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Nine days left for Carver Foundation auction bids

April 18, 2017 – The George Washington Carver Foundation’s online auction is in full swing, and wraps up at 6 p.m. on April 27.

The auction is the primary fundraising event for the Carver Center. In the past, money raised has been used for big-ticket items like ceiling insulation, furniture for the library, a scoreboard, bleachers, as well as money for scholarships and summer camp.

Auction favorites – like an African safari and a stay at the Hammock Beach Resort – are on the list as they have been in years past. They are joined this year by number of pieces created by renowned local artists Doreen Hardie, Weldon Ryan, Sheila Skipp Zinkerman, Richlin Burnett-Ryan, JJ Graham, William Lurcott, Lawrence N. Green, and photographer A.J. Neste, among others.

“This year we wanted to highlight the exceptional artists we have here in Flagler County, as well as the wonderful things the Carver Center does for the community,” said Barbara Revels, a member of the George Washington Carver Foundation and former Flagler County commissioner who was instrumental in bringing the Carver Center up to a sustainable level, thus saving it from an uncertain fate.

The Carver Center is a recreational facility that also offers tutoring, after school study, internet access and also serves the community with GED classes, employment counseling and other services. It supports the Road to Success program, the AIM summer camp and numerous athletic tournaments.

The list of auction items, which tops 100 this year, also includes gift certificates to local restaurants and businesses, hand-blown glass, Bohemian art glass from the Czech Republic, jewelry, golf outings, hot yoga, Flagler County Centennial memorabilia, and a variety of sporting, camping and vacationing opportunities.

Bids will be tabulated through 6 p.m. April 27.

A “Bidder ID” system will provide each person participating in the auction with a unique, and anonymous, identification that will display on the website. This will help bidders determine if their bids are the current high bids. Additionally, bidders will not have fill out personal information for each bid placed.
For registration and the complete list of items is available, go to: gwcarvercenter.com/foundation/auction. All proceeds will benefit the continued support and development of the G.W. Carver Community Center.

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