

# 2023 TREE FARM *Auction* & SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT



The Alabama Tree Farm Committee is preparing to hold its annual Silent Auction in conjunction with the AFA Annual Meeting, September 10-12, 2023. The Silent Auction has always been Tree Farm's largest fundraiser, with proceeds going to promote Alabama's Tree Farm program and serve Tree Farmers throughout the state. Last year's auction and raffle raised over \$8,000.00 for our state program. We are pleased to announce that our Tree Farm Committee has recently voted to use a portion of this year's auction proceeds to fund two \$1,000.00 Forestry Scholarships. To be eligible, students must be a child, grandchild or dependent of a Tree Farm landowner or active Tree Farm inspector and must be registered to attend an accredited two- or four-year forestry program in the state of Alabama.

The committee is seeking donations of items or funds for the purchase of bid items. We would love to have Alabama-made items that come from all parts of the state. Please contact local craftsmen in your area. We will advertise his/her business alongside the item, and publish a list of auction items along with the crafter's contact information for meeting participants. Donations are tax deductible. Auction items can be delivered to the AFA office or brought to Annual Meeting. All items will be stored in a secure room prior to the auction. If you plan to bring your donated items with you, please contact us with a description and approximate value so that we can document the items and arrange to receive them.

## *Examples of items to donate include:*

- FORESTRY RELATED ITEMS (CHAINSAWS, ANTIQUE FORESTRY/LOGGING TOOLS, ETC.)
- TRAVEL PACKAGES (HUNTING, FISHING, BEACH, OTHER LEISURE)
- HUNTING/FISHING ITEMS (RODS, REELS, TACKLE, GAME CAMERAS, ETC)
- SPORTS GAME TICKETS
- WALL ART (PAINTINGS, DRAWINGS, PHOTOS)
- HAND CRAFTED GIFT ITEMS (WOOD, POTTERY, GLASS, METAL, TEXTILE ITEMS ETC.)
- FURNITURE (WOOD BENCHES, ADIRONDACK CHAIRS, TABLES, ETC.)
- JEWELRY
- YARD ART (BIRD BATHS, BIRDHOUSES, PLANTERS, ETC.)
- SERVICES (SPA, LANDSCAPING, FINE DINING)
- PLANTS (GIFT CERTIFICATES TO NURSERIES ETC.)



To donate items or funds, please contact the Alabama Tree Farm Program at [treefarm@alaforestry.org](mailto:treefarm@alaforestry.org) or 334-481-2149.

**Alabama Forestry Association Annual Meeting**

September 10-12 ,2023

**Alabama Tree Farm Auction**

EMAIL: corear@alaforestry.org

PHONE: 334-481-2149

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash donation enclosed in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to purchase a bid item

Please make check payable to: Alabama Tree Farm

\*Item(s) being donated:

Item	Value	Minimum Suggested Bid	Will you bring item to the auction or ship to AFA prior to the meeting?

**Items should be shipped to:**  
Alabama Tree Farm Committee  
555 Alabama Street  
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

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**\*\*All donated items are tax deductible\*\***