

Marcia Turner is hard at work, planning a beautiful **Hunt Ball for March 18**. Invitations will be going out soon. If you would like one sent to a possible attendee, please contact her with their address. We want all of our Members to take part and to invite friends.

**I am Chair of the Silent Auction committee again this year, and I look forward to hearing from you, regarding donations.**

We welcome items in many categories, in all price ranges. We love it when friends gather and offer a unique experience, service or item. Offers could include: a boat ride with picnic lunch, a sporting clays lesson, a S'mores campfire night, a flower arranging afternoon, a Margarita and taco party, a golf day, or a chance to fish in your pond--be creative!

Jewelry, artwork, antiques, home furnishings and horse items always generate excitement.

Do you have a special skill? Offer to introduce someone to it! Undoubtedly, you will find folks who are interested in it, too.

Gift certificates for professional services, beauty treatments, restaurants and fun activities are wonderful. Please ask businesses and individuals for donations. It's a great way for their business to receive more exposure.

Services like: trailer washing, horse clipping, house sitting or tack cleaning are popular, and something that does not take money to donate.

**Volunteers are essential to the success of the Ball and Auction.**

The last two weeks prior to the Ball are especially busy. I am asking for additional help during the weeks before the Auction, to collect donations, prep the items, create Gift Certificates for activities, and plan the displays. Last year, I had the week before the Ball off from work, and spent over 50 hours on the Auction. This year I am not able to do that.

We need lots of helping hands on Friday before the Ball, with decorating the hall and setting up for the Auction. We also require

help on Monday after the Ball, with getting everything taken down and put away.

Please contact me regarding the Auction at 586 914-5802 or my e-mail address: [michelle1mortier@gmail.com](mailto:michelle1mortier@gmail.com).

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Thank you for your participation!

Sincerely,

Michelle Mortier