36th Annual Friends of Fondren Library Gala Honoring Tanya and Wayne Graham 2016 Auction Preview LIVE AUCTION













Steamboat Springs

Be our guest at our Steamboat Springs home for a week. The home has **four bedrooms and three and one-half baths** and is only a five-minute drive from the ski lifts and 10 minutes from downtown. Completely remodeled in 2012, the home **sleeps up to 12**, with two king master bedrooms, a double queen, and a quad-bunk room. Other features include an office with a computer, wireless network and a printer; a two-level deck with hot tub; and a great view down Fish Creek Valley. This auction package **includes use of our two Jeep® vehicles and 10 bottles of your choosing from our wine collection**.

We do not rent the house but welcome you as our guests. Dates to be mutually agreed upon. Christmas and New Year's weeks 2016 are available.

Donated by Maxann and T. Jay Collins.

Value: \$10,000

Not included: Airfare, airport transfers and taxes, ground transportation, car rental, meals or activity fees

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Owls Football

You and a guest will travel with the Rice Owls football team when they play **Army at West Point Saturday, September 10, 2016**. This special opportunity includes round-trip travel with the team, hotel accommodations, ground transportation with the team or boosters, inclusion in any alumni or Owl Club group activities the night before and/or before the game, and two tickets to the game.

Donated by Rice Athletics.

Value: \$2,000

Not included: Other activities, meals, beverages and tips

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Colonial Virginia

with John Boles '65 the William P. Hobby Professor of History, and editor, Journal of Southern History, 1983–2013





You and a guest will spend a week with renowned historian and popular Rice tour group leader John Boles '65 retracing the life and times of our Founding Fathers in Colonial Virginia. Begin with Virginia's earliest colonial settlements in Jamestown and Williamsburg, enjoying special access to heritage sites and historic buildings. Learn about the dramatic conclusion of the Revolutionary War at the Yorktown battlefield, and spend a day

exploring beautiful Colonial-era plantation homes and landscapes along the James River. A stop in Richmond allows you to explore the Thomas Jefferson designed state capital and relive Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty, or give me death!" speech. In the Appalachian foothills, the world of Thomas Jefferson comes even more fully to life with a private tour

at his iconic Monticello and a personalized look at his elegant University of Virginia campus. The itinerary concludes with a tour of the quaint tree-lined streets of Old Town Alexandria and a customized in-depth tour of George Washington's Mount Vernon plantation.

With Boles' lectures and frequent commentary throughout the itinerary, this program is a once-in-a-lifetime chance for those interested in America's colonial history to learn about the politics, society, economics and culture of 18th-century Virginia, visiting one beautiful historical site after another. The tour will focus on political and military history, but also other issues that were critical to early America: slavery, immigration, tobacco and agriculture.

Trip made possible through the ARA's Traveling Owls program.

Date: May 29-June 4, 2016

Value: \$6,950

Not included: Airfare, some meals, beverages and tips



Rebecca Richards-Kortum

Malcolm Gillis University Professor

Professor of Bioengineering and Electrical and Computer Engineering

Director, Rice 360°: Institute for Global Health

Director, Institute of Biosciences and Bioengineering

Founder, Beyond Traditional Borders

1. Father Guido Sarducci, the Five-Minute University and Global Health: How Rice Students are Changing the World

What experiences as an undergraduate had the most impact on your life? Likely they didn't happen during lectures. Come and hear how Rice 360° is taking a lesson from "Saturday Night Live" to help Rice students become leaders in global health at this dinner hosted in the home of Barbara Jenkins Gibbs, M.D. '73 and David K. Gibbs.

Date: Wednesday, February 24, 2016Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250



Geoffrey Winningham '65Lynette S. Autrey Professor of Humanities
Professor of Visual Arts

2. 'Of the Soil: Photographs of Vernacular Architecture and Stories of Changing Times in Arkansas'

In the early 1980s, Geoff Winningham traveled throughout Arkansas, locating and photographing examples of classic southern American vernacular architecture: dogtrot cabins, country stores, wood frame churches and one-of-a-kind hog houses — local buildings remembered by local people. He photographed over 3,000 structures, amassing an important archive. Three decades later, Winningham reopened his archive and began to structure a book. That same year, he returned to Arkansas, revisiting many of the sites he had photographed. Most of the buildings had disappeared, victims of fires, storms or human neglect. What he found were locals who remem-bered the buildings. After listening to their recollections and observations, he wrote 21 stories that accompany the photographs in "Of the Soil" (University of Arkansas Press, 2014). At this dinner hosted in the home of Liz Howard Crowell '76 and Steven G. Crowell, Winningham will discuss the photographs and read stories from his book.

Date: Thursday, March 17, 2016

Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250



Pedro J. J. AlvarezGeorge R. Brown Professor of Materials Science and NanoEngineering
Director, Nanotechnology-Enabled Water Treatment (NEWT)

3. Nanotechnology Enabled Water Treatment (NEWT) Systems

In this presentation, Pedro Alvarez will discuss NEWT, a new interdisciplinary, multi-institution nanosystems engineering research center, headquartered at Rice University. NEWT's goal is to facilitate access to clean water almost anywhere in the world by developing efficient modular water treatment systems that are easy to deploy and that can tap unconventional sources to provide humanitarian water or emergency response. NEWT also develops systems to treat and reuse challenging industrial wastewaters in remote locations, such as oil and gas fields to help energy production be more sustainable and more cost-efficient in regards to its water footprint. The talk is hosted by Barbara D. Mackey '14 and James A. Ferrendelli, M.D., at Canopy.

Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2016

Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250



John B. Boles '65 William P. Hobby Professor of History Editor, Journal of Southern History, 1983– 2013

4. Writing Jefferson's Life

In this presentation, John Boles will explore the problems and possibilities of writing a full-scale biography of Thomas Jefferson, a man who lived a long life, was involved in everything of importance in the nation for more than 50 years and had enormously wide-ranging interests. And if that were not enough, Jefferson's life was filled with seeming contraction and both triumph and tragedy. How can one make sense of this man and understand him in his own historical context as well as our own? Join us for this account of the challenge of writing about this enigmatic man, which will be hosted in the home of Julie '72 and David Itz '72.

Date: Thursday, March 31, 2016

Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250



Antonio Merlo George A. Peterkin Professor of Economics Chair, Department of Economics Founder and director, Rice Initiative for the Study of Economics (RISE)

5. RISE: the Rice Initiative for the Study of Economics

Launched in 2014, the Rice Initiative for the Study of Economics (RISE) was established to create an environment for research and teaching that will enhance the role of Rice University as one of the leading institutions in the world for the study of economics. Learn about how RISE is preparing Rice students with the skills to become the next generation of world-class economists and decision-makers and is supporting faculty research on the design, selection and assessment of public policies that have the potential to influence society's greatest challenges at this dinner presentation in the home of Waverly Ford Peakes, M.D. '95 and Adam C. Peakes '95.

Date: Thursday, April 7, 2016

Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250



Marie Lynn Miranda Howard R. Hughes Provost Professor of Statistics Professor of Bioengineering Founding director, Children's Environmental Health Initiative

6. Children's Environmental Health

This conversation will explore how children's health and well-being are shaped by the places where they live, play and go to school. Although it is widely agreed that health and development are determined by multiple forces, surprisingly little is known about the interactions of those forces. Adverse environmental exposures often occur in communities facing multiple social stressors like deteriorating housing; inadequate access to health care; poor schools; and high unemployment, crime and poverty, all of which may compound the effects of environmental exposures. Miranda will discuss these important components of children's environmental health at this dinner hosted by Amy L. Sutton '89 and Gary Chiles '86 at divino Italian Restaurant.

Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2016

Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250



William "Bill" Fulton *Director, Kinder Institute for Urban Research*

7. 21st Century Houston

Throughout the 20th century, Houston succeeded as a city, in large part, by not being a conventional city. It was sprawling, low-density, auto-oriented, business-oriented and lightly regulated. Public investment tended to focus on business needs, not on neighborhoods and quality of life. Houston in the 21st century is much different. It is among the most ethnically diverse cities in the country. It is increasingly crowded and traffic congestion is growing fast. The economy is diversifying, but competition for young talent is growing among cities all over the country and the world. Houston can no longer take it for granted that young, smart people will move here to get a job. In short, Houston in the 21st century is becoming a different — and far more urban — place than it has ever been before. In order to make this transition successfully, Houston will have to confront — and successfully overcome — challenges the city and its people have never faced before. Y. Ping Sun and David Leebron will host this interesting discussion.

Date: Thursday, May 5, 2016

Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$350



Yael V. HochbergRalph S. O'Connor Associate Professor in Entrepreneurship
Head, Entrepreneurship Initiative, Jones Graduate School of Business

8. The Changing Nature of the Startup Ecosystem: Upstarts, Unicorns, the Crowd and the Cloud

How has the world of technology startups changed from the 1990s to today? Yael Hochberg will discuss the effects of cloud computing and crowd funding on how startups are created and financed today, as well as the business and financial market forces behind the emergence of multibillion dollar, privately held "unicorns" such as Uber, airbnb, Snapchat, Dropbox and Pinterest. The talk will be hosted by Leticia F. Trauber '86 and Stephen M. Trauber '84.

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2016Number of Guests: 12 ● Price per ticket: \$250







Wayne L. Graham *Head Baseball Coach, Rice University*

Joe Savery '08 *Major League Baseball Free Agent*

Tyler Henley '08Former Major League Baseball Player

9. Baseball: The Best Game in the World

Babe Ruth once said, "Baseball was, is and always will be to me the best game in the world." That sentiment is shared by most Americans. Join us for dinner with Rice University baseball coach Wayne Graham, Major League Baseball pitcher Joe Savery '08 and former St. Louis Cardinal Tyler Henley '08, for a discussion about their passion for America's pastime, their individual experiences and their careers in baseball. This talk for sports enthusiasts will be hosted by Geraldina Interiano Wise '83 and Scott W. Wise '71.

Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2016Number of Guests: 18 ● Price per ticket: \$350



Retired Brig. Gen. Tom Kolditz *Director, Doerr Institute for New Leaders*

10. Leadertainment — Why College Graduates Can't Lead

It seems that we are increasingly disappointed in the performance of leaders — in politics and government, in business and across sectors. We ask rhetorically, "Where did all the leaders go?" The answer: they went to college! Kolditz's talk will center on how people learn to lead, why most colleges and universities fall short of developing their students into competent, confident leaders, and what we're doing to place Rice at the leading edge of collegiate leader development. Harriet C. Latimer '56 and Truett Latimer will host this discussion about one of Rice's newest institutes.

Date: Wednesday, November 16, 2016Number of Guests: 16 ● Price per ticket: \$250



11. Victory!

Own this special commemorative painting of the 'dog pile' celebrating victory at the 2003 Rice Owls Championship game. Framed, the painting measures 44- by-32 inches. Donated by Elizabeth Gillis. *Value: Priceless*





(two views)

12. Championship Ball

Own a piece of Rice Owl sports history with this baseball autographed by the 2003 Rice Owls Championship baseball team. Donated by Susie '62 and Mel Glasscock '61.

Value: Priceless



13a. A Rare Find!

Early in his career, Wayne Graham played third base for the New York Mets under the leadership of Casey Stengel. With your winning bid, you can own this autographed Wayne Graham New York Mets WIZ card. Donated by Alan Shelby.

Value: \$100



13b. Wayne Graham at the Phillies

Early in his career, Wayne Graham also played for the Philadelphia Phillies under the leadership of Gene Mauch. Add this autographed Wayne Graham MLB Phillies (1963), Mets (1964) baseball card from the Larry Fritsch Cards One-Year Winners Set.

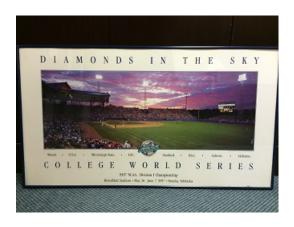
Donated by Alan Shelby.



14. At Bat

You will want to add this special piece of memorabilia to your Rice Owls baseball collection — a genuine Louisville Slugger baseball bat autographed by Coach Wayne Graham from his professional playing days! Donated by Alan Shelby.

Value: \$250



15. Rice National Championship Poster

Direct from the Woodson archives is this framed poster from 2003 Rice Owls National Championship. Donated by Woodson Research Center, it measures 36- by-20 inches framed.

Value: Priceless



16. Comiskey Park

Comiskey Park was home to the Chicago White Sox from 1910 through 1990 and hosted four World Series and more than 6,000 Major League Baseball games. It also was the site for the 1937 heavyweight title match in which Joe Louis defeated James J. Braddock in eight rounds. You can own a piece of history with your winning bid for this brick from Comiskey Park. Brick includes a plaque verifying its origins.



17. For the Birds

This handcrafted bird house made by Joe Clegg commemorates the 2003 Rice Owls Baseball National Championship. It is a perfect home for our feathered fans. Donated by Margaret '52 and Joe Clegg '51. *Value: Priceless*



18. Anthony Rendon Garden Gnomes

These two Anthony Rendon Garden Gnomes will be a great addition to your Rice baseball collection. Rendon, a former Rice Owl baseball player and winner of the 2010 Dick Howser Trophy, currently is an infielder for Major League Baseball's Washington Nationals. Donated by Catherine James.

Value: \$80



19. Flags of Valor

This handcrafted, rustic wooden flag was made by American combat veterans, many of whom are service disabled. This beautiful keepsake, measuring 42- by-22 inches, is suitable for your home, office, ranch or vacation home. Donated by a Friend of Fondren Library.



20. Metal Sculptures

These two metal sculptures can be used outdoors or indoors. The polished steel steer head sculpture, created by Ontario metalsmiths JBweldz, measures 36- by-16 inches. The rusted owl sculpture, made in the U.S., measures 6-by-10 inches. Either can be mounted almost anywhere — on top of a fence, a wall in your garden, a deck rail, a fireplace mantel or the top of a door, to name a few. Donated by Barbara Jenkins Gibbs, M.D. '73 and David K. Gibbs '71.

Value: \$100



21. Horned Owl in a Tree

This delightful painting of a horned owl sitting in a tree at night was donated by Ralph O'Connor. The signed painting measures 12- by-12 inches and is self-framed.

Value: \$250



22. Great Horned Owl in Flight

The Great Horned Owl is an original oil on board painting by naturalist painter and illustrator Todd Tealander. The custom-framed painting measures 39-by-27 inches. Donated by Ralph O'Connor.

Value: \$2,000



23. Colors by Karen Rogers

The colorful brush strokes of this set of three framed watercolors are crisp, bright and cheerful. Painted by Friends of Fondren Library past president and member extraordinaire Karen Hess Rogers, each measures approximately 13 wide inches by 17 inches tall. Donated by Karen Hess Rogers '68. *Value:* \$450



24. 'The Creole City of New Orleans'

Created by noted architect Nathaniel Cortlandt Curtis (1881–1953), this signed, hand-colored map of New Orleans is a composite view showing the original city and surrounding municipalities. Framed, the piece measures 24.5- by-31.5 inches. Copies of the map are part of the collections of the Library of Congress and the State Library of Louisiana. Donated by a Friend of Fondren Library. *Value:* \$350



25. A Collector's Map

This antique map featuring the Republic of Texas, California Nueva, California Vieja, Nueva Mexico and other northern states of Mexico was published by Chapman & Hall, 186 Strand, London, England on October 15, 1842 for the Society for Distribution of Useful Knowledge. Houston, Austin, San Antonio, El Paso and the Comanche Indians are listed. Donated by Mary Ellen '54 and Dick Wilson '52.

Value: \$500



26. Rusty Metal Decorative Owl

This finely detailed rusty metal owl has personality to spare. Standing 11 inches tall by 13 inches wide, this piece would become a treasured addition to your home or office. Donated by Mecox.

Value: \$150



27. Silver Circle

"Silver Circle" is an original acrylic painting on canvas. With frame, the work measures 26-by-30 inches. *Value:* \$800



28. Malachite Owl

With its intense green color and banded masses, this gorgeous malachite owl statue would fit well with any décor. The statue measures 3.5 inches wide by 7.5 inches tall. Donated by Ralph O'Connor.

Value: \$500



29. One Foggy Night

This 8-by-10 inch photo of North Boulevard on a foggy night was taken by Dan Cox. With frame, it measures 14.25-by-17.5 inches. Donated by a Friend of Fondren Library.

Value: \$100



30. Lovett Hall at Night

Printed on aluminum, this 14-by-11 inch photo of Lovett Hall at night was taken by Robert Flatt. With frame, it measures 23.5-by-19.5 inches. Donated by a Friend of Fondren Library.



31. Portrait of an Owl

This black and white, 11-by-14 inch photo of an owl was taken by William Kulek in 1974. Donated by the Woodson Research Center.

Value: \$100



32. Ethereal Majesty

Master photographer and Rice University professor Geoff Winningham captures the ethereal majesty of the morning on campus in this signed 10-by-8 inch photo, measuring 20-by-16 inches matted. Donated by Geoff Winningham '65.

Value: Priceless



33. A Vision for the Rice Institute

One of the first renderings of the Administration Building for the Rice Institute by architects Gram, Goodhue and Ferguson included a reflecting pond near the current location of Fondren Library. With your winning bid, you can take home a copy of the original watercolor rendering. Custom framed, it measures approximately 26.75-by-16.25 inches. Donated by Fondren Library.



34. The Rice Campus, circa 1920

See how much the Rice campus has changed since 1920 with this copy of a photo from the Woodson Research Center archives. Custom framed, it measures 9-by-48 inches. Donated by Fondren Library.

Value: \$300



35. Architecture at Rice

Read the story behind the architectural design of the Rice Institute with "Monograph 29: The General Plan of the William M. Rice Institute and Its Architectural Development," by Stephen Fox. Published in 1980, the monograph is a treasure trove of photographs and historical information about the building of Rice Institute. Donated by the Woodson Research Center.

Value: Priceless



36. Planning an Institute

You can own a copy of the plats that show the land for the site of The William Marsh Rice Institute and Rice acreage owned by the Institute in the area of Jefferson and Louisiana. Framed in acrylic, the plats measure 23.5- by-23.5 inches and 26-by-23.5 inches. Donated by Fondren Library.



37. Cups, Saucers and More

Have your morning coffee, hot cocoa or tea in a cup and saucer from Jones College. The set, in the blue J pattern, includes eight cups and saucers, a large sugar bowl and creamer. Donated by Karen Ostrum '77, '78 and Larry George.

Value: \$150



38. Rice Architecture

These four framed photos of Rice architectural features will add to the beauty of your study, den or office. Three measure 16.75-by-20.75 inches and one measures 20.75-by-16.75 inches with frames. Donated by the Woodson Research Center.

Value: \$400





39. Stay Up on World Affairs

Stay up to date on national and world affairs with this Baker Institute for Public Policy Roundtable Colleague Membership. You will receive invitations to a minimum of 12 Baker Institute member events with national and international leaders and dignitaries, an invitation to an annual members-only fall reception with Baker Institute fellows and scholars, complimentary policy reports and the institute's annual report, and complimentary parking at Baker Institute events. As a bonus, you will receive a copy of a limited-edition book commemorating James A. Baker, III on his 80th birthday. Donated by the Baker Institute for Public Policy. *Value:* \$1,250





40. A Reader's Delight

Enjoy this subscription for two for the Inprint's Margarett Root Brown Reading Series for the 2016-17 Season. Add to your reading pleasure this basket of books from Brazos Bookstore. Titles include "Wilberforce" by H.S. Cross, "The Houstorian Dictionary: An Insider's Index to Houston" by James Glassman, "Twenty Poems that Could Save America and Other Essays" by Tony Hoagland, "The Houstiliad" by Michael Lieberman, "One Plus One" by JoJo Moyes, "More Curious" by Sean Wilsey, "The Legacy of Rosa Luxemburg" by Norman Geras, "The Gardens of Kyoto" by Kate Walbert, "In Praise of Reading and Fiction: The Nobel Lecture" by Mario Vargas Llosa, "Under the Same Blue Sky" by Pamela Schoenewaldt, "A Sudden Light" by Garth Stein, "The Invention of Exile" by Vanessa Manko, "Sweet Forgiveness" by Lori Nelson Spielman, "Bittersweet" by Miranda Beverly-Whittemore and "The Coincidence of Coconut Cake" by Amy E. Reichert. Donated by Elizabeth H. Crowell '76 and Brazos Bookstore.

Value: \$627



41. Alvin Ailey Dance Theater

See one of the most eclectic and diverse dance companies in America with these four tickets for a performance of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater presented by the Society for Performing Arts Saturday, April 23, 2016, at 8 p.m. at Jones Hall. Package includes passes for a private Green Room reception before the performance, two valet parking passes and a bottle of Veuve Clicquot Champagne. Donated by Phoebe and Bobby Tudor '82 and a Friend of Fondren Library.

Value: \$510



GLOBAL Inspiration, CLASSICAL Innovation

42. Apollo Chamber Players

Enjoy these two tickets for two concerts, "Croatian Connections" on Sunday, April 3 and "Cuba Libre" on Sunday, May 22 at 6 p.m., by the Apollo Chamber Players in the new Midtown Arts and Theatre Center Houston (MATCH). The 2015-2016 concert season, Blurred Boundaries: Oppression to Expression, explores the folkloric and cultural music of Texas, Croatia and Cuba and of African-American and Jewish composers. Also included is a copy of their award-winning debut album, "European Folkscapes" After the concert, enjoy dinner with friends with these two \$50 gift cards from Grace's Restaurant on Upper Kirby. Donated by Apollo Chamber Players and Grace's Restaurant.



43. An Evening at the Symphony

Enjoy an evening at the Houston Symphony with these four premium orchestra tickets to the Houston Symphony's performance of Rachmaninoff's Symphonic Dances on your choice of dates — either March 31, April 2 or April 3, 2016. Valet parking and patron donor lounge passes are included. Toast a perfect evening with a bottle of Goldbelly Barrel Reserve Chardonnay. Donated by Houston Symphony and a Friend of Fondren Library.

Value: \$580



44. Ode to Joy!

You will be joyous when you use these four premium tickets to the Saturday, May 14, 2016 performance of Beethoven's glorious "Ninth Symphony" by Mercury, The Orchestra Redefined at the Wortham Center in down-town Houston. After the concert, attend a reception in the Green Room, where you will enjoy a glass of wine. As a bonus, you will also receive three CD recordings by Mercury Orchestra. Donated by Stephen Wallace '68.

Value: \$400





45. A Divinely-Inspired Evening

Enjoy a heavenly evening with dinner and a concert. Start with dinner at divino Italian Restaurant with this \$200 gift card. Then attend "An Easter Messiah" Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hobby Center for the Performing Arts with these two tickets from Grammy-nominated Ars Lyrica Houston. Finish the evening with a postconcert reception at Artista Restaurant. Donated by Ars Lyrica and Bess '82 and Matt Wareing '81.

Value: \$320



46. The New Alley Theater

Experience the newly remodeled Alley Theater with these two tickets for two main stage performances during the 2015-2016 season. Celebrate the evening with a bottle of Goldbelly Barrel Reserve Chardonnay and a bottle of Monticello Vineyards Pinot Noir. Donated by the Alley Theater and a Friend of Fondren Library. *Value:* \$400





47. Dinner and a Show

Have a delicious dinner at Pregos, Hugos, Caracol Restaurant or Backstreet Café with this \$100 gift card, then enjoy a night out at the theater with these two tickets for any one MainStage performance at Main Street Theater. Donated by Jeff Ross '75 and Main Street Theater.

Value: \$172



48. Stark Naked Theatre Company

Channel your inner Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor with these two sets of two tickets for "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf" to be used March 5-26. Make a toast to the greats of the theater world with this bottle of Edradour Scotch Whisky and four bourbon glasses. Donated by Stark Naked Theatre and a Friend of Fondren Library.

Value: \$186



49. An Evening at the Theater

Invite your friends to join you for an evening at the theater with this gift certificate for 10 tickets for one Stages Repertory Theatre's production during its 2015-2016 season. Use of the Impresario Lounge for up to 30 guests is included. Tickets are subject to availability and must be reserved through the box office at least 30 days in advance. Donated by Stages Repertory Theatre.

Value: \$750

Theater LaB Houston

50. Two for Two

Enjoy two performances at Theater LaB Houston with two tickets to "52 Pick Up" in February 2016 and two tickets to "Winifred" in May 2016. This package includes a bottle of Brookdale Vineyards 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon and two wine glasses. As a bonus, enjoy a meal before the show with these two \$25 gift cards from Mia's Table. Donated by Theater LaB Houston, Mia's Table and a Friend of Fondren Library.



51. Go 'Stros!

Cheer on the Astros for one game during the 2016 season with these four Diamond Club seats with early access to view batting practice. Dinner, nonalcoholic beverages and a parking pass are included. Must book date by July 1, 2016; some restrictions apply. Donated by the Houston Astros.

Value: \$1,830





52. Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Root, root for the home team — the Houston Astros — with these four tickets located in Section 116 to an Astros baseball game in 2016 donated by Amy Sutton '89 and Gary Chiles '86. Stop by Plate & Bottle in the Rice Village area before or after the game for a glass or wine or craft beer with this \$50 gift card. Dates for the game to be mutually agreed on.

Value: \$318





53. Choice Seats for a Rice Home Game

Sit in the third row right behind home plate with these four tickets for a 2016 Rice home baseball game of choice. Enjoy dinner before or after the game with this \$100 gift certificate for The Raven Grill. As a bonus, you will receive an official Rice Owls ornament. Donated by Catherine James and Amy Dunn and Robert Taylor '74. *Value: \$300*



54. Batting Practice at Reckling Park

Ever wondered what it would be like to step up to the plate and bat at beautiful Reckling Park? Swing away on the same field as the Owls, a unique experience taking batting practice from the Owls coaching staff for a group of up to 15 people. The mutually agreed date of the session, to last approximately 90 minutes, will be scheduled during the off-season. Must be completed within 12 months (expires January 22, 2017). Donated by Rice Owls baseball.

Value: Priceless



55. Shoot for the Stars!

Enjoy one round of sporting clays or skeet for two people with Judge Katherine Cabaniss at the Greater Houston Gun Club. Dates to be mutually agreed and scheduled through Judge Cabaniss. After your outing, enjoy dinner with this \$100 gift card from Carrabba's Italian Grill on Kirby.

Value: \$500



56. Fore for Four!

Rice alumnus Clif Crabtree '73 will host 18 holes of golf for four people at Houston's distinguished Lochinvar Golf Club designed and perfected by golfing legend Jack Nicklaus. Set in a natural wooded environment with 58 strategically placed bunkers, each and every hole presents a new set of challenges to the golfer's skills. *Value:* \$1,000



57. Lunch with a Master

Join Ira Gruber, the Harris Masterson Jr. Professor Emeritus of History and research professor at Rice, for lunch with American golfing legend Jack Burke, Jr. at the beautiful Champions Golf Club. Burke won the U.S. Open in 1955 and the Masters® Tournament and the PGA Championship in 1956, following two Ryder Cup victories in 1951. He was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 2000 and won the PGA Tour Lifetime Achievement Award in 2003 and the Bob Jones Award in 2004. Burke shares his permanent locker at Augusta National Golf Club, home of the Masters in Augusta, Georgia, with Tiger Woods. In more recent years, Burke has continued to coach and mentor many professional golfers. Date to be mutually agreed date on. Donated by Ira Gruber. *Value: \$250 per person/2 spaces available*



58. A Taste of Texas

Texas treats await you with this basket of homegrown goodies, including a bottle of 1835 brand Texas Bourbon, a bottle of Perdernales wine, wild honey, sauces, jellies, candied pecans, and a Texas oven mitt - topped off with a pecan pie from Goode Company. Donated by a Friend of Fondren Library.

Value: \$175



59. Texas Tamale Company

With your winning bid, you will receive a one-year supply of tamales from the Texas Tamale Company. They will deliver four dozen tamales per month for 12 months to the *delivery address of your choice*. Keep them all or share them with a family member or friend! Donated by Texas Tamale Company.



60. A Special Treat - Turley Wines

The stars of this wine basket are two bottles of Turley wine—a 2013 Cedarman Zinfandel and and a Turley 2013 Old Vines Zinfandel. Cedarman is a proprietary blend of fruit from both Rattlesnake Ridge and Dragon Vineyards, located at the top of Howell Mountain in Napa Valley. Although primarily Zinfandel, the vintner uses a small amount of Petite Syrah from the Rattlesnake vineyard as well. The result is a truly powerful, dense and wild wine, long on flavor. Dark fruit and wild spice on the nose, while the palate is full, feral but well-rounded and well-structured. Old Vines is composed of a variety of old sites from California that are either too small to be made into a vineyard designate wine or are "new" to the Turley family (and way of farming). Vines are anywhere from 41 to 129 years old, and a true representation of California old vine Zinfandel, hailing from vineyards in Napa, Sonoma, Mendocino, Lodi, Contra Costa, Amador and Paso Robles. Dark fruit, berries, and earth on the nose; medium-bodied, with spice and well-balanced acidity on the palate. A wine with this kind of concentrated texture can only come from truly old vines! The basket also includes cheeses, duck foie gras, specialty crackers, jams, candies, Italian dry salami, peppered salami and sopressata. Donated by Kristin N. Necessary '01.

Value: \$277



61. ¡Muy Delicioso!

Invite your family and friends to join you for a muy delicioso chicken and beef fajita dinner for 20 at Armandos, a favorite River Oaks Tex-Mex restaurant. Valid Sunday or Monday night only and excludes beverages, appetizers, desserts and gratuity. Donated by Armandos.

Value: \$400



62. Classic Creole Cuisine in the Heart of the French Quarter

Enjoy the quintessential New Orleans dining experience at Arnaud's. Located just steps off of Bourbon Street in the heart of the French Quarter, Arnaud's offers classic Creole Cuisine and exemplary service in beautifully restored turn of the century dining rooms. Listen to Live Dixieland Jazz in the Jazz Bistro, have cocktails in the award winning French 75 Bar or enjoy fine dining. It will be an evening to remember. Donated by Arnaud's Restaurant.



63. In-town Getaway

Getaway from it all for an overnight stay on either a Friday or Saturday night at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Houston. Breakfast and valet parking are included. As a bonus, enjoy a bottle of Veuve Clicquot Champagne and two champagne flutes. Donated by the Crowne Plaza Hotel and a Friend of Fondren Library. *Value: \$275*



64. Mirror, Mirror

This elegant, classical gilt mirror features an urn centered at the top with flowers and leaves cascading over the sides. With frame, the mirror measures 27-by-45 inches. Donated by Nancy B. Shelby. *Value: \$500*



65. Historic Candlesticks

You can own this pair of heavy silver-plate reproduction candlesticks by Gorham with your winning bid. One of the original candlesticks, made between 1755-60 by Myer Myers (1723-1795), a silversmith and goldsmith in 18th-century New York City, is owned by the New York City Metropolitan Museum. The overall dimensions of each candlestick are approximately 10.2 inches by 5.5 inches. Donated by Nancy B. Shelby.



66. Wine Accessories

Something everyone needs for entertaining — a crystal carafe, a silver heart-shaped bottle stopper by Brighton and an insulated red satin wine cover, plus a bottle of 2009 Neal Family Vineyards Petite Syrah. Donated by Judge Katherine Cabaniss and a Friend of Fondren Library.

Value: \$185



67. Crystal Elegance

These two Waterford Crystal decanters, with sterling silver bottle tags (scotch and bourbon), will be an elegant addition to your home. Donated by Nancy B. Shelby.

Value: \$230



68. Waterford

These six Waterford Crystal Lismore pattern water goblets are perfect for elegant entertaining. Each is 6 7/8 inches tall. Donated by a Friend of Fondren Library.



69. Antique Thimbles

Each of the six thimbles in this collection is unique. Two have their original boxes from the jewelry stores where they were purchased. Five of the six appear to be silver and one has a gold look. Collected by a friend of the donor's mother, all are in pristine condition. The estimated age of each is between 100-120 years. Donated by Kristine Wallace.

Value: \$200



70. Texas History

Read about colorful characters and events in Texas history with these four highly collectible books: "Shanghai Pierce: A Fair Likeness" by Chris Emmett (First Edition), "Charles Goodnight: Cowman and Plainsman" by J. Evetts Haley, "Spindletop" by James A. Clarke and Michel T. Halbouty (First Printing, signed by both authors) and "The XIT Ranch of Texas" by J. Evetts Haley (signed by the author). Add this pair of grey marble owl bookends to complete this special collection. Donated by Margaret '52 and Joe Clegg '51 and the Woodson Research Center.

Value: \$1,050



71. Taika Owl Platter by Iittala

Taika, the Finnish word for magic, aptly describes the beauty of this Iittala Taika porcelain platter. Inspired by traditional Scandinavian motifs, the owl amongst the branches pattern, inspired by traditional Scandinavian motifs, was designed by Klaus Haapaniemi and Heikki Orvola. With the right bid and a little magic, you can own this special piece. Donated by Sunset Settings, Inc./Carolyn Brewer '58 and Barbara McKittrick '60. (Image shown is representative of the design, not the actual auction item.)



72. For Your Photos

Frame your holiday photos with this collection of 3 Roma Silver Photoframes (8-by-10, 5-by-7 and 4-by-6) donated by Hollywood Frame Gallery.

Value: \$250



73. Tick Tock

This vintage owl clock, once owned by Malcolm Gillis, is a rare find – and it still keeps time! It would make great gift for a Rice alumnus or a future student. Donated by Elizabeth Gillis. Value: \$100





74. Roseville Pottery

This charming Roseville Pine Cone cornucopia vase in mint condition features a lovely golden brown semi-matte glaze. The vase measures 5.25 inches tall by 6 inches wide. Donated by The Honorable Letitia Paul.



75. Accessories for Your Home

This woven seagrass log basket and linen owl pillow will be attractive additions to your home. The basket measures 16.75 inches in diameter and is 15.5 inches high. The pillow is 18 inches square. Donated by Mecox and Three Doors.

Value: \$507



76. More Accessories for Your Home

This trio of parchment books and magnifying glass, onyx clock and a glass owl paperweight will be beautiful additions to your home or office. Donated by Lam Bespoke, Margaret and Joe Clegg and Becky O'Connor. Value: \$255

Miao Textiles (Items 77 and 78)

The Miao people, an ethnic Chinese minority who are well-known for their highly developed sewing skills, made these beautiful textiles. In the absence of a written language, motifs — such as the butterfly, the chrysanthemum flower, the dragon and the spiral — that evolved over generations are employed for their symbolic meanings. Among the most visually expressive articles of embroidered clothing are the baby carriers, and there are two good reasons for this. One is that they serve to advertise — to potential partners in marriage — the skill, imagination and perseverance of the young women who create them. The second is that they are replete with symbols and imagery that are deemed important to the well-being and future fortunes of the children who will ride in them. Donated by Elizabeth and Albert Kidd '64.





(close up of detail work)

77. Textile One

Rectangular shape design with red and gold bordered in black is suitable for framing or can be made into a pillow.



78. Textile TwoAntique baby carrier with shades of red, mauve, black and taupe is suitable for framing. *Value \$300*



79. A Splash of Color

Brighten your wardrobe with this trio of items — a gold Vaughn suede slouchy tote crafted from Soho NoSpot Suede, exclusively made in Italy and known for its waterproof properties and softness; a Michel Muylle Pro Libertate Arts "Hymn to Color" silk scarf; and a triple strand stone necklace. Donated by J. McLaughlin, Village Gifts and Jewelry, and Michel Muylle.

Value: \$703



80. In Style

You will be right in style with this beautiful "Wander with Love" tote by Cleobella from the Calypso boutique, Judith Lieber sunglasses in red with case and red beaded bracelet. The tote is made of soft black leather with fringe trim and a centersnap; the inside is sueded leather and includes a zippered pocket in front of a deep open-top pocket. Donated by Melinda Snell, Unique Optica and à bientôt.

Value: \$1,000



MARIQUITA MASTERSON

81. A 'Master' Piece

Mariquita Masterson is renowned for her beautiful glass, vermeil and silver jewelry — each a work of art in its own right. With this gift certificate, you can shop for your own "master" piece. Donated by Mariquita Masterson. *Value:* \$300



82. Pretty in Blue

You will love this luxurious, soft reversible cashmere shawl in blue and sand and inspired in design by Jaipur from J. McLaughlin. Accessorize it with this "Rayne" necklace and "Alex" earrings, both in navy cat's eye, from Kendra Scott. Donated by Melinda Snell and Kendra Scott.

Value: \$470



83. Mystical Topaz

This elegant pendant and choker designed by Jewelry by Deborah will look great with anything. The large mystical topaz pendant is set in a finely detailed 925 sterling silver setting; the .25 bezel is uniquely designed. The pendant fits onto gorgeous silver-plated choker. Donated by Shelley J. Gottschalk.



84. Simply Stunning

Look stunning in this dark taupe and subtle grey rose pattern V-neck tunic top designed by Clemente from Joni (size small). Wear it alone or pair it with this beautiful aurora borealis crystal necklace and earring set designed by Jewelry by Deborah. The 34-inch necklace can worn as a single strand or doubled to two 17-inch strands. It is composed of 90 10mm beads spaced with 12mm gold and black foiled beads and has a 925 sterling silver clasp. The matching earrings are on 999 sterling silver wires. Donated by Joni Women's Clothing and Shelley J. Gottschalk.

Value: \$235



85. Jewelry for Her

Add this beautiful Claudia Lobão-designed fringe bracelet and earring set to your jewelry collection. They will be favorites for many years to come. Donated by Claudia Lobão Designs.

Value: \$580



86. For Him

You will look your best in a pair of Bills Khakis® original twill pants from The Village Clothier and Pro Libertate Arts "Hymn to Color" silk men's necktie designed by Houston artist, Michel Muylle. Donated by The Village Clothier and Michel Muylle.



87. Baseball Cufflinks

Astros fans will want to own this pair of Houston Astros authentic game baseball cufflinks which were crafted from a Major League Baseball authenticated game-used Houston Astros baseball and set in sterling silver. Officially licensed by Major League Baseball, a tamper-evident hologram sticker is adhered to each cufflink to ensure authenticity. This item comes gift-boxed with an authentication card. Donated by More Than You Can Imagine.

Value: \$188



88. Watch and Accessories Case

Stow your favorite watches, bracelets, jewelry and accessories in this beautiful lacquered "steel gray" wooden case with a glass top. The case is lined with velour and has a locking clasp and silver accents. Donated by More Than You Can Imagine.

Value: \$200



89. Owl Cufflinks

Show your Owl spirit on any occasion with these rhodium-plated owl cufflinks donated by More Than You Can Imagine.



90. From Head to Toe

Pamper yourself from head to toe with this \$150 gift card for hair services from Studio 3—The Salon and this Homedics massager, donated by a Friend of Fondren Library. You will look and feel great! *Value:* \$200



91. Houston Hoops

See the Houston Rockets play the Portland Trail Blazers at Toyota Center on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 4 p.m. with these four tickets in a great location! Parking pass included.

Value: \$900

92. Designer Dress by JioZei

You will love this beautiful pink floral organza dress in size 6 designed by JioZei Reyes. The sleeveless dress features bow closures at the shoulders and a lined, pleated full skirt.

Value: \$1,553

Items listed as of print deadline.

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Proceeds from the annual gala are used to continue the mission of Friends of Fondren Library to improve library resources, equipment and facilities for the benefit of the Rice University community.