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Carver Foundation auction in full swing, bid now

April 12, 2018 – The George Washington Carver Foundation’s online auction kicked off Thursday and will be in full swing until 6 p.m. on April 26.

The auction is the primary fundraising event for the Carver Center. Money raised through past auctions was used for big-ticket items like ceiling insulation, furniture for its library, a scoreboard, bleachers, as well as 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 guided tours of area parks, golf, outings with local celebrities like Sheriff Rick Staly and Superintendent James Tager, as well as facilities rentals, surf instruction, gift baskets, and estate planning.

“We are fortunate to have such a wide variety of items donated for the auction,” said Cheryl Massaro, who oversees the G.W. Carver Community Center as just one of her many functions for Flagler Schools. “I believe the auction is well received by the community because there is something for everybody.”

The Carver Center is a recreational facility that 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.

Former county commissioner Barbara Revels, a founding member of the George Washington Carver Foundation, was instrumental in bringing the Carver Center up to a sustainable level, which saved it from an uncertain fate.

There are currently 61 auction items offered, but the list continues to grow. Bids will be tabulated through 6 p.m. April 26.

Charles Ericksen, Jr.
District 1

Greg Hansen
District 2

David Sullivan
District 3

Nate McLaughlin
District 4

Donald O’Brien, Jr.
District 5

“I am really proud of the growth and improvements to the Carver Center,” said Commissioner Charlie Ericksen, who is chair of the Carver Foundations governance board. “It is because of the continued support of our residents that we have been able to make enhancements to the center for our community.”

For registration and the complete list of items is available, go to:

<http://auction.carverfoundation.org>. All proceeds will benefit the continued support and development of the G.W. Carver Community Center.

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