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Christmas Around the Square Successful

KENTON – The Hardin County Chamber & Business Alliance announced the 29th Annual Christmas Around the Square event was again successful. The courthouse was filled with craft and gift vendors on all three floors. The annual auction featured thirty unique holiday baskets which were donated by Alliance member businesses. Over \$5,000 was raised during the event.

The highest bid received during this year's auction was \$660 for "Farm to Table...Man Style" donated by Men of the Alliance and purchased by Quest Federal Credit Union.

During the auction, Quest announced that they would be donating "The Man Tree" to the Hardin Memorial Hospital Foundation for auction during the Mistletoe Ball scheduled for Saturday, December 5. The purchasers hope the Foundation is able to raise twice as much as the initial bid, with proceeds benefiting the Hardin Memorial Hospital Emergency Room renovation.

Additional highlights to the event included: Kenton Top 20 and delicious homemade food prepared by the Hardin County Homemakers.

The annual auction is a fundraiser sponsored by the Alliance with proceeds benefiting the Alliance's efforts to promote economic growth, business development and retention, tourism, and downtown revitalization in Hardin County.

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