

## SILENT AUCTION 2007

With the League's 2007 Silent Auction, everyone is a winner! Members and friends are once again invited to participate in the League's biennial event held in conjunction with the League of Women Voters of New York State Convention. Your bid can win you extraordinary items, and the LWVNYS Education Foundation benefits. There are dozens of items to entice you. The items will be posted on our website so that you can bid even if you are not able to attend convention. A paper catalog will be available upon request by calling the LWVNYS office at 518-465-4162.

### BIDDING

How the bidding works – The auction will be held by mail, e-mail, fax, and of course, at the Convention. You do not need to be present to bid. Please feel free to bid on as many items as you wish.

**Mail, e-mail, or fax bids must be received by 5 p.m., Monday, May 14, 2007.** The highest bids received by the close of the mail, e-mail, fax period will become the opening bids at noon, Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007 when bidding will take place in person at the Convention. All items will be on display at Convention as follows:

Friday, May 18, 2007	12 noon - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 19, 2007	8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. 10:00 p.m. - <b>11:00 p.m. BIDDING CLOSED</b>
<b>Sunday, May 20, 2007</b>	<b>8:00 a.m. WINNERS WILL BE POSTED AT THE REGISTRATION DESK</b> <b>8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. PICK-UP</b> <b>1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. PICK-UP</b>

To be absolutely sure of winning an item, you should either bid the "ultimate bid" or come in person to the Convention where you can continue to raise your bid if you wish. All items will remain open (unless we receive the "ultimate bid") for additional in-person bidding until the close of the Silent Auction at 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND MONEY WITH YOUR BID.**

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

The names of winners will be posted at the LWVNYS Registration Desk at the Crowne Plaza in White Plains on Sunday, May 20, 2007 by 8:00 a.m. Items may be paid for by credit card, money order, and personal check or with cash (at Convention only.) All items must be paid in full before being claimed.

You need not be present to win! If you are a winner, but you are not present at the Convention, you will be notified by mail, e-mail or telephone and your item will be mailed to you after payment is received. Shipping and handling charges will be added.

The fair market "value" for the items in the Silent Auction have been set by the donors who receive credit up to the value listed. You are entitled to a tax deduction for the amount paid over and above the stated value of the item.

## **SILENT AUCTION PROCEDURES**

**Bidding Instructions:** Please take note of the opening bid and the ultimate bid for each item. If you are mailing, e-mailing or faxing your bid, please make sure you write your Bid Amount, Item #, Item Name, Your Name, Address, Telephone Number and Local League. If you are bidding at Convention, please write Your Name, League, Telephone Number, and Bid Amount on the bid card.

**Ultimate Bid:** If you wish to be certain that you win an item, you may bid the “ultimate” bid listed for an item. If you are the first to do so, bidding stops and you are the winner.

**Tax Deductibility:** The amount that your bid exceeds the fair market value of the goods and services you received will be considered a tax-deductible donation to the LWVNYS Education Foundation.

**All Bids Are Final:** Submitting your bid via mail, e-mail, fax, or in-person is a contract to purchase.

**All Sales Are Final:** Out of consideration to our generous donors, there are no returns or exchanges.

**Dated Items:** Some items are valid only during certain dates and times. It is the responsibility of the winner to note the restrictions that appear on the certificate, and to contact the donor where appropriate.

If you are bidding in person at Convention, please arrange to take your winning items once the winners are announced. The committee will release the items to the winners who present a paid receipt at the time of their departure.

**Payment Terms:** We accept cash (at Convention only), charge cards (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express) and personal checks, which are to be made out to the LWVNYS Education Foundation.

**Unclaimed Items:** The LWVNYS will not be responsible for items unclaimed at the end of Convention.

**Auction Bidding Coupons:** You may make copies of the Auction Bidding Coupons for multiple bids.

**THANK YOU! GOOD LUCK AND ENJOY!**

**MAIL, E-MAIL OR FAX BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED  
BY 5:00 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 14, 2007!**

**Auction Bidding Coupon**

Bid Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Item #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Item: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Local League: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOUR WAYS TO PLACE A BID:**

- 1. Mail to LWVNYS EF, 62 Grand Street, Albany, New York 12207**  
**\*\*Please write "SILENT AUCTION BID" on the envelope**
- 2. E-Mail to [lwvny@lwvny.org](mailto:lwvny@lwvny.org)**  
**\*\*Please write "SILENT AUCTION BID" in the Subject Line**
- 3. Fax to 518-465-0812**  
**\*\*Please write "SILENT AUCTION BID" on your fax cover sheet**
- 4. In person at the 52<sup>nd</sup> biennial Convention on May 18 & 19<sup>th</sup>, 2007.**