

Who is COTCO: The Committee Organized for the Trading of Cotton (COTCO) was established in 1973 to act as the voice of the American Cotton Shippers Association. Advocating for U.S. cotton, COTCO allows us to focus on protecting and advancing the interests and visions of cotton buyers and sellers at the federal level. Having a strong political action committee (PAC) builds a strong political presence, gives cotton a seat at the table, and develops relationships with key officials. COTCO educates Members of Congress and their staff on key issues that affect the cotton industry, such as: trade negotiations impact on cotton, regulatory impacts on risk management tools, and agricultural policy from the perspective of ACSA members. There are several reasons why COTCO is your PAC:

- COTCO is dedicated to supporting the interests of cotton merchandisers and their industry partners.
- ➤ COTCO cultivates support for the cotton trade across all regions, focusing primarily on federal forums.
- > COTCO promotes candidates who support our industry, regardless of party.

Our Goal: We are looking forward to surpassing our fundraising goal at the 2025 ACSA Annual Convention! On Tuesday night, we will be having an exciting live auction with additional fun ways to raise money for our cause! Below are the eleven items that will be auctioned off during the evening dinner.

PAC Rules: There are a few rules when contributing to a PAC. Please be mindful that:

- ➤ The maximum personal contribution is \$5,000 annually; however, other members in your family such as a spouse, child, or sibling can also contribute \$5,000 each annually.
- Contributions are entirely voluntary.
- > Contributions are not tax deductible.

LET THE FUN BEGIN

The Ultimate Texas Barbeque - November 6, 2025

Get ready for a flavor-packed, fun-filled celebration that's as big as Texas itself! On November 6, 2025, join us for the Wakefield Barbeque—a come-one, come-all party featuring legendary grill masters Greg Wakefield and Bryant Rawley serving up mouthwatering Texas-style barbeque. With a full bar, classic Lone Star games, and nonstop entertainment, this is the perfect recipe for a true Texas celebration. Whether you're here for the brisket, the cold drinks, or the great company, there's something for everyone. So bring your appetite, your friends, and your best boots—because nothing says "Bigger in Texas" like a party hosted by the Wakefield group. Let's make this event huge!







Round of Golf at Trump National & Capitol Tour

Swing big in Washington, D.C. with a round of golf and an insider's Capitol tour you won't forget. The winning bidder and a guest will join Robbie Minnich, vice president of Washington Operations, and Tas Smith, vice president of Producer Affairs at the National Cotton Council, for a round of golf at the prestigious Trump National Golf Club in Sterling, Virginia—courtesy of the American Cotton Producers. The experience also includes one night of accommodations in Washington, D.C., and a tour of the U.S. Capitol building, making this a perfect blend of leisure, networking, and behind-the-scenes access. Following the auction, the winner will work with ACSA staff to determine the best date for this exclusive experience.





Exclusive Italian Dinner Experience

From delicious pastas to perfectly paired wines, this is your ticket to Italy—no passport required. Treat yourself and ten of your closest friends to an unforgettable evening of authentic Italian cuisine and fine wine with chefs Joe Nicosia and Jeff Johnson. Known for their passion for Italian cooking, this dynamic duo will craft a multi-course meal featuring classic dishes like Manicotti, Osso Buco, or Chicken Piccata—thoughtfully paired with complementary wines. This intimate, personalized experience will be hosted at the winner's home, though this event is limited to Memphis or Dallas. Whether you're marking a special occasion or simply savoring the joy of great food and company, this evening promises to be one to remember. Following the auction, the chefs will coordinate with the winner to schedule the perfect date for this one-of-a-kind culinary event.







Georgia Coast Fishing Adventure and Port of Savannah Tour

Experience a one-of-a-kind day along the beautiful Georgia coast! Start with an exhilarating half-day fishing trip for up to six people, where you'll cast off into the Atlantic for a chance to reel in local favorites like snapper, grouper, and kingfish. After your time on the water, enjoy an exclusive, behind-the-scenes tour of the bustling Port of Savannah—one of the largest and fastest-growing ports in the United States, courtesy of the Georgia Ports Authority! This auction item includes one night's stay in a beautiful Savannah downtown hotel (up to \$600 in value). Whether you're seeking a thrilling fishing adventure or an inside look at global commerce in action, this experience offers the best of both worlds. Generously donated by the Atlantic Cotton Association.







North American Grand Prix 2025 - F1 Race Experience for Two

Start your engines for a once-in-a-lifetime Formula One weekend at your choice of four world-class North American Grand Prix™ destinations: Las Vegas, Montreal, Austin, or Mexico City. From historic circuits to dazzling new venues, each city offers a thrilling backdrop for the ultimate F1 experience. Your weekend begins with a pit lane walk during pit stop practice, giving you rare behind-the-scenes access to the sport's top teams. Enjoy grandstand seating over three race days, complete with giant screen viewing so you won't miss a second of the action. Explore the track on a guided tour with an expert host, take a photo with the championship trophy, and enjoy invitation-only access to exclusive events featuring legendary drivers and team executives. Whether it's the neon of Vegas, the energy of Mexico City, the charm of Montreal, or the intensity of Austin's Circuit of The Americas, this is your VIP pass to the heart-pounding world of Formula One.





Parsi Embroidery Shawl - A Craft of Elegance and Heritage

Turn heads and spark conversations with a wearable masterpiece—an heirloom of unmatched beauty, history, and craftsmanship. The winner of this auction will take home a one-of-a-kind Parsi embroidery shawl—an exquisite example of a rare and vanishing Indian textile tradition, donated by Nisha Kerpal Syed! Parsi embroidery, or Gara, is one of India's most intricate and refined forms of hand embroidery in India. Deeply rooted in the Parsi-Zoroastrian community, this art form is known for its rich motifs, storytelling elements, and meticulous craftsmanship.

A piece of art in which birds take wing with the delicacy of a Haiku and weeping willows, tendrils and cranes, flowers and buds twist and bend with infinite grace, carry not just aesthetic images "painted with a needle" but tales and legends, myths and journeys of the Parsis, a rapidly declining population in India. This stunning shawl, hand-embroidered by MOGRA for ACSA on fine silk georgette, measures 105 inches long by 42 inches wide. Crafted using a single strand of fine silk thread, pieces like this can take up to eight months to complete, often involving multiple artisans, each a specialist in one motif.

With a diminishing number of skilled embroiderers remaining in India, each shawl becomes a celebration of tradition—and a piece of art to cherish. Most antique Parsi shawls are preserved like heirloom jewelry, passed down through generations and wrapped in muslin, herbs, and sandalwood. Each shawl is hence unique and a piece to cherish. Now, one of these rare treasures can be yours.







Club World Cup Match for Two

Score big with two tickets to one of the most anticipated soccer events of the year—the FIFA Club World Cup in New York City this July! Choose from the quarterfinal on Saturday, July 5, the semi-finals on July 8 or 9, or the championship final on July 13, courtesy of Darren Long! You pick the match—up to a \$2,000 total ticket value. Your winning experience also includes a two-night stay at The Beekman, a luxury landmark hotel in Lower Manhattan known for its stunning nine-story atrium and unbeatable location just steps from the Brooklyn Bridge, World Trade Center, and vibrant downtown nightlife. This package combines world-class sports and world-class style—an unforgettable NYC getaway wrapped in global energy, five-star comfort, and big-game excitement!



Two-Night Suite at The Charleston Place

Make your convention experience unforgettable with a stay in Charleston's most iconic hotel—where timeless Southern charm meets modern luxury. The winner of this auction will enjoy a two-night stay in a lavish One-Bedroom Suite at the newly renovated The Charleston Place during ACSA's 102nd Annual Convention in Charleston, South Carolina. Perfectly located in the heart of historic downtown, this celebrated hotel places you just steps from the city's finest dining, shopping, and cultural attractions. It's the perfect home base for enjoying both the energy of the convention and the elegance of Charleston.



VIP Experience at the 2026 Masters Tournament – Berckman's Place Access

The winner of this auction will enjoy a once-in-a-lifetime experience at the 2026 Masters Tournament, courtesy of Wildcat Logistics! You and a guest will receive exclusive tickets for one day at the iconic Augusta National Golf Club—with coveted Berckman's Place badges in hand. This ultra-VIP hospitality venue is one of the most elusive and prestigious tickets in all sports, offering unmatched access, luxury amenities, and the chance to rub shoulders with high-profile guests at every turn. As part of the experience, you'll also get to test your putting skills on replica Augusta greens—complete with caddies to show you the line and aim points, just like the pros. The winner can choose to attend either Saturday, June 11 or Sunday, June 12 of the tournament. Don't miss this rare opportunity—let Wildcat Logistics be your insider guide to one of the most exclusive sporting events in the world.





U.S. Capitol-Flown American Flag Tribute

Mark a milestone with a truly patriotic tribute—an American flag flown above the U.S. Capitol in honor of someone special. The winning bidder will have the opportunity to dedicate the flag to a person or organization of their choice and select a meaningful date for its flight. You'll also receive an official Certificate of Authenticity from the Architect of the Capitol, featuring the honoree's name and the date the flag was flown. A powerful keepsake that captures both national pride and personal meaning—perfect for commemorating service, achievement, or remembrance.





Last Hero Prize Options

The winner of the Last Hero lot will have the option of choosing three nights in a luxury lodge in Icelandic Highlands, Iceland, seven nights at a beachfront resort in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, or 4 nights in a private oceanfront home in Grand Caymon. Any of these options would make for a wonderful trip!

Iceland: Escape to a 3-night stay for two in a luxury spa lodge nestled in the stunning Icelandic Highlands. Soak in the Kerlingarfjöll hot springs, enjoy daily buffet breakfasts, and unwind in serene spa surroundings with panoramic mountain views right from your lodge. Each day brings the opportunity for guided nature walks and curated adventures—or simply relax and take in the quiet majesty of Iceland's untouched landscapes. Your stay includes round-trip all-season transfers.





Captivating Cabo: Experience seven nights of beachfront bliss for two at Garza Blanca Resort & Spa Los Cabos, one of Mexico's most exclusive and luxurious destinations. You'll stay in a one-bedroom studio suite featuring a private balcony. Unwind with access to eight resort pools—including a rooftop infinity pool—plus a full-service spa, gym, tennis courts, and award-winning on-site dining. Whether you're lounging on the resort's private beach or exploring the vibrant charm of Cabo, this five-star getaway promises the perfect mix of relaxation and indulgence.





Grand Cayman: Soak up the beauty of Grand Cayman with a four-night stay for four guests in a private oceanfront home, located in an exclusive boutique gated resort. Swim with stingrays and turtles on a guided half-day snorkeling tour to Stingray City, Coral Gardens, and Turtle Lagoon—an unforgettable experience included with your stay. Spend your days exploring vibrant reefs with complimentary kayaks and snorkel gear, or simply unwind in the 60-foot pool, oceanfront hammocks, or hot tub. With Barker's Beach just steps away and world-famous Seven Mile Beach only 10 minutes from your door, this is the perfect blend of adventure and relaxation in paradise.



