

Successful First Silent Auction for Physician Assistant Student Organization.

The Physician Assistant Students Supporting Equity and Diversity (PASSED) hosted its first silent auction on Friday, July 12, 2018 to benefit Reach Out and Read. The auction raised more than \$1800. The funds will be used to purchase books for Reach Out and Read, a nonprofit organization

that gives young children a foundation for success by incorporating books into pediatric care and encouraging families to read aloud together.

Auction items included House of Marley ear buds, Gregory hiking bags, and Black Diamond hiking gear. In addition to auction items, baked items were sold. Members of Class 48 donated items for the bake sale portion of the event. "We are very excited about the results of the silent auction and bake sale - we did not anticipate so many people and the bidding wars! So great to be able to provide books for children and start them on the path to success. We hope



that this becomes a recurring event every year," said Alex Burringo, PASSED President.

The event was coordinated by the officers of PASSED, Alex Burringo, president; Maurie Moline, vice president; Nancy Duncan, secretary; and Gry Wheaton, treasurer; as well as many members of the Class of 48.