



Consignment Auction Notice

Next consignment auction closes November 7

Consignments accepted October 10–16, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day

Policy and Schedule Update

As we prepare for a new year, we are reviewing our schedule, policies, and procedures to determine what is working well and what needs to change. We learn from every live and online event, and we continue to make improvements for both buyers and sellers.

Because our staff is small and our schedule is busy, we must follow consignment and viewing hours more strictly. These limits give us the uninterrupted time needed to inventory items accurately, prepare each auction, and ensure that every consignor is paid correctly.

Why Scheduled Access Matters

Items must be inventoried and marked before the public looks through them. When items are moved—even a few inches—it can become difficult to determine which consignor they belong to. Unscheduled visitors also interrupt photography and inventory work. If this happens only 10 to 12 times in a month, it can still result in five to six hours of lost productivity.

If you have to arrive outside posted hours, please call to schedule an appointment before entering or handling merchandise.

Auction Preparation and Intake Timing

Preparing an auction requires us to take thousands of photographs, inventory and enter hundreds of lots, and try to still allow two weeks for advertising. After each auction, we also need about a week to clear and reset the shop before the next intake period. We try to be easy to work with regarding pick up days but we do not have space to store items. Consignment auctions close on scheduled Saturdays beginning at noon.

- Because indoor space is limited, we generally begin accepting shop items the weekend after an auction closes.
- We may be more flexible with outdoor items.
- Please check the schedule and call ahead before bringing consignments.

How We Build and Promote Each Auction

We arrange similar items near one another to make browsing easier for bidders. This requires time and planning. We open bidding as soon as the sale goes live so customers can bid immediately; if they are later outbid, they receive an email reminder about the auction.

Advertising also requires significant time and expense, and each auction is only as strong as the consignments brought in.

Choosing and Preparing Items

Before bringing a large quantity of merchandise, please sort items into those suitable for auction and those better donated to Goodwill.

- The minimum bid is \$5.
- We aim for lots with a value of at least \$20. An auction with a large number of \$5 lots is not practical to operate.
- We may group items to keep the total number of lots manageable and create more realistic lot values.
- Please wipe away dust and cobwebs before bringing items. We do not have the staff to clean merchandise, and we pay to keep bugs and pests out of the shop.

Consignment Information

With our current schedule, we need to keep total consignments to approximately 500 items per month. To help our small staff work accurately and efficiently:

- Provide a written list of your consignments.
- Understand that items may be grouped when necessary.
- For unusual or especially valuable items, provide a detailed description. You may know more about the item than we do.

Commission Rates

- **General indoor merchandise:** 30% commission through 2026.
- **Higher-value items, including vehicles and trailers:** Commission is calculated on a sliding scale based on value or sale price.

Shop Access and Contact

When no one is at the front of the shop, we keep the door locked. We usually do not go far, so if you arrive and the door is locked, please call Denise at 406-570-6818. There is a good chance someone is available to assist you.

Auction Schedule

Our website's auction schedule page lists planned auctions through the end of the year. We are developing the 2027 schedule and policies and hope to include consignment dates as well. Updated information will be posted soon.

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We appreciate your business and are happy to answer any questions.

Thank you.

Kail & Denise

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