

DEAR FRIENDS,

The Quilt Auction at Green Lake Bible Camp is back for its 39th year! The Quilt Auction has become a beloved tradition for Green Lake Lutheran Ministries and we're so excited to be planning this special event again! You make this annual event an incredible success each year with your donations, support and prayers. Your participation is important and makes a huge impact on our ministry endeavors all year. We hope you will consider participating in the Quilt Auction again this year.

Proceeds from this event allow us to provide fun, safe, quality, Christ-centered camping and retreating opportunities for people of all ages - and we're so thankful for your help! With your help, this past year's Quilt Auction was record-breaking. Despite the pouring rain, we experienced record-breaking participation with 111 live bidders at Green Lake Bible Camp and 220 bid online. The Moment of Giving, raised an event high total for the new blue camp bus of \$27,982.64. The event raised a record-breaking grand total of \$115,588.94! None of this would have been possible without you and your support - thank you!

We invite you to join us on Saturday, July 22, 2023 for the 39th annual Quilt Auction and the fun events leading up to it! It would be an immense honor to have you share in this remarkable day. It's a moving experience to see just how much joy your donations bring our guests and bidders and we would love to share that with you!

Enclosed you will find a packet of information detailing how to get involved this year, including donation ideas and guidelines, volunteer opportunities and how to promote the event in your community.

Exciting things are happening at Green Lake Lutheran Ministries and you are a vital part of that! We pray that you will be able to participate in the event again this year.

God's peace,

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AUCTION ITEM DONATION GUIDELINES

There are so many ways to donate to the Quilt Auction! Please consider one of the following:

QUILTS

- Bidders enjoy a variety of handmade, machine quilted or hand quilted pieces. It is nice to have a range of quilt sizes; however, queen size quilts seem to be the most sought after.
- Many of our bidders are quilt-lovers, but not necessarily quilt makers. They are looking for
 "quilts with a story." We encourage you to share your inspiration for your quilt, details
 about it's design and who made it, etc. Any information you have to share will be
 appreciated and certainly cherished along with the quilt. This information should be
 included on your donation's completed form.

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

- Bidders enjoy a wide variety of items to peruse in the Silent Auction. The following items seem to go over best: gift or themed baskets, event tickets, fine crafted items, such as embroidered dish towels or wood carvings, baked goods and more.
- Please note that we will need to display the item somehow. If you are offering an experience, please consider sharing any photos you have that can help show it off!

MONETARY DONATIONS

- **Cash donations:** consider donating funds to help off-set the advertising, food, and supply expenses. Checks may be sent to: GLLM, 9916 Lake Avenue South, Spicer, Minnesota 56288. Please include a note or memo that the gift is for the Quilt Auction.
- Thrivent Action Team Grants: if you are a Thrivent member, this is an easy way to put a Thrivent Action Team to work! Contact Sonya about ways Action Teams can benefit the Quilt Auction.
- **Event sponsorships:** Own a business? Consider sponsoring this family-friendly event to gain good exposure for your business, good will and support a great cause! Sponsorship packages come in a variety of sizes and include an array of benefits, like including your logo in our marketing, on site advertising, and more. Contact Kirsten for more information!

Please note: The Quilt Committee tries their hardest to honor each and every donation. The Quilt Committee reserves the right to limit each organization or individuals donations to keep the auctions within a reasonable time frame. For example,

- In the case of an overabundance of quilt donations, some quilts will be placed on the separate online auction or in our pre-priced Instant Items area. This creates an opportunity for more people across the country to participate in the auction!
- In the case of an overabundance silent auction item donations, some items will be placed in our pre-priced Instant Items area. In the recent past, this has been a very popular option for those who are unable to attend the auction or are not comfortable bidding!
- Damaged, vintage, stained or used items will be marked as such and sold as is, at the Quilt Committee's discretion.

DELIVERING YOUR DONATION ITEMS

- Please complete the donation information form enclosed and attach to each donated item. It is very important that the information is shared to keep accurate records and to give proper credit to those donating items.
- We ask that your quilts and items be delivered to camp by **Wednesday**, **July 12th**, **2023**. This allows the Quilt Committee time to process your items. Any items received after this date may not be included in the booklet or listed online.
- If you are donating an item that needs to be donated at a later date (for example: baked goods that need to be made later than July 12th to be sold fresh), please notify Kirsten as soon as you are able!
- Donations can be dropped off at Green Lake Bible Camp or mailed to GLLM at 9916 Lake Avenue South, Spicer, Minnesota 56288. The best time to donate items is during our office hours, Monday to Friday from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. If you need to donate an item outside of this window, please let us know!

PROMOTING THE QUILT AUCTION

The Quilt Auction has become a special way to introduce people to camp, and give them a homecoming of sorts if they have been connected to camp as a camper, retreat guest, summer staff member or volunteer. Help us spread the word about the Quilt Auction!

- Share the information with your congregation's quilting group or outreach groups. We would love to help dream up a new way for your congregation to serve together!
- Making a quilt with a church group? Create a display at your church with photos of the quilters working on the quilt as it progresses.
- Share the Quilt Auction information in your church's bulletin or newsletter.
- In late spring, we will have posters and postcards available. Let us know if you need a few posters to hang at your local congregation, quilt shops, art centers, or other public spaces!
- As the event draws closer, there will be plenty of social media posts on our Facebook and Instagram pages. Invite your friends by liking and sharing a few posts!

VOLUNTEERING AT THE QUILT AUCTION

Volunteers are an integral part in making the Quilt Auction go smoothly and have so much fun! Please consider helping out - we have a variety of roles available on Friday and Saturday, including:

- Selling Quilt Review and meal tickets
- Hosting in the Silent Auction area or Quilt Room
- Driving golf carts for rides between parking lots
- Greeting and directing guests
- Helping make root beer floats
- Clearing and busing tables

and so much more! This could be a great opportunity for a group to serve together as well! For information and to sign up, please contact Kirsten at 320-796-2181 or kpalan@gllm.org



FRIDAY, JULY 21

- Quilt Review, 3:00-8:00 PM
- Silent Auction Opens at 3:00 PM
- Hotdish Supper, 4:30-7:00 PM
- Beachfront Concert, 5:30-7:00 PM
- Fresh Doughnuts and Concessions

SATURDAY, JULY 22

- Quilt Review, 9:00-11:00 AM
- Bounce House, 10:30 AM 2:00 PM
- Pulled Pork Lunch, 11:00 AM 1:00 PM
- Live Auction Begins at 12:00 PM
- Silent Auction Closes at 4:00 PM
- Online Quilt Auction Closes at 5:00 PM
- Fresh Doughnuts and Concessions

ONE AUCTION, FOUR SECTIONS

The Quilt Auction at Green Lake Bible Camp has grown over the years, requiring us to break the auction into smaller sections. They are as follows:

- **Live Quilt Auction:** the first 100 or so quilts are auctioned off live, in-person under the tent by Green Lake on Saturday, July 22 beginning at 12:00 PM.
- **Online Quilt Auction:** the remainder of the quilts are auctioned off online using GiveSmart, beginning Sunday, July 16 until Saturday, July 22 at 5:00 PM.
- **Hybrid Silent Auction:** bidding for the Silent Auction is done online using GiveSmart as well, beginning Sunday, July 16 until Saturday, July 22 at 4:00 PM.
- **Instant Item Sale:** these items are purchased outright rather than auctioned off. These can be purchased online using GiveSmart or in-person at Green Lake Bible Camp. Most of these items are one-of-a-kind if you see something you like, it's best to snatch it up!

All items are available on display in the Chrysalis House at Green Lake Bible Camp, beginning Friday, July 21 at 3:00 PM! Online bidding and viewing access available at **GLLM.org/quilt-auction** beginning July 16.

BIDDING HELP AVAILABLE!

Can't attend the live Quilt Auction but want to bid on an item on the Live Quilt Auction? Or feeling nervous about bidding online? No problem! Request a proxy bidder or ask questions by contacting Kirsten at 320-796-2181 or kpalan@gllm.org!



All items donated to the Quilt Auction must have this information sheet attached to them.

Please turn in your items no later than July 12, 2023! Items can be dropped off at

Green Lake Bible Camp or mailed to GLLM, 9916 Lake Avenue South, Spicer, Minnesota 56288.

This item is given by: ☐ Individual	\square Congregation	\square Business or Organization
Donor Name:		
\square I/we would like to make this donation anonymously.		
Contact Person's Information:		
Contact Name:		
Address:		
		Zip Code:
Phone:	Email:	
Item Information:		
Item Name (required):		
Type of item:		
Size (measured in inches):		
If your item is a quilt, please check all that apply: \Box tied \Box machine quilted		
☐ hand quilted ☐ pieced ☐ panel ☐ other:		
Colors:		
Please share any special stories or information that goes along with your donation. Please use		
the back side of this sheet or attached a separate piece of paper.		
Have you ever donated an item to the Quilt Auction before? \Box Yes \Box No		
Which years?		