Silent Auction Items Needed

The Silent Auction is held in Exhibit Hall at the PCPA Annual Conference at Seven Springs – it begins Tuesday and closes Wednesday when Exhibit Hall closes. All winners will be announced at the Thursday Awards Luncheon.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO BUILD THE PCP PAC!

The Pennsylvania Community Providers Political Action Committee's (PCP PAC) Silent Auction, a staple of the conference exhibit hall, needs your help! Raising funds through the auction allows the PAC to continue to build throughout the year. If you or your agency/organization would like to donate an item(s) to the Silent Auction, please contact Melissa DiSanto Simmons, director of legislative affairs, at melissa@paproviders.org or by calling or faxing the numbers listed above by September 22.

To donate an item, the following information is needed: brief description, the entity donating the item(s) (i.e., your organization alone, your organization in conjunction with an area business, you personally, etc.), the estimated value/retail cost of the item, the opening bid you would like placed on the item, and the minimum amount you will accept to have your item auctioned. All donated items (other than perishables) should be at the PCPA office by September 29. If you need to make other arrangements, please contact Ms. Simmons. A contribution form is attached.

In recent years the most successful items are those indigenous to cities, counties, or regions of the state (i.e., wines, chocolates, sports tickets, quilts, etc.); donated by businesses in member areas or vendors with whom members work; or autographed by athletes, artists, entertainers, etc. to whom members have connections. If you have other ideas for PAC solicitations please feel free to discuss those with Ms. Simmons. Items should initially be priced at approximately 20 percent below retail value. The hope is to receive in excess of the retail value (sometimes double!) for the donated item, as all proceeds go towards a worthy cause.

The Silent Scramble continues for its second year as part of the Silent Auction, enabling conferees to purchase tickets and place one or all tickets in a box to bid on items. Auction items that can be “won” via ticket will be noted by the ticket boxes placed with them. Purchasers must retain the other half of tickets bought to match them with drawn winning tickets.

Winners will be announced during the Thursday Awards Luncheon. If you will not be present Thursday and you are a potential winner, see Ms. Simmons Wednesday evening or have a designee ready for Thursday (including making sure the designee has your tickets, if applicable).