



Fellow Toastmasters,

Our annual District Conference, to be held at Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6121 N. IH 35, Austin, on April 12-14, 2019, is approaching fast. We are planning a silent Auction to offset some of the cost for this event, and we are asking you to please help!

We are asking every club in District 55 to donate items and/or services for the Silent Auction to be held during the Conference. All items should be new and of value to entice conference attendees to place bids. Each item will be sold to the highest bidder.

Examples of Items to donate are:

- Art pieces
- Gift baskets, flower arrangements
- Car Wash service, gasoline gift cards
- Restaurant and Store gift cards
- Tools, Kitchenware, electronics
- Jewelry
- Books, movies, music CDs
- Bath & body products, etc.

The top three highest revenue generating clubs will receive awards as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place award is a \$100.00 Visa gift card
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place award is a \$75.00 Visa gift card
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place award is a \$50.00 Toastmasters International (TI) gift certificate

The division generating the highest revenue will receive \$120.00 in TI gift certificates to be distributed to the winning division and area directors.

Attached are a bid sheet for you to fill out for each donation and a form to be issued by the club president or treasurer to donors for tax purposes. Donors will be recognized at the Conference.

We need to receive the donations **no later than April 4**. If you are unable to attend the conference and wan to donate, please notify us by e-mail, or call 512-565-1649, **no later than April 2** to make arrangements for donation pick up.

We deeply appreciate all you can do to contribute to the success of the conference and thank you for your generosity! If you have any questions, please e-mail or call.

Sincerely,

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