

## **Silent Auction Donation Forms Are Due October 15**

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We appreciate the support from state affiliates and individual members in keeping our awards program vibrant! We hope you can support the silent auction again this year. The silent auction donation form is due October 15.

I certainly enjoyed bidding on items last year - and getting a couple of fun, high-quality items shipped directly to me at my home when I won the bid. One of the items even had a personal note from the person who made it. That was a very special touch!

### **Has your affiliate decided on a 2021 NEAFCS Silent Auction item to contribute?**

Visit the Silent Auction website at <https://www.neafcs.org/2021-silent-auction> and download the [Silent Auction Donation form](#). Fill out the form and email it back along with your image(s) of your donated item by the **October 15 deadline**. Contact [awards@neafcs.org](mailto:awards@neafcs.org) if you have any questions or need help.

### **Action Steps:**

- a. Purchase and take a close-up, high-quality picture of your item for the Virtual Silent Auction.
- b. Submit a [Silent Auction donation](#) form for each item.
- c. For each item donated, email a picture and a donation form to: Will Ferguson ([WFerguson@executiveoffice.org](mailto:WFerguson@executiveoffice.org)).
- d. Ship the item directly to the winner of the Silent Auction about 10 days from the end of Annual Session (you will be given instructions on where to mail it by the National Office).

### **These are Suggested Items to Donate:**

- Food items that represent your state, such as: muffin, cookie or soup mixes, hot sauce, jellies/jams of fruits that are found in your state (e.g., Prickly Pear for Arizona)
- Gift cards
- Hand-made gifts such as: cutting boards, quilts or wall hangings, wood carvings, jewelry.

*Please NOTE: We will NOT be accepting alcoholic beverages for shipping or in-person auctioning, however, gift cards for alcoholic beverages, shipped from the company, will be accepted.*

### **Are you a Star Donor?**

While you are visiting the Silent Auction website to download your donor forms, consider becoming part of the [Star Donor Club](#). Any NEAFCS member can become a Star Donor. Your \$50 donation to the Star Donor Club (limited to 100 members) is tax deductible.