One of the highlights of the ACES annual conference is the silent auction, which raises money for the society's educational efforts.

The auction features newspaper-related items, books, clothing and one-of-a-kind memorabilia. Bidding is open throughout the day on Friday of conference week. Some of the more popular items attract bids in the hundreds of dollars.

The 2003 auction at ACES seventh annual conference in Chicago raised more than $4,100

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