



# GUIDELINES FOR THE HOLIDAY BASKET RAFFLE

1. Decide on a theme. Some examples of themes people have chosen in the past are:

Think Green/Energy Savings  
Welcome New Baby  
Seasonal Gift Basket  
Staying Warm  
Cooking with Kids

Quilt in a Basket  
Cats! Cats! Cats!  
Spa Fun  
A-Golfing We Will Go  
Viva Italia

2. Purchase or make the items you'll include in the basket.
3. Purchase your basket and supplies. The basket shape or size is your choice. Supplies, such as imitation straw or grass, cellophane to wrap the basket and bows, can be found at craft stores or at general merchandise stores such as the Dollar Store, Michaels, etc.
4. Arrange the items in your basket so that each one is clearly visible.
5. Wrap your entire basket in cellophane and secure with a bow or other decoration. This will keep your basket dust free, intact and secure during the display in the library.
6. Print and fill out the attached **Basket Raffle List of Contents** and include it with your basket. If you are including a gift card or certificate, indicate that on your list but, for security sake, give the card or certificate to the library staff to hold separately. Give the basket to one of the library staff. The staff will use the list to prepare an itemized Master Reference List. This list will be available at the front desk for ticket buyers to review.
7. If you plan to deduct these expenditures on your **income tax return**, keep a record of the cost and description of everything you purchased for your holiday basket. Print and complete the attached **Donation Receipt** and ask the library staff accepting your basket to sign the receipt.
8. Bring your completed basket to the Library by **Saturday, November 16**. Baskets will be on display in the Library from Monday, November 18 through Saturday, December 14. **The raffle will be held at noon, Saturday, December 14, at the Library's Circulation Desk.**

Questions?

Give Marcia Capuano, President of the Friends, a call at (413) 306-7152 or email at [mecapu@comcast.net](mailto:mecapu@comcast.net)



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This acknowledgement will serve as a receipt for your tax-deductible contribution.

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