoy home-brewed India Pale Ale from PPM singer Kenny Litvack. Includes 24 twelve-ounce glass bottles. Beer is currently brewing and will be available after April 22; arrange details of delivery with Kenny.
- **A27 Wine Basket:** A bottle of 2020 J Lohr Estates Cabernet Sauvignon (received 93 points from Wine Review Online) in a basket along with seven beautiful hand-painted wine glasses with grape clusters from Block Basics, presented in an attractive basket.
- **A28 Personalized Quilt:** Get a personalized 66 x 48" crazy quilt, designed and made by PPM tenor Gahan Pandina, in consultation with you! The possibilities include a memory quilt, a T-shirt quilt, or a design you come up with. Your choice of five colors for the flannel backing.