Winning Bidding Strategies

Increase your chances of winning by building a bidding consortium with your friends.

Combine great lots and get more bang for your buck (e.g., pair lots 501 and 502 for a morning of sailing with your friends and an afternoon tour of North Fork vineyards; win both Lot 412 and Lot 602 and you and your friends can linger over a delicious Bangladesh dinner and an evening of movies in your home).

Check-out will be available at Packer on Sunday from 12 to 3 p.m. Why not skip the check-out line tonight and come to school tomorrow afternoon?

ONLY AT PACKER

122 These Are A Few Of My Favorite Things
Here’s something to make your children sing for joy. Fran Onne-Fong will take your child and two friends out for a stroll and an ice cream. We can only imagine the libretto for this event.
- Donor: Fran Onne-Fong
- Value: Priceless  Minimum Bid: $100

123 It’s A Big City Out There
This lot just got much more valuable. Newly-appointed Head of the Lower School Division, Andrea Kelly, will chaperone your child and a friend for the day anywhere they want to go in New York City. How many places in this fine city have you been meaning to take your kids but somehow never found the time? Come on, admit it. Here’s your chance: Your kid picks the destination, you pick up the tab and everyone wins.
- Donor: Andrea Kelly
- Value: Priceless  Minimum Bid: $100

124 International Woman of Mystery
Carol Schulhof has made a generous and particularly poignant donation to the Black and White Bash. Over the years, she has collected an array of charming toys and figures from literally every continent. Each has a story; all are amazing. Seen together on a shelf, these mementoes are a marvelous international tour of Carol’s unparalleled tenure at Packer.
- Donor: Carol Schulhof
- Value: Priceless  Minimum Bid: $100

125 Where Did You Get That Sweater?
Have you ever had a sweater made just for you? As in, you pick the yarn, the style and the size? Man’s, woman’s, child’s? There are some things money just can’t buy and this is one of them. Susan Feibelman, Head of the Upper School Division, will make you a sweater to your own specs and deliver it to you before the leaves turn in the Fall of 2006. If you’ve ever seen her work, you know she’s a pro. This will be a treasure.
- Donor: Susan Feibelman
- Value: Priceless  Minimum Bid: $100

126 Pinata Madness
Ned Griefen, First Grade teacher and all-around great guy, will make a piñata with your child in three after-school sessions. Any child who has had the pleasure of being under Ned’s wings for First Grade knows that this is the fabulous finale for their study of Mexico.
- Donor: Ned Griefen  Value: Priceless  Minimum Bid: $100

JEWELRY

205 These Baubles Become You
Here is just the thing for a special birthday present. This opalite glass necklace with a carved opalite pendant and wonderful handmade sterling silver hooked clasp has been handmade by Joyce Hellew. It’s beautiful, it’s fitting, it’s for you.
- Donor: Joyce Hellew  Value: $350  Minimum Bid: $150
305  Excellent Seats; Fearful Symmetries
You’ll be sitting only 13 rows back at Lincoln Center on June 13 for this exciting performance. The program includes Fearful Symmetries, one of Peter Martin’s most engaging ballads, fast and intricate, using the dancers’ skills and physical strength in unusual ways. It also features Divertimento by George Balanchine, which is essentially about the good manners and vital graciousness in the world of Mozart’s music. Finally, there is a new Wheeldon ballet which we will ask you to review for us.
- Donor: Kathryn Hodges
- Value: $150  Minimum Bid: $80

CULTURE

413  Grandma and the Gang at Lincoln Center
Grandma Goes to Hollywood brings the celluloid dreams of the silver screen into the circus ring! With spectacle and spotlights, action and exploits, saw-dust and glamour, the Big Apple Circus rolls out the red carpet for you, with celebrated star, Grandma the Clown, and her luminous cast of acrobats, jugglers, trapeze flyers, performing horses and dogs, humorists and superheroes of the Big Top. The fast pace and intimate setting will make movie moments come to life, in a show that will create unforgettable circus memories for your entire family! Four ringside seats between October, 2006, and January, 2007.
- Donor: Andrea Kopel, Big Apple Circus
- Value: $300  Minimum Bid: $150

608  Show Me Where It Hurts
You’ll be feeling a lot better after this acupuncture treatment and Chinese medicine consultation at Remedy, a holistic health center and spa. These practices have been around a lot longer than our western ways and we think, quite frankly, they’re on to something. Try it; you’ll like it. Hurry up, though, because this certificate expires in six months.
- Donor: Stacey Brosman  Value: $80  Minimum Bid: $40

609  Holiday Portrait Pronto: Bid Here
You’ll rue the day you missed this lot. Jean Ervasti has an amazing eye; her portraits are distinctly telling and insightful. Often, she catches the quickest smile of a shy child or a fleeting gesture. Jean will take a portrait, edit and retouch it, create 100 holiday cards and throw in four framed 8x10 prints suitable for gift-giving. You’ll be getting your nails done while the rest of us are scrambling.
- Donor: Jean Ervasti  Value: $650  Minimum Bid: $300

610  Shopping Spree With Stylist
Anyone who has gone shopping with their preteen daughter knows that finding just the right thing can be a bit of a...how do we say it? Trial? Karen Pandiani has dressed major stars: Michelle Pfeiffer, Sigourney Weaver, Alec Baldwin...like that. She will take your child for a back-to-school shopping spree in September or October to AllKat, the coolest store in Brooklyn for hip, up-to-the-minute fashion. This lot comes with a generous $250 gift certificate, so your groovy girl won’t have to dip into the babysitting money to buy those clothes.
- Donor: Karen Pandiani with Donna Paparella and Finnerty
- Value: Priceless  Minimum Bid: $250

BY HAND

706  Port Clyde, Maine, In Black and White
Risa Glickman, Lower School Art Teacher and former Packer parent, has donated a framed 4”x 4” graphite and charcoal sketch. The image is a quiet and introspective study of Port Clyde, Maine; a mood we’d like to channel during the busy days in Brooklyn.
- Donor: Risa Glickman  Value: $350  Minimum Bid:$150

SPORTS

816  Yankees v. Phillies in Philadelphia, Monday, June 19
Take the family for a long weekend or a short drive to Philadelphia and while you’re there, cheer on the Yankees on the Phillies home turf. Four seats are available for this game at Citizens Bank Park, the new home of the Phillies since 2004.
- Donor: Michael Furman  Value: $150  Minimum Bid: $60

817  Yankees v. Phillies in Philadelphia, Wednesday, June 21
Root for the Phillies in their home town or be the minority group of Yankees fans in the stands at Citizens Bank Stadium in Philadelphia. Four tickets.
- Donor: Michael Furman  Value: $150  Minimum Bid: $60

BLACK BOX

908  Teddy Bear Seeks Syrup
A welcome accompaniment to the whimsical teddy bear in lot 908, this quart of family-made maple syrup from Ken and Chris Rush is delicious. We know. We stock our shelves with it regularly.
- Donor: Ken and Chris Rush  Value: $35

912  Find Your Way Out Of The Woods
Hansel and Gretel never had it this good. This is a $100 gift certificate for “Ruby et Violette” utterly divine chocolate chunk cookies. You won’t want to crumble them up to find your way home; you won’t even want to share them.
- Donor: Maria Foffe and Ken Jameson  Value: $100

913  “Dear Fido, Having A Great Time, Wish You Were Here...”
Knowing your beloved pets are in good hands while you are away is often the difference between a good vacation and a great one. A responsible, mature woman will house sit and care for your pets for a weekend (cats or dogs...the iguana will have to go to Granny’s). The combined weight of the animals can not exceed 45 pounds. Don’t ask us why, but that’s the rule.
- Donor: Eileen Dinfield  Value: $75

914  Ride On, Dudes
This will be the most totally awesome thing on your kid’s dorm or bedroom wall next year. A signed and framed poster from the US Olympic Ski and Snowboard Team, ready to hang. It comes with the same signatures on a hat, so you can be cool in and out of school.
- Donor: Miranda Magagnini and Matthew Pilkington  Value: Priceless

915  Packer Every Which Way
This is a great collection of everything Packer. A Packer tote bag filled with all sorts of rah-rah Packer items: a mug, a pen, a tie, a scarf, a bumper-sticker and even Packer chapstick... Go Pelicans!
- Donor: Packer Development Office  Value:$150

Proceeds from tonight’s Black and White Bash will be used to restore a Packer treasure, the Dante Tiffany Window in Packer’s Chapel.