



WVAOP 2019 Annual Congress

"Christi's Charity Silent Auction"

On Friday, November 1, 2019 from 6:00 to 9:00pm, the WVAOP and the Paraoptometric Section Committee will host the annual "*Christi's Charity Silent Auction*" during the Exhibitor's Trade Show at Embassy Suites in Charleston, WV. The auction's proceeds have been donated to different vision charities in memory of Christi McIntosh.



Christi was a fellow paraoptometric who worked in Optometry for more than 20 years and spent many years working to provide continuing education for WV Paraoptometrics before she lost her battle with cancer on March 15, 2010. This auction has risen over \$2,000 annually for vision charities thanks to sales representatives, businesses, optometrists and their families, and paraoptometrics, who participated in donating and bidding. The funds are now being donated annually to the West Virginia Association of Optometric Physicians Foundation.

The Paraoptometric Section Committee invites you to get involved by donating an item or theme basket in memory of Christi McIntosh. Some past donations have been baskets or packages with themes like WVU/Marshall, candles, golf accessories including greens fees, Vera Bradley accessories, "travel" baskets with free overnight stays and amenities, spa goodies, movie night, wine and other spirits, tea and coffee themes, etc. It's easy to get the whole office involved. Have each employee bring one item pertaining to a chosen theme with a set dollar amount, and then package everything in a fun basket or container.

If you would like to donate something for the auction, **please mail it before October 1, 2019** to:

Mrs. Belinda Coberly
c/o Eyeworks, LLC
1506 Harrison Avenue
Elkins, WV 26241

If you would rather bring your auction donations with you to conference you may drop them off at the registration desk located in the Salon Foyer with your office information, a list of items and/or basket name and contents and the donation's estimated value so we may prepare signs for them.

Don't forget to bring some extra cash, checks or credit cards with you to the auction. We hope to beat last year's totals and you can help us do that by donating baskets and/or auction items and bidding on your favorites in memory of Christi McIntosh.

We hope to see you there!

WVAOP Paraoptometric Section Committee