

Shelburne Library holding Silent Auction and Book Sale fundraiser

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The Shelburne Public Library is hosting its annual Silent Auction on Nov. 25 to raise funds to expand its book collection.

Local businesses and community members have contributed over 150 items, from original paintings to homemade baked goods. Donations are accepted until the day of the event. Bidding ends at 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 25.

"The silent auction is to bring together community members in support of the library, specifically to dedicate funds to enhancing the library collections," said Rose Dotten, library CEO and lead organizer for the auction.

A frequent standout auction item is the Book Baskets, which Dotten describes as curated "works of art." Getting the attention of other libraries, the baskets are a testament to the Shelburne Library's commitment to literature.

"The funds are used exclusively to enhance our collection," said Dotten. "Although we have a budget supported by all our municipalities, sometimes there are new resources, and especially the electronic ones, that it helps to have the extra funds with which to purchase them."

Shelburne residents are invited to indulge in the silent auction festivities, bid generously, and help the library grow. As the Shelburne Library prepares for another Silent Auction and Book Sale, the community is reminded that it is more than just an event; it is a celebration of community spirit, shared values, and a dedication to the library's continued success.

"Because we are so generously supported by the donations and the purchase of the donated items, we are truly appreciative of whatever the final outcome is," Dotten said of her expectations.

"We know that people also purchase with generous spirits because they are supporting the library and also because they value the items and the thought that went into the particular donation."

If you are interested in donating to the Shelburne Public Library, contact Dotten at rdotten@shelburnelibrary.ca.