

# Silent Auction



## 100

### **1 - bottle Aubert Wines Lucia Abreu Vineyard 2005**

estimated value: \$230

Mark Aubert was born in Napa Valley, so working with wine came natural for him. After working in the cellars at Rutherford Hill Vineyards and Monticello Cellars in the 1980s, he met Helen Turley and her husband John Wetlaufer in 1990. When Helen Turley left Peter Michael, Mark Aubert became the head winemaker where he stayed until 2000, when he made his first wines under his own label Aubert Wines. Mark continued to make wines for other wineries over a number of years, among them Colgin Cellars up on Pritchard Hill where he was the winemaker from 1999 (again, he took over after Helen Turley) until 2007.

"A new project from Mark Aubert is his blend of 50% Merlot, 29% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 21% Cabernet Franc from a new Howell Mountain vineyard planted and owned by David Abreu. The beautiful 2005 Lucia-Abreu Vineyard (400 cases) exhibits a dark ruby/purple color as well as bright, lively aromas of blueberries, raspberries, and crushed rocks, medium to full body, sweet tannin, good freshness, and a long, heady finish. Elegant yet authoritatively flavored, it should drink well for 15 or more years." - 92-94 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

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# 101

## **Château d'Issan Duo**

estimated value: \$250

**1 - bottle Château d'Issan 2016**

**1 - bottle Château d'Issan 2010**

"The 2016 D'Issan is blended of 64% Cabernet Sauvignon and 36% Merlot, aged in 50% new and 50% one-year-old French oak for 18 months. Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, it has vibrant black cherries and blackcurrants notes with chocolate mint, beef drippings, black olives and cigar box. Medium-bodied with a well-sustained, intensely flavored mid-palate, it has a rock-solid, grainy frame and long savory finish. 10,500 cases produced." - 94+ points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

"Deep garnet in color, the 2010 D'Issan opens with baked blackberries, blackcurrant jelly and stewed plums scents with hints of bouquet garni and charcoal. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is bright and refreshing with just enough chewy, textured black fruits and an earthy finish." - 93 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**Donated by Château d'Issan**

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# 102

## **Vidon Vineyard Pinot Noir**

estimated value: \$125

**1 - bottle Vidon Vineyard Hans Clone Pommard Pinot Noir 2013**

**1 - bottle Vidon Vineyard Mirabelle Clone 115 Pinot Noir 2012**

These bottles hail from Vidon Vineyard, which is now Compris Vineyard. "Nestled in the rolling countryside of Newberg, Oregon is the 12.5-acre vineyard. The diversity of soil and the varying climate are just a few of the special elements that characterize this Chehalem Mountain AVA vineyard."

"The Chehalem Mountains is a northwest-southeast span of several distinct mountains, ridges and peaks in the northern part of the Willamette Valley. Of all of Willamette Valley's smaller AVAs, it is closest to the city of Portland. Its highest summit, Bald Peak at an elevation of 1,633 feet, serves to generate cooler air for the rest of the AVA and its hillside vineyards. The region covers 70,000 acres but only 1,600 acres are planted to vines; soils of the Chehalem Mountains are a mix of basalt, ocean sediment and loess."

**Donated by Elizabeth Miklos**

# 103

## **1 - Magnum Peter Michael Sauvignon Blanc L'Après-Midi 2016**

estimated value: \$130

This is one of the two estate-grown Sauvignon Blanc/Sémillon blends at Peter Michael. The grapes are grown alongside the red Bordeaux varietals at 1,000 - 1,200 feet, benefiting from the steep slopes, excellent drainage, and cool air at altitude. It is predominantly made from Sauvignon Blanc, with just a touch of Sémillon. L'Après-Midi was named in honor of the pleasures of a slow and lazy afternoon, which according to Sir Peter is a good time to start drinking it.

93 points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "Blended of 86% Sauvignon Blanc and 14% Sémillon, the 2016 Sauvignon Blanc L'Après Midi is scented of crushed stones, white pepper, struck flint and dried herbs over a core of lemons and grapefruit juice with a touch of chalk dust. Medium-bodied, it fills the palate with zesty citrus flavors complemented by minerally notes, finishing long. 2,450 cases were made."

**Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George**

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# 104

## **4 - bottles Château Kirwan 2012**

estimated value: \$200

"From the Schroder and Schyler family, the 2012 Kirwan is dense ruby/purple and exhibits notes of cassis, licorice and a touch of toasty oak, followed by a medium to full-bodied, concentrated, tightly knit, but very promising Margaux. Concentrated, long and rich, this wine is still playing it close to the vest. It should be at its best in another 5-7 years and last at least two decades." - Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Château Kirwan**

# 105

## **2 - bottles Château La Lagune – 10 years apart**

estimated value: \$200

**1 - bottle Château La Lagune 2009**

**1 - bottle Château La Lagune 1999**

In honor of having Château La Lagune with us this year, we are sharing some wine from an early Heart's Delight auction and pairing it with one from 10 years later for a fun tasting.

"It is not unusual that the 2009 La Lagune is a spectacular effort given the fact that this estate has been making terrific wines over the last decade or more. It boasts a dense purple color as well as a beautiful perfume of blueberries, mulberries, cassis, white chocolate and subtle toasty oak. Notes of Chinese black tea, cedarwood and forest floor also make an appearance in the singular aromatic and flavor profiles. This sumptuous, full-bodied La Lagune possesses low acidity, abundant but ripe, sweet tannin and a long, 45-second finish. Give this beauty 5-7 years of bottle age and drink it over the following three decades." - 95 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

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# 106

## **SoDel Concepts Gift Basket**

estimated value: \$150

We are sorry that Chef Doug Ruley couldn't be with us this year but he sent along this gift basket including a \$100 SoDel gift card, a SoDel Flavored SeaSalt, a Northeast Seafood Kitchen T-Shirt, one Thompson Island Tulip Glass, and a SoDel Concepts hat.

SoDel Concepts is an award-winning, chef driven restaurant group based in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. You can dine at Bluecoast Rehobeth, Bluecoast Bethany, Matt's Fish Camp Fenwick, Ocean View Brewing Company, Catch 54 Fenwick Island and many more!

**Donated by SoDel Concepts**



**2 - bottles Dyer Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2010**

estimated value \$200

Cabernet Sauvignon From Napa Valley's Famed Diamond Mountain District. It is their flagship wine, a traditional Bordeaux blend based in Cabernet Sauvignon with Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot as supporting players.

Dyer Vineyard is the tiny, personal vineyard (and home) of two former winemakers, Dawnine Dyer (former head winemaker of Domaine Chandon) and Bill Dyer (formerly head winemaker of Sterling Vineyards). They own a scant four acres of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, and Petit Verdot on Diamond Mountain. Located in what might be called Diamond Mountain's "golden enclave" where Diamond Creek, Von Strasser, Reverie, and Dyer are virtually cheek to cheek. Dyer delivers the real goods. Simply put, these are great Cabernets. Quantity is obviously minute; quality superb. If you can find it, get it.

"Showing precision craftsmanship, this wine hails from a tiny vineyard on Napa's famed Diamond Mountain. Only 225 cases were produced, but it's worth a search if you're looking for classic mountain Cabernet capable of extended aging. The wine has a linearity that defines elegance, yet is rich in blackberries and cassis, with oak nuances" – 96 points, Wine Enthusiast

"Dyer's 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon is superb. The finessed, elegant side of Diamond Mountain comes through in spades. A pedigreed, silky wine, the 2010 impresses for its exceptional balance and pure class. Today the aromas and flavors are naturally quite primary, so readers will want to cellar the 2010 for at least a few years. This is one of the most refined Cabernet Sauvignons I have ever tasted from Diamond Mountain. The only bad news is that yields were down significantly. Anticipated maturity: 2018-2030." - 94 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Elizabeth Miklos**

# 108

## **Rhys Vineyards Bearwallow Vineyard 2017 Magnums**

estimated value: \$400

**1 - Magnum Rhys Vineyards Bearwallow Vineyard Chardonnay 2017**

**1 - Magnum Rhys Vineyards Bearwallow Vineyard Pinot Noir 2017**

"The 2017 Chardonnay Bearwallow Vineyard has a minerally nose to begin, with crushed shell and stone scents over a core of warm white peaches, pie crust, lime peel, fresh apple and pear fruit plus hints of spring blossoms. Light to medium-bodied, it offers intense, lively fruits with tangy acidity and a long, minerally finish." - 93 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

"Pale to medium ruby-purple, the 2017 Pinot Noir Bearwallow Vineyard has a slowly opening nose of dried rose petal and violet, charcuterie, peppercorn, warm red cherries, dried herbs, dusty earth, bergamot and warm blackberries. It's light to medium-bodied with a silky texture and intense, spicy, earth-accented fruits, framed by grainy tannins and great freshness, finishing very long and very spicy." - 94 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Rhys Vineyards**

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# 109

## **Thomas Arvid "Product of USA" Print featuring Opus One**

estimated Value: \$2,500

Thomas Arvid's success as an artist has been attributed to his amazing talent and his passion for art and wine. His genuine love for both makes each painting a symphony on canvas, unfolding in infinite layers.

This now sold-out print is signed, limited edition (171 of 375), and comes with a certificate of authenticity. "Product of USA" is truly a classic Arvid, capturing the casual elegance with which we drink wine today. The rich colors and myriad reflections remind us that while accessible, wine, like art, is never simple. This print is framed and sized 31 x 18 inches.

**Donated by The Kohuts**

# 110

## **3 - bottles Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2011**

estimated value: \$210

So excited that Emeline Borie is with us this year! Grand-Puy-Lacoste is one of the oldest properties in the Médoc. Its rich history, its sense of being and its values perpetuated throughout time make it special; its owners' character and their great dedication to quality make it unique. "The dense ruby/purple-colored 2011 Grand Puy Lacoste exhibits a charming, open-knit bouquet of red and black fruits. It is a savory, medium-bodied, flavorful, well-endowed Pauillac from Xavier Borie that can be enjoyed over the next 10-15+ years." - 91 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste**

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# 111

## **1 - Magnum Brooks Wine Cahiers Pinot Noir 2017**

estimated value: \$115

Janie Brooks is back at Heart's Delight and we hope you all had a chance to meet her! This wine is deeply dark-fruited with a mesmerizing mélange of blood orange, pomegranate syrup and black raspberry notes with a subtle hint of red apple skin on the finish.

Cahiers (KY-YAY) is French for Notebooks or Journals in remembrance and honor of Jimi Brooks who loved to read and write. Pascal had found his father's journals after he passed and they allowed him to connect with his father through each journal entry.

**This donation is in honor of Jimi Brooks.**

**Donated by Brooks Wine**

# 112

## JIGGY Puzzles

estimated value: \$150

Each of these 800 piece puzzles feature art by an emerging female artist who gets a percentage of every sale, comes in sustainable and elevated packaging, and includes specially formulated puzzle glue to keep and frame your masterpiece (1) Disco Moonlight (2) Shoe Shopping (3) Walrus Colony.

JIGGY's founder Kaylin shares, "5 years ago, I was working around the clock at an early startup and fell in love with jigsaw puzzles as my nightly meditation. I was doing one every week and the stress relief was great, but the designs were outdated and uninspired. I started dreaming up a puzzle that would be beautiful for both the doing and the decorating, that would look good before, during and after completion. I knew I wanted to support and highlight the work of amazing female artists and after a year of curating the art and reimagining and designing the packaging, JIGGY was born."

**Donated by JIGGY Puzzles**

# 113

## **1 - Magnum True Believer Wines Red Wine 2012**

estimated value: \$225

"This is a new project by Bien Nacido's rock-star vineyard manager Chris Hammell. All of the wines come from a newly planted plot of vines located beside Bien Nacido, and the focus is on Rhone variety blends. While nothing has been bottled yet, I was more than a little impressed by these barrel samples and can't wait to try them from bottle. There's very little of this to go around, so don't miss a chance to grab a couple bottles." – Jeb Dunnuck

From the beginning, True Believer has been a vineyard-based practice in traditional & natural vineyard planting, training and farming. From the sandy plain of head-trained Grenache to the extremely steep, never-before-cultivated, 100% hand/animal-farmed Syrah-dominated hillsides, the vines are trained using centuries-old methods still in-use today in parts of France and Spain. The cold climate, along with an openness to judicious whole-cluster fermentation allows them to coax the herb (rather than fruit)-driven flavors from these grapes that are so intriguing and attractive.

"A big, voluptuous blend of 55% Grenache, 25% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre and the rest Petite Syrah that was brought up in all neutral oak, the 2012 True Believer sports a vibrant, semi-opaque ruby/purple color to go with terrific notes of black raspberries, cassis, crushed violets, licorice, and peppered meats. Big, full-bodied, and voluptuous, yet also balanced, fresh, weightless, and silky, this is up there with some of the greatest GSM blends coming out of the Central Coast today." - 95 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George**

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# 114

## **2 - bottles Château Lagrange 2009**

estimated value: \$170

"Medium to deep garnet colored, the 2009 Lagrange rolls out of the glass with beautiful redcurrant jelly, warm blackcurrants and blueberry preserves notions plus hints of fallen leaves, camphor and pencil lead. Medium to full-bodied, it fills the palate with red and black fruit preserves and lively herbal sparks, with a firm grainy backbone and great freshness on the finish." - 93 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**Donated by Château Lagrange**

# 115

## **3 - bottles George Wine Company Pinot Noir Ceremonial Vineyard 2018**

estimated value: \$225

George Levkoff is a Heart's Delight veteran and our favorite one-man show. With only 148 cases made, George crafts Pinot Noir the "old-school" Burgundian way, and savvy sommeliers around the country keep spreading his gospel. And nowhere more so than Las Vegas, where, at last count, George Pinot Noirs grace the wine lists of nearly 100 top restaurants (Joel Robuchon, Guy Savoy, Spago, and Picasso to name a few). In California, you'll find George on about every top restaurant wine list in the state such as The French Laundry, Cut, and Gordon Ramsay. The eye-widening list is a testament to the power of these beautiful wines.

**Donated by George Wine Company**

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# 116

## **Switchback Ridge Trio**

estimated value: 200

**1 - bottle Switchback Ridge Peterson Family Vineyard Merlot 2008**

**1 - bottle Switchback Ridge Peterson Family Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2007**

**1 - bottle Switchback Ridge Peterson Family Vineyard Petit Sirah 2006**

"One of the finest Merlots made in Napa Valley is the 2008 Merlot Peterson Family Vineyard. Sumptuous aromas of sweet kirsch and blacker fruits along with coffee bean, chocolate and herb scents jump from the glass of this dark plum/ruby/purple-colored effort. This tiny producer consistently fashions excellent wines (Bob Foley is the winemaking force behind these efforts)." Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

The 2007 is described as "Opaque purple with lots of creme de cassis, creosote, charcoal, blackberry, and espresso roast, this wine again has a chocolatey edge, full-bodied flavors, and loads of fruit, depth, and power." – 92+ points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

"The blockbuster 2006 Petite Sirah Peterson Family Vineyard boast an inky/blue/purple color as well as copious quantities of blueberry jam intermixed with truffles, incense, and a hint of charred meat. This full-bodied, powerful, rich, unevolved, backward Petite Sirah should be forgotten for 4-5 years, and drunk over the following two decades." – 91+ points, Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**Donated by Elizabeth Miklos**

## Moon Mountain AVA Six Bottle Collection

estimated value: \$720

This lot is courtesy of Sam Coturri who collected donations from his neighbors.

Soaring more than 2,000 feet above Sonoma Valley, the highest vineyards in the Moon Mountain District American Viticultural Area (AVA) enable clear-day views of San Francisco from 50 miles away, skyscrapers gleaming in the southern distance. Though only designated an AVA in 2013—with only 1,500 of its 17,663 acres planted to grapevines—the Moon Mountain District contains one of Sonoma County's oldest and most prestigious vineyards.

### **1 - bottle Stone Edge Farm Mt. Pisgah Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2015**

"Blended with 13% Cabernet Franc, this beautifully styled wine is sourced primarily from the producer's estate vineyard on Moon Mountain. Sanguine, herbal and earthy, it dazzles in peppercorn, leather, cedar and gracefully structured tannins. Dark chocolate and plum add subtle richness as a note of crushed rock closes things out. Enjoy from 2025–2030." 94 points, Wine Enthusiast

### **1 - bottle Kamen Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2017**

"The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon is fabulous. Rich, inky and spectacularly ripe, the 2017 is loaded with the character that makes this Moon Mountain property so special. A whole range of red and purplish fruit, spice, lavender, mint and licorice builds as this sumptuous, exotically beautiful Cabernet shows off its alluring personality. What I find most remarkable about the 2017 is how it is so full-bodied and explosive, yet not overly heavy. The 2017 is one of the best vintages—maybe the best—I have ever tasted here. It is a stunning wine. Wow." 96 points.

—Antonio Galloni, *Vinous*, January 2020

### **1 - bottle Sixteen 600 Winery Simons Cabernet Sauvignon 2018**

"Winery Sixteen 600 is a collaborative winemaking project between viticulturist Phil Coturri and his son Sam Coturri with consulting enologist and winemaker Philippe Cambie, along with the help of their friends Erich Bradley and Jeff Baker. Phil says he wanted to create a project to work with distinct plots in vineyards he farms in Sonoma. "They are all certified organic and biodynamically farmed," he emphasizes. "Regenerative agriculture is huge for us." - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

### **1 - bottle Repris Moon Mountain Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2018**

"This serves up warmed cassis and plum sauce notes, laced with singed alder and sandalwood along the way, ending with light savory and freshly plowed earth accents through the finish. Solidly built and relatively reserved in style. Drink now through 2033." 92 points – Wine Spectator

### **1 - bottle Lassetter Family Winery Trinity Ridge Syrah 2019**

"This is a thick, tannic and leathery wine, 100% varietal and grown at high-elevation. A

richness of sweet plum dominates with viscosity and intensity while accents of dried herb, rock and wild game swirl through the full-bodied ripeness.” – Wine Enthusiast

**1 - bottle Moon Hollow Cabernet Sauvignon 2020**

Tucked away in the Moon Mountain District of Sonoma is Moon Hollow Estate, a family owned ranch, vineyard, and farm. The 740-acre property, that spans both Sonoma and Napa counties, is a scenic sprawling domain brimming with fresh fruits, grazing animals, and the occasional blanket of the Bay Area’s signature fog.

**Donated by Stone Edge Farm, Kamen Estate, Repris Moon Hollow Estate, Lassetter Family Winery, Moon Hollow Estate, and Winery Sixteen 600**





# 118

## **1 - bottle Château Léoville Poyferré 2000**

estimated value: \$250

97 points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "The plushest, most ostentatious and dramatic of all the Leovilles in 2000, this wine is already sumptuous, displaying some nuances in its huge nose of vanilla bean, black chocolate, jammy black cherries, cassis, and graphite in a flamboyant style. Opulent, savory, rich, and full-bodied, it is a head-turning, prodigious wine and a complete contrast to the extracted behemoth of Leoville Barton and the backward, classic Leoville Las Cases. The Poyferre's low acidity, sweet tannin and an already gorgeous mouthfeel make it a wine to drink now as well as over the next 25 or more years."

**Donated by Château Léoville Poyferré**

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# 119

## **1 - bottle Cardinale Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2005**

estimated value: \$325

Cardinale Winery makes only one Cabernet Sauvignon each vintage, with fruit blended from select mountain and benchland vineyards surrounding Napa Valley. "Deep ruby/purple to the rim, with notes of graphite, black cherry and black currant liqueur, licorice, and spice box, the wine has silky tannins, full body, a gorgeously layered, rich mouthfeel, and a long finish with moderately high tannins and refreshing acidity. It's a big wine for sure, but it has uncanny elegance, purity, and length." - 95 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight**

# 120

## **2 - bottles Château Gruaud Larose 2010**

estimated value: \$350

It was so lovely getting having Gruaud Larose join us in DC last year after a long absence and we hope they will join us again soon! There were two bottles leftover from the tasting and we want to share them with the lucky bidder. "Deep garnet colored, the 2010 Gruaud Larose delivers notes of warm cassis, blackberry compote and boysenberries with nuances of new leather, unsmoked cigars and bay leaves plus a medicinal waft. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is filled with generous black fruit preserves, sparked by herbal and earthy hints and supported with a firm, grainy texture, finishing with gorgeous freshness." - 93 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**Donated by Château Gruaud Larose**

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# 121

## **1 - bottle Caymus Vineyards Special Selection Cabernet Sauvignon 1988**

estimated value: \$400

For lovers of Napa Cabernet Sauvignon, including Robert Parker, Caymus holds a special place. He wrote for the Wine Advocate: "Few wineries in the world can boast such an enviable record of consistent excellence as that of Caymus. There is no doubting that Cabernet Sauvignon is King at Caymus. For nearly twenty years this winery has excelled at producing boldly-flavored, ripe, concentrated regular bottlings and lavishly-oaked, big, spicy, luxury-priced Special Selection offerings."

**Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight**

# 122

## Château du Tertre Pair of Pairs

estimated value: \$270

**2 - bottles Château du Tertre 2009**

**2 - bottles Château du Tertre 2016**

"The medium garnet colored 2009 du Tertre conjures notions of kirsch, black raspberries, warm plums and potpourri on the nose with hints of sage and menthol. The palate is medium-bodied, soft, juicy and seductively approachable with a lively finish." 92 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

"The 2016 Du Tertre is a blend of 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot picked from 27 September until 19 October. Estate manager Alexander van Beek told me that this represents one of the highest levels of Cabernet Sauvignon in recent years. Matured in 35% new oak, it has a harmonious bouquet with pure blackberry, raspberry and mineral scents that are neat and well defined." 90-92 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

**Donated by Château du Tertre**

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# 123

## Rosé All Day!

estimated value \$280

**1 - bottle Château d'Esclans Cotes de Provence Les Clans Rosé 2020**

**1 - bottle Independent Garnacha Rosé 2020**

**1 - bottle Lustig Zweigelt Rosé 2019**

**1 - bottle Château Minuty 'M de Minuty' Rosé 2021, Cotes de Provence**

**1- bottle Domaine Tempier Rosé, Bandol, Provence 2021**

**1- bottle Gael Petit La Combe des Rieu, Tavel, Rhone Valley 2021**

**1- bottle Tablas Creek Patelin de Tablas Rosé 2021, San Luis Obispo, California**

**1- bottle Hofgut Falkenstein Niedermenniger Herrenberg Rosé Trocken 2021, Mosel, Germany**

This is getting to be Rosé weather and our committee has put together a really smart collection for you to enjoy the variety of Rosé out there!

**Donated by John Gallagher, Doug Heye, Pam Roberto, and Friends of Heart's Delight**

# 124

## **1- Magnum hope & grace Russian River Valley Pinot Noir 2013**

estimated value: \$245

Pinot Noir is a challenging grape to grow and only a handful of regions have achieved excellence in growing this extraordinary and complex varietal. Russian River Valley is at the pinnacle. A perfect climate: cool, breezy with the right amount of sunshine, paired with complex soil types provides the foundation for optimal growing conditions. Winemaker Notes: Bright red raspberry and cherry fruit with notes of honey, brown sugar, bergamot and almonds. Lively flavors of cherry, strawberries and spice immerse the palate. Rich texture and fullness with long a lasting finish.

**Donated by hope & grace**

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# 125

## **Oceano Chardonnay Six-Pack**

estimated value: \$125

**3 - bottles Oceano Chardonnay 2017**

**3 - bottles Oceano Chardonnay 2016**

Thanks to our friend Rachel Martin who is the President and Vintner of Oceano Wines. Oceano reinvented the California Chardonnay and produces refreshingly vibrant wines that are naturally lower in alcohol, a reflection of the vineyard site— cool ocean breezes, coastal fog and seafront soils.

**Donated by Oceano Wines**

# 126

## **Orin Swift Papillon**

estimated value: \$150

**1 - bottle Orin Swift Papillon Proprietary Red 2013**

**1 - bottle Orin Swift Papillon Proprietary Red 2015**

The history of Orin Swift Cellars dates back to 1995 when on a lark, David Swift Phinney took a friend up on an offer and went to Florence, Italy to spend a semester “studying.” He founded Orin Swift Cellars in 1998 and grew the brand to what it is today.

“The 2013 Papillon Proprietary Red is 100% from Napa and is a Bordeaux blend of Cabernet Sauvignon with Merlot, Petit Verdot, Malbec and Cabernet Franc. This killer wine has an inky purple color and offers notes of espresso roast intermixed with white chocolate, creme de cassis, blackberry and a touch of toasty oak. The wine was aged 16 months in French oak, of which 40% was new. Broad and opulent, with great intensity, purity and depth, this is another stunner from Dave Phinney, a.k.a. Orin Swift.” – 95 points, Robert Parker’s Wine Advocate.

“Very deep purple-black colored, the 2015 Papillon Proprietary Red features expressive crème de cassis, mulberries, plum preserves and chocolate box notes with wafts of underbrush, dried herbs and Indian spices. Full-bodied, rich, opulent and spicy in the mouth, it has a velvety texture and seamless freshness, finishing long with a lively pepper and herbs lift. 16,200 cases produced.” – 94 points, Robert Parker’s Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Elizabeth Miklos**

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# 127

## **3 - bottles Château Malartic-Lagravière 2016**

estimated value: \$150

We are so thankful to the entire Bonnie Family who has been a longtime supporter of Heart’s Delight! “The 2016 Malartic-Lagravière is blended of 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc and 3% Petit Verdot. Medium to deep garnet-purple in color, it opens with wild blueberries and black cherries with cassis, bay leaves and dark chocolate nuances plus a hint of charcoal. Medium-bodied with a lively backbone and solid frame of ripe, rounded tannins, it finishes with an herbal lift.” - 92 points Robert Parker’s Wine Advocate

**Donated by Château Malartic-Lagravière**

# 128

## **Paravel – Ready to Travel!**

estimated value: \$230

**Cabana Backpack**  
**Fold-Up Wash Kit**

Paravel is a travel-inspired brand with sustainability at the core of everything they do. They believe travel can be transformative and to be celebrated, whether near or far - from a trip to the park to a milestone life celebration on the other side of the world. They create impeccably designed, multi-functional, sustainable bags, luggage and accessories: companions for all journeys.

**Donated by Paravel Inc.**

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# 129

## **1 - Magnum Beaux Frères The Beaux Frères Vineyard Pinot Noir 2011**

estimated value: \$160

The Beaux Frères story began in 1986 when Michael G. Etzel, then a wine salesman in Colorado Springs, embarked on a road trip to Oregon with his young family after reading an enticing review of an '83 Pinot Noir from the Willamette Valley. They took a whimsical detour and with an investment from Michael's sister Pat and her husband, wine critic Robert Parker Jr., the dream began to take shape. (The name Beaux Frères refers to the French idiom for "brother in law.") They moved to the farm the following summer, three little boys in tow, and Michael began his focused pursuit as a vineyard manager by planting only Pinot Noir and slowly transforming the farm into their jewel.

"Delicate nose of roses and raspberries on the palate with firm acidity and silky tannins. Nice intensity on the palate with focused flavors and plenty of mixed flowers and red berry fruit. Delicate and nuanced with lovely delicate flavors."

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**

# 200

## 1 - Magnum Thomas T Thomas Vineyards Reserve Pinot Noir 2017

estimated value: \$250

Thomas T Thomas Vineyards is a culmination of a dream that began on a wine tasting trip to Burgundy. "Surrounded by amazing vistas and vineyards as far as the eye could see, I became intoxicated with the thought of recreating the atmosphere that I was experiencing and seriously enjoying," says Founder Thomas T. Thomas. "The wines in each village had their own rich history and tradition, and you could taste that in every bottle. The dream was in full bloom by now... the dream of owning a vineyard, a winery, and making wine."

In 2001, he purchased 36 acres in the heart of Anderson Valley and built a home. He later added a winery, and in 2008, he planted the three-acre parcel that locals call "Buster's Hill" to Pinot Noir. "The Pacific Ocean lies about 20 miles from our estate," says Thomas. "During the growing season, dense fog burns off by late morning, followed by the warm daytime temperatures, and by late afternoon you begin to feel the cooling benefits of the offshore breezes. This is ideal for growing Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and many of the Alsatian grape varieties. After selling grapes for seven years, in 2017, I bottled the first Thomas T Thomas Vineyards Reserve Pinot Noir and established my own brand."

This small, family winery cherishes its direct connection with the land, and they take a holistic approach to farming. "We are determined to maintain a balanced eco-system for the vineyard as well as the plants and animals that share the land with us," says Thomas.

**Donated by Thomas T Thomas Vineyard**

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# 201

## Dinner Jazz Cruise Plus Craft Cocktail Tour in New Orleans

estimated value: \$330

All aboard the Steamboat Natchez! During this buffet-style dinner cruise, you and a guest will, "savor the beauty and romance of the New Orleans skyline aboard the last authentic steamboat on the Mississippi River as smooth jazz fills your ears by the world-acclaimed Dukes of Dixieland." The craft cocktail tour is sure to impress with five stops, one of which features "the Sazerac, America's first cocktail and the official cocktail of New Orleans."

**Restrictions:** Expires December 31, 2023. For additional restrictions, please review the following: <https://www.graylineneworleans.com/all/cruises/dinner-jazz-cruise>  
<https://www.graylineneworleans.com/all/tours/cocktail-tour>

**Donated by New Orleans Steamboat Company**

# 202

## **1 - Magnum Morlet Family Vineyards La Proportion Dorée 2017**

estimated value: \$230

98 points from the Wine Advocate, "Luc Morlet has 100 Muscadelle vines, planted in 1953, which he co-ferments with the Sauvignon Blanc to produce this stunning wine. The 2017 La Proportion Doree is composed of 65% Semillon, 34% Sauvignon Blanc and 1% Muscadelle. It needs a little coaxing to reveal notes of candied citrus peel, lemon curd, white peaches, honeycomb and fresh hay with wafts of lime leaves and chalk dust. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is completely coated with savory, saline and citrus layers. The texture is decadently satiny with a provocative suggestion of phenolic grip, and it finishes with great persistence and poise."

Jeb Dunnuck, also awarded it 98 points declaring "this is a serious effort that would give a top vintage of Haut Brion Blanc a run for its money!"

**Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George**

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# 203

## **1 - Magnum Enfield Wine Co. Waterhorse Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon 2014**

estimated value: \$140

We are excited to welcome John Lockwood for his first Heart's Delight and we hope you had the chance to try his current release of the Waterhorse Ridge Cabernet today. Here is your chance to take home a magnum with a little age on it. Enfield Wine Co. was founded in 2010, part of a movement in California back to a focus on the vineyard and natural, expressive winemaking. Working with both familiar and uncommon California varieties, they produce pure, fresh, mineral driven wines of minimal intervention. Their wines are vineyard driven and grapes are picked at the leading edge of ripeness for full flavor, while preserving precision and elegance. They farm the grapes themselves and work with small growers who do extraordinary things, from Napa Valley to the far Sonoma Coast and beyond. From rocky, powerful sites - they make wines of elegance and purity. Soft wines, from hard places.

**Donated by Enfield Wine Co.**



# 204

## **La Famosa - Dinner for Four with Wine**

estimated value: \$250

La Famosa brings soulful Puerto Rican cooking to Washington, DC's Navy Yard neighborhood. The food is humble and comforting, and true to the island's rich history, it's creative through adversity approach displays the many cultural influences from indigenous Tainos to the African diaspora. Chef and owner Joancarlo Parkhurst was born in Puerto Rico, and has vivid memories of a food-centric upbringing where he spent countless hours in the kitchen with his grandmother, fondly known as "Mamita."

**Donated by La Famosa**

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# 205

## **1 - bottle Château Angélus 2006**

estimated value: \$430

95 points from Robert Parker for Wine Advocate: "This is another sleeper of the vintage from Hubert de Boüard. Dense purple, with sweet boysenberry, blueberry and black-raspberry fruit, licorice, chocolate and a touch of barbecue smoke, a bit of graphite also makes an appearance in this full-bodied, opulent wine that seems to be maturing much like the 2001."

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**

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# 206

## **Gray Wolf Spirits Gift Box**

estimated value: \$150

**1 - bottle Gray Wolf Rye Whiskey**

**1 - bottle Gray Wolf American Single Malt Whiskey**

**1 - bottle Lobo Agave Spirit**

We are so excited that R.B. Wolfensberger and Meghan Brown are joining us for their first Heart's Delight! Their company Gray Wolf is a craft distillery founded in 2016. They are a boutique Maryland distillery dedicated to handcrafting spirits using premium, intentionally selected, raw ingredients.

Gray Wolf is committed to making distinct spirits, from scratch. It is their belief that a distilling craftsman, earnest to every detail of the process, will produce a spirit that reflects this passion. Here is your chance to take home some of their amazing products.

**Donated by Gray Wolf Spirits**

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## Gemini Wine Company - 3 Month Castor Membership

estimated value: \$320

Turn your "House" Wines into "Home" Wines! What is a "house" wine? Is the only requirement that it be inexpensive, or could there be something more? Gemini Wine Company's Castor membership seeks to redefine what an everyday wine should be-impeccable quality at a fair price, to be sure, but also unique expressions of classic styles, made by artisan producers.

Castor Membership Details include:

Member bottle price includes free shipping in Northern Virginia, and discounted shipping to Washington, DC members for just estimated value: \$10!

Two new wines (usually one white, one red) delivered to your home each month. (Value of estimated value: \$105.96 per month including tax)

10% discount on all wines purchased, and the same free/discounted shipping as your monthly member delivery, when you purchase wines from Gemini Wine Company's online store, the Mercury Shop (new members will receive discount code upon joining).

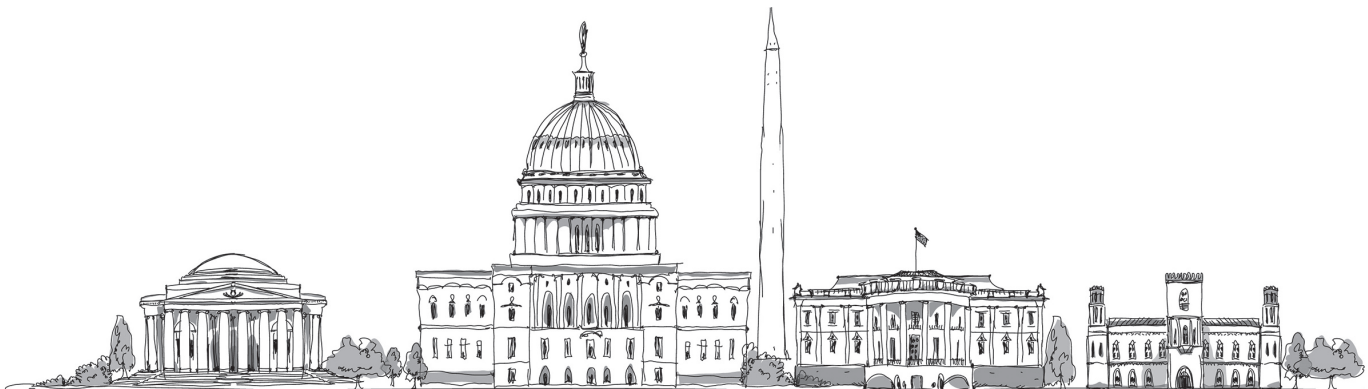
Member-exclusive offers on limited and allocated wines, plus advance notice of new arrivals and special pre-sell opportunities

Castor Members receive a 10% discount on any GWC events that are booked during the period of their memberships.

Castor Members receive a 10% discount on all GWC Gift Cards purchased during the period of their memberships.

**Restrictions:** Winning bidder must reside within 20 miles of Washington, DC to receive free delivery.

**Donated by Gemini Wine Company**



# 208

## **1 - Magnum Di Costanzo Farella Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2014**

estimated value: \$375

Di Costanzo's focus is on tiny production, top-quality, single vineyard California wines, made by partners in wine and in life: Erin and Massimo Di Costanzo. After making wine at Tignanello, Ovid and Screaming Eagle, Massimo founded Di Costanzo in 2010 and has since been lauded by Decanter, Jancis Robinson, Antonio Galloni, Bloomberg Magazine, SommTV, WSJ and San Francisco Chronicle; Wine Enthusiast Magazine named both Massimo and Erin to their Top 40 under 40 Tastemakers lists.

"Massimo Di Costanzo's 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Farella Vineyard opens with the most exquisite aromatics. Graphite, smoke and gravel meld into a core of purplish fruit, with hints of lavender, violet and plum that appear later. Nuanced, sculpted and precise, the 2014 stands out for its total class. This is the most vivid and striking wine I have tasted from Massimo Di Costanzo. The interplay of savory, mineral and fruit nuances is riveting. What a gorgeous wine this is." - Antonio Galloni, Vinous.com.

This library vintage magnum is extremely rare, only 60 large format bottles were produced in 2014.

**This donation is in honor of Harry Sullivan**

**Donated by Di Costanzo Wines**

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# 209

## **A Taste of Hawaii's Finest for Coffee Lovers**

estimated value: \$350

Domain Kona's showcase includes a 5-pound sample of their estate-grown, gourmet coffee, representing all of their roasts. One pound each of their classic roasts: Medium, Almost Dark, and Dark plus one pound each of their signature Black & Gold and Tan & Gold. And finally, to add to your Hawaiian flavor sensation, a box of crunchy dark chocolate-covered Macadamia nuts, plus a bag of Hawaiian premium chocolate chip macadamia shortbread cookies. Treat yourself to something special. One of the world's finest & most rare coffees comes from America. It is grown in Hawaii – on the Big Island in Kona. A tiny .001% of the world's coffee comes from Kona. Domain Kona is a 100-year-old coffee farm in the Kona Coffee Belt in Hawaii. Now owned and operated by Mark Wessels formerly from MacArthur Beverages. Always 100% Kona Coffee - Single Origin & Single Estate - From our Orchard to your Cup! Kona's Farm of the Year in 2016.

**Donated by Domain Kona Coffee**

# 210

## **3L Chimney Rock Elevage Red Blend 2006**

estimated value: \$425

We are so thrilled that Elizabeth Vianna was with us again for this year's Heart's Delight and thank her for bringing this lovely 3-liter for the auction. She describes it as, "an evocative mélange of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot. This blend evokes finesse and complexity, and truly highlights the Stags Leap District."

Chimney Rock is a 134-acre estate in the heart of the Stags Leap District, the first viticultural area in the United States to be approved based on the distinctiveness of its soils. Elevage is crafted from grapes across the 28 distinctive vineyard blocks planted to five different red varieties for a proprietary blend that captures the essence of the silky tannins of the estate.

92 points from Wine Enthusiast, "Smooth, dry and rich, this Merlot-based Bordeaux blend shows complex flavors of black currants, black cherries, mocha and cedar. The tannins are thick, but very finely ground, with a sweet nutty taste. Shows real class and finesse."

**Donated by Chimney Rock Winery**

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# 211

## **1 - Magnum George Wine Leras Family Vineyard Pinot Noir 2018**

estimated value: \$180

We have been lucky enough to have George attending Heart's Delight for the past 10 years! And for those of you who don't know his story, George Levkoff is the sole employee at George Wine Company, was born and raised in New York. Following eighteen years in NYC, George went to Lehigh University, The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business, and The University of Houston Law Center. George then moved to Los Angeles and became a United States Government Bond trader. About ten years into the fourteen year bond trading career, George had a Russian River Valley pinot noir wine epiphany at dinner, and vowed to move to Healdsburg, California some day to make pinot noir. Four years later, George quit his job, sold his house, and moved to Healdsburg, California.

After working four harvests at Williams Selyem Winery (1999-2002), George established George Wine Company in 2003 with a little over one hundred cases of pinot noir. George pinot noir has been purchased and served by Master Sommeliers, and is poured in some of the finest restaurants in America.

**Donated by George Wine Company**

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# 212

## **Olde Towne Pet Resort**

estimated Value: \$350

Three Night Stay and a spa bath at any of their three locations (Sterling, North Bethesda and Springfield) for one dog or cat of any breed or size.

Olde Town Pet Resort is the premiere pet boarding, grooming and training facilities in the DC area. A family-owned business for over two decades, they know that every pet is more than just a client, they are family to those who love them – and part of their family too.

**Restrictions:** Expires May 20, 2024. Subject to availability, black out dates do apply. Valid only for one pet. Cannot be split or combined with any other offers. A reservation and proof of vaccination are required.

**Donated by Olde Towne Pet Resort**

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# 213

## **1 - Magnum Lokoya Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon 2005**

estimated value: \$650

Since its founding by Jess Jackson of Jackson Family Wineries in 1995 Lokoya has been producing distinctly renowned Cabernet Sauvignons from four of Napa's most famed mountain appellations: Mount Veeder, Howell Mountain, Spring Mountain and Diamond Mountain. The combination of these high elevation sites with the small, thick-skinned berries requires precise management and advanced winemaking skills to create the acclaimed wines that make up Lokoya.

The 2005 received 96 points from The Wine Advocate, "Another tiny production cuvée was the 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Howell Mountain. Forest floor, charcoal, incense, white chocolate and pen ink are all present in this full-bodied, rich and concentrated wine. It's just a shame there is so little of it. It should continue to drink well for another 20 years, much like all of these wines."

**Donated by Fred and Wendy Salter**

# 214

## **Château Beychevelle 10 Year Check-in**

estimated value: \$175

**1 - bottle Château Beychevelle 2006**

**1 - bottle Château Beychevelle 1996**

Here is your chance to taste Beychevelle a decade apart! Always a better time when Philippe Blanc can be with us in person - so a great opportunity to celebrate!

The identity of Beychevelle is based on a legend. At the beginning of the 17th century, the Château became the property of the First Duke of Épernon. He was so powerful that ships sailing the Gironde had to lower their sails up until the castle as a sign of respect and allegiance to the Duke. It was during this time that the domaine acquired its emblem, a griffon-bowed ship with its Gascon-derived name "Baisse voile" that would later become Beychevelle.

A superb property with beautiful gardens, Château Beychevelle produces one of the prestigious wines from the Saint-Julien appellation. The uniqueness of Beychevelle's terroir is due to its magnificent Garonne gravel outcrops and its prime location in the immediate vicinity of the Gironde, which helps regulate and protect against the climate.

As exceptional wines, the style of Château Beychevelle is typified by its consistent, excellent quality. Powerful, fleshy and structured, they express the elegance and finesse of the exceptional terroir of Saint-Julien. Made for cellaring, the wines of Château Beychevelle evolve superbly over the years. This is your chance to discover for yourself!

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**

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# 215

## **1 - Double Magnum Château Guiraud 2016**

estimated value: \$350

This is the first year we have not had Château Guiraud participating in Heart's Delight and we are truly indebted to the Planty family for their generosity over the years and their friendship. This lovely 3 liter is courtesy of Sandrine Garbay with the promise that Château Guiraud will be back next year.

It was awarded 95 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2016 Guiraud has a pale lemon color and opens with musk perfume, paraffin, cedar and spice box notes with a core of lemon tart, honey-drizzled white peaches and kumquat plus a waft of quince paste. The palate has beautiful vibrancy and loads of lively tropical and spicy layers, finishing very long."

**Donated by Château Guiraud**

# 216

## The Omni Homestead Resort

estimated value: \$1,400

Enjoy a one night, midweek stay for two in deluxe accommodations including breakfast for two and two flights of wine at the Virginia Wine Experience.

Experience the southern hospitality and elegant charm that have made this Virginia mountain resort a premier destination for 23 U.S. presidents. Located across more than 2,000 acres of scenic Virginia landscape, this resort in Hot Springs, VA provides timeless comforts and access to an array of exciting activities no matter the season. From the full-service spa featuring the same mineral waters that President Thomas Jefferson experienced in 1818, to two of the best golf courses in Virginia, you're sure to have an experience unlike any other when you stay at The Omni Homestead Resort.

**Restrictions:** Expires May 20, 2024. Subject to availability and requires advance reservations. Not valid during holidays and during certain blackout periods.

**Donated by The Omni Homestead Resort**

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# 217

## Rockmere Vineyards Library Collections Box

estimated value: \$350

**1 - bottle Rockmere Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2018**

**1 - bottle Rockmere Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2019**

**1 - bottle Rockmere Barrel Select '728' Cabernet Sauvignon 2019**

Rockmere is a family owned vineyard which was conceived of with one goal in mind - to create distinctive, age worthy Cabernet Sauvignon wines. Located at the base of the Vaca Mountains, cooler temperatures and fog laden mornings ripen our grapes slowly and evenly. All wines are made from estate grown fruit, and they limit production to just a few hundred cases per year allowing them to focus on the smallest details in the vineyard and the winery.

"The 2018 showcases a signature black fruit profile. The wine's graceful structure makes it particularly food friendly. The 2019 features a black and red fruit profile - cassis and blackberry are seamlessly layered with red cherry. Hints of sage, rosemary, and lavender complement the fruit character thanks to the vineyard's rocky soil. This bottling maintains a firm structure while added time in French oak barrels. The 2019 '728' comes from one of 5 barrels for this limited release. It offers a plush black fruit foundation and you will detect hints of espresso bean, lavender, and nutmeg through an incredibly long finish." – Winemaker notes

**Donated by Rockmere Vineyards**

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# 218

## VIP Wolf Trap Ticket Package

estimated value: \$1,750

What is summer in DC without going to Wolf Trap?? The lucky winner will receive two in-house tickets to a 2023 Summer Filene Center performance of your choice. This package includes VIP parking, access to the Encore Circle Lounge, Wolf Trap's private, air-conditioned facility for food and relaxing throughout the evening.

Originally built in 1970, the Filene Center is a beautiful outdoor amphitheater designed to be in harmony with its national park setting. The venue hosts more than 80 performances each summer, as well as two free annual celebrations—the Summer Blast Off! and the Holiday Sing-A-Long with the “President’s Own” US Marine Band.

Since the first performance in 1971, world-renowned artists from every genre have graced the Filene Center stage—many returning over and over again due to the extraordinary setting. A typical season includes a mix of legends and chart-toppers.

**Restrictions:** Valid for 2023 Summer Wolf Trap Filene Center Season. Tickets are subject to availability.

**Donated by Wolf Trap Foundation for The Performing Arts**

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# 219

## Rhys Bearwallow Vineyards 2020

estimated value: \$450

**3 - bottles Rhys Bearwallow Vineyard Pinot Noir 2020**

**3 - bottles Rhys Bearwallow Vineyard Chardonnay 2020**

We love Rhys Vineyards at Heart’s Delight and so does Maureen Nelson who is always generous and shares her allocation with the lucky auction winners.

Rhys Vineyards aspires to make great Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Syrah from some of California’s most unique and expressive vineyards. This pursuit has led them to search the state for exciting rocky soils that exist within the mountainous, cool, Coastal climate zone.

While driving northwest on Hwy 128 through the “Deep End” of Anderson Valley, it is difficult not to be struck by the majesty of Bearwallow Vineyard. As you round the bend, the sight of the steep vineyard-covered hills rising above the redwoods is quite spectacular. After tasting many examples of the elegant, mineral driven Pinot Noir that these “Deep End” hills can produce they were extremely excited to be able to acquire such a prime site in 2008.

Here is your chance to taste the current release!

**Donated by Maureen Nelson**

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# 220

## **2 - bottles Château Climens 2005**

estimated value: \$200

97 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2005 Château Climens just soars from the glass with layers of clear honey, marmalade, nectarine and minerals all beautifully carved. The palate is medium-bodied with fresh, vibrant honeyed fruit that builds and builds in the mouth in tandem with a killer line of acidity. Even though it is a convincing, great Climens, you also have the impression that it is only just beginning to show what it is capable of. Bérénice Lurton and her team excelled in this vintage and it comes strongly recommended."

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**

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# 221

## **Blenheim Vineyards Painted Red Wines Mini Vertical**

estimated value: \$300

**1 - bottle Blenheim Vineyards Painted Red 2019**

**1 - bottle Blenheim Vineyards Painted Red 2020**

**1 - bottle Blenheim Vineyards Painted Red 2021, autographed by Dave Matthews and is one of a kind.**

Located in Charlottesville Virginia, Blenheim Vineyards has been crafting quality and sustainable 100% Virginia grown wines and managing 32 acres of estate vineyards for the past 10 years.

And we have to say it – it is owned by musician Dave Matthews! In fact, he designed the labels and the 2021 is autographed by Dave Matthews!

They are minimalistic in their winemaking, depending on growing beautiful, healthy fruit, and then work hard in the winery to limit the amount of intervention imposed. Their wines lean more fruit forward and friendly for food pairings. Nothing stays in the barrel for more than a year, keeping them approachable and drinkable when they are young.

**Donated by Blenheim Vineyards**

# 222

## Middleburg Two-Night Stay for Six Guests

estimated value: \$2,000

Middleburg, Virginia is just under an hour from DC but feels like a different world. With this amazing house in Middleburg you are within walking distance to the charming historic downtown, set against the backdrop of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Enjoy local boutiques, horse shows, farms, and wineries. Your lovely accommodations are just a short walk to the National Sporting Museum, and while Middleburg's historic district is less than a mile long, it is filled with many unique stores, including equestrian shops, high-end clothing boutiques, fine art galleries and much, much more.

Chestnut Cottage has three queen bedrooms, two and a half baths. Included with your stay is a gift certificate for pizza and wine at Knead Wine and six tastings at Slater Run Vineyards.

Step back in time to a place like no other. Middleburg was established in 1787 by American Revolutionary War Lieutenant Colonel and Virginia statesman John Leven Powell, who purchased the property from Joseph Chinn, a cousin of George Washington. Powell changed the name from "Chinn's Crossroads" to Middleburg because the town was the halfway point between Alexandria and Winchester along the popular Ashby Gap trading route, along what is today Route 50.

**Restrictions:** Expires May 2024. Mutually agreeable date. No pets.

**Donated by Barry and Bambi Landew**

# 223

## 1 - Magnum Edge Hill Chardonnay Bacigalupi Vineyard 2017

estimated value: \$300

Located in St. Helena on the edge of the Mayacamas mountains, Edge Hill was purchased from the Martinis in 1999 by Leslie Rudd, owner of Rudd Estate. Edge Hill's history dates back to 1867. There is something incredibly singular and evocative about the character of the Mixed Blacks and Abel 1833 that is not just delicious, but compelling, conjuring a real sense of unique vineyard personality.

It received 92 points from the Wine Spectator, "Offers a honeysuckle aroma, with zesty floral hints to the mineral-infused green apple and ripe citrus flavors. Pastry notes show on the finish, complemented by sea salt accents. Drink now through 2025. 294 cases made."

**Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George**

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# 224

## Dagne Dover Medium Allyn Tote in Graphite

estimated value: \$340

The Medium Allyn can keep up with just about any pace. It might look like a trendy tote on the outside, but it works super hard on the inside. Probably a lot like you. While the magnetic tab closure gives you more space when you need it, the interior snap fastener gives you an alternative way to carry. The neoprene laptop sleeve and bottle holder protect your valuables and keep water in its place. Interior pockets keep your things organized and out of sight if needed. And, as always, they've included their signature key leash because who doesn't love this seemingly simple lifesaver?

**Donated by Dagne Dover**

## Château Cos d'Estournel – 20 years apart Vertical

estimated value: \$400

**1 - bottle Château Cos d'Estournel 1998**

**1 - bottle Château Cos d'Estournel 1978**

We are so excited to welcome back Cos d'Estournel to Heart's Delight. It was a favorite of my dad's and I wanted to add a lot to honor that!

Château Cos d'Estournel is a dense, deep and intense wine with spicy aromas beautifully balanced by the fruit. On the palate, this wine reveals silky tannins, which lead into a long finish.

For those lucky enough to have been able to visit the chateau, you cannot miss the superb pagodas of Cos d'Estournel which sit on the heights of Saint-Estephe. Louis-Gaspard d'Estournel inherited this estate, which is known as "The Maharajah of Saint-Estephe." Founded in 1811, the estate is located on the Cos hillside and was gradually shaped by this visionary who went to the four corners of the world to bring his wine and to win new customers. Even today, the estate benefits from a terroir of great complexity and incredible richness. The 91-hectare vineyard is made up of a mosaic of 61 parcels that is planted with two-thirds Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest completed with Merlot, and a small proportion of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot.

Along with its emblematic palace and idyllic terroir, Cos d'Estournel has become known for fully embracing modern technology in the production of its wines.

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**



# 226

## Down Under Lot

estimated value: \$700

- 1 - bottle Domaine Naturaliste Artus Chardonnay 2017, Margaret River, Australia
- 1 - bottle Zonte's Footstep 'Baron Von Nemesis' Shiraz 2019, Langhorne Creek, Australia
- 1 - bottle Hickinbotham Elder Hill Grenache, McLaren Vale 2016
- 1 - bottle Penfolds Bin 407 Cabernet Sauvignon, South Australia 2019
- 1 - bottle Tyrell's Semillon, Hunter Valley 2018, New South Wales, Australia
- 1 - bottle Rockburn Pinot Noir 2020, Central Otago, New Zealand
- 1 - bottle Standish The Relic Shiraz – Viognier 2016, Barossa Valley, Australia
- 1 - bottle Mitolo "GAM" Shiraz 2003 McLaren Vale South Australia
- 1 - bottle Henry's Drive Dead Letter Office Shiraz 2006, South Australia
- 1 - bottle Elderton Shiraz 1997, Barossa, Australia
- 1 - bottle Lengs & Cooter Swinton Cabernet Sauvignon 1997, McLaren Vale, Australia

Here in the U.S., there has never been a better time to drink Australian wine. Exports, particularly of premium wines, are at the highest they've been in 15 years, meaning there's increased brand diversity and availability of Aussie wines.

Our committee has put together a lot of well-known names as well as some you haven't heard of and also threw in one wine from New Zealand.

**Donated by Laura & Adam Feinberg, Joel Kleinman, Elizabeth Miklos, Eric Platt, Pam Roberto, and Friends of Heart's Delight**

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# 227

## Gucci Sunglasses

estimated value: \$380

Gucci sunglasses celebrate a modern approach to fashion inspired by retro style, shining with meticulously designed details. The Italian fashion house infuses its women's sunglasses with the same bold and sophisticated styles that have kept the brand relevant and beloved for over a century. Artisans construct metal and acetate frames piece by piece, followed by a polishing and riveting process done by hand. Gucci women's sunglasses make a great option for both collectors and first-time buyers alike.

**Donated by Appelbaum Eyecare**

# 228

## Alexander McQueen Sunglasses

estimated value: \$380

Elevate your eyewear. Alexander McQueen offers luxury sunglasses that are a must have addition to your collection.

**Donated by Appelbaum Eyecare**

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# 229

## 1 - Magnum Tolaini Vallenuova Chianti Classico 2019

estimated value: \$60

This is Tolaini's first time pouring at Heart's Delight and we hope you have a chance to try their wine. There is a certain magic about the relationship between sun (southern exposure), soil, and altitude, which when combined give life to this Sangiovese. The Chianti Classico Vallenuova is made from a strict selection of Sangiovese harvested from the Estate. The wine matures for 10 months in oak casks, followed by 4 months in bottle. The result is a wine that is juicy and elegant. The name Vallenuova is the historic name of the site and is still today the formal address of the winery.

91 points from James Suckling, "Plums, cherry stones, blackberries and bark on the nose. Medium-bodied with firm, chewy tannins. Darker-fruit character here with a firm, slightly stern finish."

**Donated by Tolaini**

# 230

## Wine Class & Tasting with Bill Jensen

estimated Value \$500

In-person wine class and tasting led by Bill Jensen. Host a wine tasting in your home, office or wherever you would like for up to twelve guests. You will get to taste through six wines, based on a subject of the winner's choice.

Bill Jensen is the Co-Owner & Beverage Director of Tail Up Goat & Reveler's Hour in the Adams Morgan neighborhood of Washington, DC. He was honored with Michelin's 2021 Washington, DC Sommelier Award and serves on the Steering Committee for FLXcursion, an Internal Riesling Expo in the Finger Lakes. At the height of the pandemic lockdown, he launched the widely beloved Tail Up Goat Wine School which endured for two years of regular Sunday instruction. He currently hosts the regular podcast 'The Universe in a Glass' that engages beverage lovers from all walks of life and of every persuasion. He believes that drinking should be an act of replenishment, renewal, and discovery, and that wine functions best when it is not only about what's in the glass but becomes the sum of the place and the people who produce it.

**Restrictions:** Expires May 2024. To be held on a mutually agreeable date and class will be held at a mutually agreeable place of the winner's choice within the Washington DC Metropolitan area.

**Donated by Bill Jensen**



# 231

## **Venture Wines Magnums from 2014 and 2015**

estimated value: \$550

**1 - Magnum Venture Cabernet Sauvignon 2015**

**1 - Magnum Venture Cabernet Sauvignon 2014**

**1 - Magnum Venture 216 Cuvee 2015**

**1 - Magnum Venture 216 Cuvee 2014**

Welcome back to Scott Dilyard for his third Heart's Delight and he brings this great magnum package. Venture Wines is a small production wine label that strives to make balanced and enjoyable wines truly representing the fruit from exquisite vineyards in the Napa and Russian River Valleys. Their grapes are a reflection of both their nature and environment and yet can be brought to new life through winemaking, all the while remaining authentic to their essence. 'This process is a journey year-to-year but is the truest reflection of our Venture through our own lives.'

The 216 Cuvee is a 50/50 blend of Merlot and Cabernet Franc with aromatic notes of spicy black cherry and black raspberry. Lush cherry and black fruits with firm tannins with flavors black cherry combine to make a complex wine with a long, beautiful finish.

**Donated by Venture Wines**

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# 232

## **1 - bottle Fonseca Vintage Port 1985**

estimated value: \$100

"The 1985 Fonseca is still youthful in appearance with hardly any ageing on the rim. The nose offers kirsch, sloes and Christmas cake. With time, there are subtle notes of dried fig and dates beginning to emerge and add to the complexity. The palate is medium-bodied and beautifully balanced on the supple, rounded entry. It is not quite as complex as the aromatics, with dates and dried fig, the finish mellow and refined. It is very elegant for a Fonseca, weighty but supremely well focused. This is a fabulous Fonseca that is ready to drink now, but will age for another 30 or 40 years." 93 points - the Wine Advocate

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**



# 233

## Château Lynch Bages Ten Years Apart

estimated value: \$320

**1 - bottle Château Lynch-Bages 2016**

**1 - bottle Château Lynch-Bages 2006**

A unique opportunity to taste and compare the 2016 and 2006 Lynch-Bages – both great vintages.

The 2016 received 99 points from Jane Anson, “Muscular but finely-tuned, with a floral, rose-stem edge to Cabernet Sauvignon-dominant flavours that elevates this beyond its surrounding vintages, as is often the case with exceptional 2016s on the Left Bank. Give it time in the glass if you are going near it any time soon, and allow the brambled fruits to appear, with creamy black cherry and damson puree on full display finessed with pencil lead, plum pudding, liquorice and slate-strewn tannins that give a mouth-watering finish. Great stuff, this is one to savour over the long term. 75% new oak.”

The 2006 received 93 points from Jane Anson, “A touch subdued on the aromatics, still holding back even at 16 years old. As it opens it majors on earthy, rustic fruits, undergrowth, tobacco, tar, a big tannic body that is reflective of a vintage that was more complicated than the 2005, but that offered wines with frame and long ageability. As it opens, waves of liquorice root and rose petal appear. First vintage where Jean-Charles Cazes replaced his father Jean-Michel as director of the estate, and the first for Nicolas Labenne as technical director. 70% new oak.”

**Donated by Château Lynch-Bages**

## Component Wine 2020 Bordeaux Three Bottle Horizontal

estimated value: \$450

**1 - bottle Component les Galets 2020, Saint-Estèphe**

**1 - bottle Component des Romains 2020, Saint-Émilion**

**1 - bottle Component la Colline 2020, Saint-Émilion**

"Six years ago, a friend connected me to the then COO of Château Lynch-Bages, Stephen Bolger. I reached out to Stephen, who was running the private client production at Lynch-Bages, and pitched a crazy idea: taking the Burgundy model of winemaking to Bordeaux. This clicked - and we had the opportunity to chat about vineyard selection with two icons in the region: Eric Boissenot and Daniel Llose. On a rainy day in a château in the town center, they assembled 20+ vineyard samples for me to work with - from Pomerol, Margaux, Pauillac, Saint-Émilion, Saint-Estèphe and more. I was able to taste - for the first time in my life - micro appellation, single-vineyard wines made by the greats.

They walked me through what they each thought Merlot "was", "should be", and "could be". They shared stories of their times in each estate - stories of vintages, problems, successes & surprises. It was one of the greatest days of my wine life. In the end, we settled on wines that were authentic & true to place: 'la Colline' and 'des Romains' from Saint-Émilion & 'les Galets' from Saint-Estèphe. These wines exist nowhere else - they are singular, they are special and I cannot wait for you to experience them." - Michael Kennedy, Component Wines"

**Donated by Vin Fraîche Wine Group**

# 235

## **1 - Magnum Ramey Pedregal Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2016**

estimated value: \$410

We are so thankful for Ramey Wine Cellars for their longtime support of our auction and this year they sent another highly rated beauty.

96 points from the Wine Advocate: "The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Pedregal Vineyard from Oakville is blended with 15% Petit Verdot and offers the power and elegance of the best Cabernets from the 2016 vintage. Deep ruby in color, its aromas slowly unfurl from a core of Morello cherries to nuances of cigar wrappers and meaty undertones. The full-bodied palate is concentrated yet weightless, with pixelated tannins, seamless acidity and a very long finish with latent savory undertones. This powerful Cabernet has much more to offer as it develops in bottle and will be long lived in the cellar."

**Donated by Ramey Wine Cellars**

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# 236

## **2 - bottles Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2006**

estimated value: \$200

We are so excited that Emeline Borie will be with us in person this year!

The 2006 received 96 points from Decanter, "Among the most seductive noses from Pauillac. Strong, cassis-stained palate with a lovely sense of upwards motion and smooth, silky tannins that are starting to ease into the structure. Another vintage that shows why GPL is such a consistent player. (JA)"

And 94 points from the Wine Advocate, "Tasted at Bordeaux Index's annual 10-Year On tasting in London. I raved about the 2006 Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste when I tasted it from barrel ten years ago. It has evolved a really quite beautiful, very classic Pauillac bouquet with vivacious blackberry, raspberry and wild mint aromas that deftly absorb the oak. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannin, perhaps a more forward "GPL" than other vintages, but there is genuine fineness to the tannin..."

**Donated by Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste**

# 237

## **The Art of Shaving**

estimated value: \$300

**Sandalwood Full Size Kit**

**Sandalwood Travel Kit**

**Sandalwood & Cypress Cologne**

The Art of Shaving offers elegant hand-crafted razors & shaving accessories for men. Their unrivaled products will elevate shaving from an act to an art. Both shave kits include pre-shave oil, shaving cream, a shave brush, and after-shave balm. Now you have one for home and one for travel!

**Donated by The Art of Shaving**

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# 238

## **3 - Magnums Renaissance Cabernet Sauvignon Premiere Cuvée 1999**

estimated value: \$540

Founded in 1978, Renaissance Winery is known to collectors, connoisseurs and wine-lovers the world over, for wines that are pure expressions of terroir and their distinctive style. Their vines are bio-dynamically farmed and the grapes are hand-picked. They avoid over-oaking during aging, so the wines are highly concentrated, and balanced. This Sierra Foothills vineyard is organically cultivated.

"Dark garnet in color, this wine smells of bright crushed herbs, forest floors, and red berries. In the mouth, juicy cherry and raspberry fruit has an electric brightness thanks to excellent acidity. Wonderful cedar and crushed herb flavors mix with forest floor and cedar. Great cherry and forest floor notes linger in the very long finish. Score: Between 9 and 9.5." - Alder Yarrow, Vinography. "Premiere Cuvée is Renaissance's intended 'signature' wine, the one the winery sees as the richest, fullest, most long-lived of its array of cabernets. Indeed, this is powerful, full-bodied wine, but it's nowhere near the fruit bombs so commonly found today. Instead, this is penetrating, dimensional cabernet suffused with an austere fruit and lovely balance..." - Matt Kramer

**Donated by Keith Levenberg**

# 239

## **BOOKER'S Small Batch Collection 2021-04 Noe Stranger's Batch**

estimated value: \$250

This batch celebrates the genuine, social nature of 6th Generation Master Distiller Booker Noe, and the way he could turn a stranger into a friend for life in no time. Booker taught his son, 7th Generation Master Distiller Fred Noe, to 'treat others how he would want to be treated' — a lesson that the Noe family holds true to this day. Like they always say at the distillery: come as friends, leave as family.

2021-04 Booker's Small Batch Collection 'Noe Strangers' Batch Kentucky Straight Bourbon was the last Booker's Small Batch release of 2021. While might be the last, it is far from the least! Aged for 6.5 years and 12 days in #4 char new white oak casks and finished to 124.4 proof, this premium whiskey contains a mash bill of 77% corn, 13% rye, and 10% malted barley. Unique to Booker's SB Collection, the series is profiled by carefully selected barrels derived from different production dates and warehouses. Highly collectible and produced in limited quantities, don't let this bottle be a 'stranger' to you!

Booker's "Noe Strangers Batch" has a nice color coming from the time it rested in charred white oak barrels. The aroma has vanilla and brown spice, with a sweetness that continues upon the first sip. The initial heat isn't overwhelming and leaves a taste that's balanced with a long and warm finish.

**Donated by Beam Suntory**

# 240

## Château Lascombes Collection

estimated value: \$380

**2 - bottles Château Lascombes 2017**

**2 - bottles Château Lascombes 2016**

We are so sorry that Karine Barbier was not able to be with us this year but fingers crossed for next year.

Both the 2016 and 2017 received 94 points from the Wine Advocate and Jeb Dunnuck who wrote, "The 2016 Château Lascombes is another brilliant Margaux, and I was blown away by this wine on two separate occasions. Sporting a deep purple color as well as a thrilling bouquet of cassis, smoked earth, charcoal, and tobacco, it hits the palate with medium to full-bodied richness, has obvious minerality, a big palate presence, and a terrific sense of elegance and purity. It's a beautiful wine, and while I'd happily enjoy bottles today, it's going to keep for 25-30 years." And of the 2017, "Deep purple-colored, the 2017 Chateau Lascombes offers up a rocking bouquet of blackcurrants, mocha, espresso roast, tobacco, and cedary spice. Beautifully concentrated, medium to full-bodied, and opulent even on the palate (which isn't the case for many wines), it's beautifully balanced, has ripe, polished tannins, and a great finish. This is a hedonistic yet beautifully balanced, stunning 2017 that will drink nicely for 20 years or more."

**Donated by Château Lascombes**

## Brooks Collection

estimated value: \$140

**1 - bottle Brooks ARA Riesling 2012**

**1 - bottle Brooks Janus Pinot Noir 2013**

**1 - bottle Brooks Pinot Blanc 2015**

**1 - bottle Brooks Rastaban Pinot Noir 2012**

Janie Brooks Heuck and Winemaker, Chris Williams are great friends of Heart's Delight and we are so excited to welcome back Janie for all of the fun this year! Founded in 1998, Brooks is a reflection of the visionary Portland native, Jimi Brooks. His reverence for the land and vines made him a practitioner of organic and biodynamic farming. The great respect for vineyard individuality and mastery of blending, allowed his wines to achieve the greatest depth, flavors and balance.

"The 2012 Riesling Ara comes from the estate vineyard and a second in the Yamhill area. The bouquet is very attractive with scents of nectarine, blood orange and honeysuckle aromas that are very intense and well defined. The palate is brisk on the entry with a fine bead of acidity that cuts through the slightly viscous texture. There is great weight and real energy here, getting to the essence of Riesling better than many Oregon Rieslings that I have encountered. Excellent." 90 points – the Wine Advocate

In Roman mythology, Janus is the God representing balance for new beginnings and endings, the future and the past, and the connecting doorways. Janus is Brooks' flagship wine. It possesses the richest, most vibrant and intense blend they produce. This wine is the ultimate expression of Pinot Noir!

The Pinot Blanc has, "Juicy fruit flavors carry a pleasantly candied character, dappled with hints of cinnamon and pepper flakes. It's broad and appealing, with a touch of mint enlivening the finish." – Wine Enthusiast

The Rastaban is comprised of 3 clones of pinot noir grapes located in the Eola-Amity Hills. These clones are Pommard, 115, and 777. The vines were planted between 1973 and 1979 in volcanic basalt-nekia soil. Brooks Estate Vineyard is farmed biodynamic. Rastaban is the name of a star and that star is the eye of a constellation called Draco. This is one of the first and more reserved pinot noir labels Jimi Brooks produced. Jimi's passion and interests of mythology and astrology often were shown through the creation of his first wines.

**Donated by Brooks Wine**

# 242

## **1 - Magnum Williams Selyem Precious Mountain Vineyard Pinot Noir 2018**

estimated value: \$220

The Precious Mountain Vineyard produces some of Williams Selyem's most precious grapes. The vineyard is named after the owners, whose German last name of Schatzberg may be translated as precious mountain. Their high ridge top vineyard is just that. The Schatzbergs have been growing Pinot Noir for Williams Selyem since 1996.

97 points from Wine Enthusiast, "Inviting aromas of strawberry and orange are seasoned in more brooding components of forest floor, cardamom and oak in this coastal wine. Broad tannins provide grip and grit to the generous, weighty texture."

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**

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# 243

## **4 - bottles La Dame de Montrose 2011**

estimated value: \$300

La Dame de Montrose comes from a second selection and is produced from the same vineyard and with the same care as the Château Montrose. The 2011 Second Wine from Château Montrose is 72% Merlot and 28% Cabernet Sauvignon.

This 2011 Saint-Estephe reveals a beautiful silky cherry red color with a medium depth. The very expressive and concentrated nose is slightly sweet and woody. A blend of red berry, raspberry and Morello cherry aromas is given off. On the palate, La Dame Montrose offers a strong and distinguished attack that combines suppleness and tight tannins. The latter are less pronounced on finish although they reveal great length.

**Donated by Château Montrose**



**Carruades de Lafite – A Decade Apart**

estimated value: \$500

**1 - bottle Carruades de Lafite 2010**

**1 - bottle Carruades de Lafite 2000**

It was a great honor to have Baron Eric de Rothschild with us last year and we are excited to offer a couple of bottles from Carruades de Lafite for the auction this year.

"The 2010 Chateau Lafite-Rothschild Carruades de Lafite offers a smoky nose and a fleshy sensation with dark plum, charcoal and coffee notes. These are the characteristics of a nice grip on the finish which reveals a sensation of persistent plum skin in this second wine from Pauillac.

Robert Parker describes the 2000 Carruades de Lafite as a brilliant second wine, the 2000 Carruades de Lafite (51.4% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42.3% Merlot, 4.9% Cabernet Franc, and 1.4% Petit Verdot), aged in 10-15% new French oak, shows wonderfully sweet lead pencil shavings intermixed with an elegant black cherry and cassis nose."

**Donated by Château Lafite Rothschild**

## **Wine & Cheese Party for Twelve with Cheese to the People and Gemini Wine Company**

estimated value: \$1,500

David Hale of Gemini Wine Company and Kristin Evans of Cheese to the People will curate and host a private themed wine and cheese event in your home or business for up to 12 guests.

The event will include personal consultation on theme and event format, consultation on wine and cheese pairing for up to 4 selections each, and 2 hours of David and Kristin! In addition, the host and all guests will be offered a discounted rate on purchasing the wines shown or memberships to Gemini Wine Company.

Gemini Wine Company is a new e-retailer in Northern Virginia offering monthly memberships and local delivery for hand-selected wine, as well as wine concierge and event services.

Cheese to the People is a local service connecting cheese lovers with artisan cheese makers and mongers, and provides handcrafted cheese boards and gift baskets for both business and personal occasions.

David Hale spent many years in the DC wine scene, mainly working for late Chef Michel Richard at both Citronelle and Central.

Kristin Evans is a longtime DC-area sommelier, notably as the Wine Director at Black Salt. Her new venture Cheese to the People showcases her skills as a certified cheesemonger.

**Restrictions:** Event date and time to be mutually determined between winning bidder, David, and Kristin between June 15, 2023, and June 15, 2024. Event location must be within 30 miles of Washington, DC.

**Donated by Cheese to the People and Gemini Wine Company**

# 246

## **3 - bottles Le Carillon d'Angélus 2012**

estimated value: \$450

"His second wine, the 2012 Carillon de L'Angélus, has turned out well for proprietor Hubert de Boüard. Dense ruby purple, it is soft and round, with deep fruit, light tannin and a nicely textured mouthfeel. This is a serious second wine..." – Robert Parker

**Donated by Château Angélus**

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# 247

## **Turley Wine Cellars 2013 Magnums**

estimated value: \$200

**1 - Magnum Turley Estate Zinfandel 2013**

**1 - Magnum Turley Estate Petite Syrah 2013**

The Estate Vineyard is special to everyone at Turley; right in their backyard, it's what they see every day at work (and from the family home!). They have slowly and steadily planted additional head-trained dry-farmed Zinfandel vines to complement the original planting from the mid-1990s, and the entire property is certified organic. Taking a page from their beloved old vine vineyards, they've also planted several of the varieties most commonly interplanted in old Zinfandel vineyards, including Carignane, Trousseau, and Cinsault.

The Estate Petite Syrah is planted adjacent to the Estate Zinfandel, this Petite Syrah is also certified organic. The area used to be Wappo Indian grounds and obsidian arrowheads are commonplace in the rocky volcanic soils. The wines are classic Napa Valley Petite Syrah: dark and brooding on the nose, bright and vibrant on the palate.

**Donated by Turley Wine Cellars**

# 248

## Beer Making Kit

estimated value: \$100

**Beer and Food book by Mark Dredge**

**Brooklyn Brew Shop Beer Tasting Set**

**Brooklyn Brew Shop Beer Making Kit (Totally Hopped Pale)**

**The Beer Deck by Frausto & Co.**

Making your own beer is fun and it is easy! Brooklyn Brew Shop's Beer Making Kits are reusable and include the brewing equipment and ingredients for a one-gallon, all-grain batch of beer.

They are compact and designed for kitchens of all sizes. They are the perfect introduction to brewing your own beer. Available in a ton of seasonally-inspired beer styles, this one includes Totally Hopped Pale. All Beer Making Kits include the equipment & ingredients for your first batch. The equipment is reusable, so you'll just need a new Beer Making Mix for future batches.

The Beer Tasting Set features four five-ounce snifters and a Beer Tasting Notes booklet with tasting instructions, suggested tastings, and space for notes for dozens of tastings. It's an essential companion for any beer lover.

**Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight**

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# 249

## Taco Bamba Taqueria

estimated value: \$200

Taco Bamba is Chef Victor Albisu's irreverent take on Mexican street food and tacos in both traditional and chef-driven styles. There is a Taco Bamba in Ballston, Falls Church, Springfield, Herndon, Gaithersburg, Landmark, Rockville, Vienna and coming soon to DC! With this gift card you will be able to try all of the traditional and modern takes on tacos.

**Donated by Taco Bamba**

# 300

## 3L Covert Estate Coombsville Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

estimated value: \$700

Welcome to Emily Floyd for her first Heart's Delight and thanks for this lovely 3 liter! Covert Estate is in the eastern hills of the Vacas Mountain Range, in the Coombsville appellation. It was started by three couples with backgrounds as wine collectors or vintners: Cal and Pam Nicholson, Dave and Laura Nestor, and Julien and Elan Fayard. Julien Fayard is Covert's winemaker, and the estate applies traditional Bordeaux winemaking techniques to Coombsville terroir. Covert wines are only available through the estate's mailing list, but this is your chance to take this big bottle home with you!

"A modern expression of Coombsville Cabernet Sauvignon that draws more than a little inspiration from France. On the nose, sweet blackcurrant and soft earth notes invite a second sniff. The palate presents an abundance of luscious black fruit grounded in a savory backbone of earth and dried herbs. Though fully ripe, the wine maintains a wonderful natural freshness and energy with soft, structured tannins and long, dynamic finish." – winemaker notes

**Donated by Covert Estate**



**Sine Qua Non 2015**

estimated value: \$600

**1 - bottle Sine Qua Non Syrah Trouver L'Arene 2015****1 - bottle Sine Qua Non Grenache Le Chemin Vers L'Heresie 2015**

100 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "Composed of 80.5% Syrah, 7% Petite Syrah, 7% Mourvèdre, 2% Grenache and 3.5% Viognier, all sourced from estate vineyards - 37% The Third Twin, 36% Eleven Confessions and 27% Cumulus - the 2015 Syrah Trouver L'Arene was made using 34% whole cluster and has a deep purple-black color with intense cassis, black plums and black cherries scents plus hints of anise, violets, sage and tar, with wafts of savory/smoked meat suggestions. Full-bodied, this voluptuous beauty is seriously singing in the mouth, belting out vibrant red and black fruit flavor layers, all framed by very fine, rounded, ripe tannins and a wonderful freshness, finishing with persistent perfumed fruit and a spring in its step."

"The 2015 Grenache Le Chemin Vers L'Heresie is a blend of 75% Grenache, 13% Mourvèdre, 8% Touriga Nacional and 4% Petite Sirah, coming 35% from The Third Twin (Estate) Vineyard, 9% from Bien Nacido Vineyard, 28% from the Cumulus (Estate) Vineyard, 26% from the Eleven Confessions (Estate) Vineyard and 2% from Molly Aida (Estate) Vineyard. It was produced using 44% whole cluster and aged for around 22 months in French oak, 11% new (bottled August 21, 2017). It has a deep garnet-purple color and fragrant nose of violets, kirsch, blueberry compote and dark chocolate with hints of lavender, smoky bacon, Provence herbs and menthol. Full-bodied, rich, concentrated and bold, the wines bursts with energy, superbly framed by velvety tannins and seamless freshness, finishing with lingering sautéed herbs and black pepper notions." 98+ points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate.

**Donated by Neal Mollen**

# 302

## **SALT. Optics Coolidge Sunglasses**

estimated value: \$515

Inspired by nature's effortless beauty, SALT. is an independent premium eyewear brand, dedicated to perfecting fit and establishing positive human connections that inspire.

No matter what vehicle you're behind the wheel of, or how fast you're going, the Coolidge provides the ultimate blend of driving performance and style. Equipped with SALT. lenses engineered for the highest quality optics, this subtle teardrop frame pays homage to the Italian driving eyewear that launched the sunglass industry.

**Donated by SALT. Optics**

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# 303

## **SALT. Optics Courtney Sunglasses**

estimated value: \$490

Designed by opticians, to ensure you have the best fitting glasses; made using best-in-class materials, selected to fit comfortably and last generations; manufactured in Japan to the highest standards. All this, to achieve the best fitting glasses that are timeless. Get ready to take on your day, and the world, wearing the Courtney. These vintage-inspired, rounded, cat-eye shaped glasses lend timeless style and effortless beauty to any look.

**Donated by SALT. Optics**

# 304

## Maureen's JJ Prüm Lot

estimated value: \$500

- 1 - bottle Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Auslese 2019
- 1 - bottle Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Auslese 2019
- 1 - bottle Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Spatlese 2015
- 1 - bottle Graacher Himmelreich Riesling Spatlese 2015
- 1 - 375ml Wehlener Sonnenuhr Riesling Goldkap Auslese 2007
- 1 - 375ml Wehlener Sonnenuhr Goldkap Auslese 2001

If you already know - or are just about to discover - that German Riesling is delicious and very food-friendly, then bid on this lot of great bottles from one of the greatest white wine estates of the world, Weingut Joh. Jos. Prüm, aka, JJ Prüm. Our generous donor has been buying and enjoying these wines for much longer than she'd like to admit; indeed, JJ Prüm is the most represented domain in her wine cellar. These wines have been perfectly stored and may be enjoyed next week or 25 years hence and anytime in-between.

**This donation is in honor of Alan Rosenblum.**

**Donated by Maureen Nelson**



# 305

## Afternoon Sightseeing Flight and Chesapeake Bay Sunset Dinner

estimated value: \$1,200

Treat yourself and someone special to a truly unique outing. Your adventure starts with an afternoon sightseeing flight over the Eastern Shore of Maryland and the Delaware/Maryland beaches in a Cirrus SR22. The SR22 is the most innovative advanced piston single engine, 4 seat aircraft in the world. The aircraft boasts all-composite construction and the unique Cirrus Airframe Parachute System (CAPS), providing the aircraft with advanced performance and safety.

As a part of your adventure, you will land in Cambridge, Maryland and enjoy a sunset dinner at the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort, Spa and Marina. Enjoy the breathtaking water view while dining as this is THE place to view the best sunset that the Chesapeake Bay has to offer.

After dinner, you'll enjoy a spectacular evening flight to return home, taking in the lights of Annapolis and Baltimore on your way back to Montgomery County Airpark.

**Restrictions:** Mutually established between the recipient and the donor. Depart and return to Montgomery County Airpark, Gaithersburg, Maryland.

**Donated by Brent Kynoch and the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort, Spa and Marina**

**1 - Double Magnum Almaviva 2020 in OWB**

estimated value: 700

Welcome back to Almaviva again this year! In 1997, Baroness Philippine de Rothschild, Chairman of the Advisory Board of Baron Philippe de Rothschild SA, and Eduardo Guisasti Tagle, Chairman of Vina Concha y Toro S.A., sealed a partnership agreement to create an exceptional Franco-Chilean wine called Almaviva. The label bears the name Almaviva in Beaumarchais' handwriting. Two great traditions thus join hands to offer the whole world a promise of pleasure and excellence.

The 2020 received 98 points from James Suckling, "Fresh and deep nose, full of blueberries, minty cassis, mussels, cigars, dark spice and roasted sesame oak, which will need a year or two to fully integrate. A medium-to-full-bodied Almaviva with supple, silky tannins and wealth of black and blue fruit that provides a lot of charm now. Voluptuous and flattering on the palate, hallmarked by its tension and taut texture. Very long. This is the 25th anniversary bottling."

96 points Wine Advocate! "2020 was exceptionally dry, with 75% less rain than usual in the period between May and September, which resulted in an earlier harvest to produce a 2020 Almaviva with 68% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Carmenere (from Peumo), 6% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot, so with no Merlot this time. The wine reached good ripeness with 14.9% alcohol. What was amazing in 2020 was that they harvested the Carmenere almost five weeks earlier than they normally would, and the result is not a green wine at all."

**Donated by Almaviva Winery**

# 307

## **Visit L.A. for some Real Time with Bill Maher + Eat at Redbird**

estimated value: \$570

Get ready to soak up the lights, camera, action, and food of LA!

You will receive two VIP tickets to a live taping of Real Time with Bill Maher! As a VIP audience member, you and your guest will be given preferential seating on a taping date of your choosing. During tapings, Bill Maher welcomes a panel of three guests from diverse parts of the political spectrum for a lively discussion of current events. Package includes Real Time with Bill Maher swag.

You will also receive a \$250 gift card to Redbird in Downtown Los Angeles. Heart's Delight favorite, Chef Neal Fraser and Amy Knoll Fraser's flagship restaurant features Modern American cuisine that is refined yet approachable and highlights the multi-cultural influences of Fraser's native city - Los Angeles. Wine Director Matt Fosket's selections are well rounded with great finds from both established and emerging wine regions throughout the world and the list has received many awards including "Top 100 wine restaurants in the United States" by Wine Enthusiast and the "Best of Award of Excellence" from Wine Spectator.

**Donated by Real Time with Bill Maher and Neal Fraser & Amy Knoll Fraser of Redbird**

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# 308

## **6 - bottles Sauternes 2010 (declassified d'Yquem)**

estimated value: \$300

There is a rumor that this is declassified d'Yquem. Today, declassified grapes are also used to produce a special blend of declassified d'Yquem that is only available to employees through internal sales at the property. The wine is not meant to be sold as a commercial product, so this is a very unique opportunity!

**Donated by François Lang**

# 309

## 1650 Map of Provence by Nicolas Sanson

estimated value: \$500

An original 370-year-old (c. 1650), hand colored map of Provence published by Nicolas Sanson (1600-1667). Sanson is considered the Father of French map making and laid the groundwork for the Golden Age of French Cartography. Throughout much of the 17th Century the Dutch dominated map making in Europe but it was Sanson and his family who would make France a new center for the publication of important maps. He was appointed 'Cartographer to the King' by King Louis XIII. This beautiful map is full of details. It includes not only all the southern portions of Provence but also the cities of Avignon, Arles and Aix. Slightly northeast of Avignon is the Cote du Rhone wine growing region. Frame measurements 26 x 22.

**Donated by Scott and Peggy Ballin**



## Celebrating Mexican Winemakers

estimated value: \$1,500

- 1 - bottle Trasiego Selección Blanca 2020, Valle de Guadalupe, Mexico
  - 1 - bottle Monte Xanic Edición Limitada Malbec 2020, Valle de Guadalupe, Mexico
  - 1 - bottle Bodegas Santo Tomas, Tempranillo-Cabernet 2021 - Valle de Santo Tomas, Mexico
  - 1 - bottle Llamas Family Stagecoach Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2013, Napa Valley
  - 1 - bottle Rios Cabernet Sauvignon 2017, Stags Leap, Napa Valley
  - 1 - bottle Rios Cabernet Sauvignon 2016, Stags Leap, Napa Valley
  - 1 - bottle Rios Cabernet Sauvignon 2014, Stags Leap, Napa Valley
  - 3 - bottles Rios Sauvignon Blanc 2018, Usibelli Ranch, Napa Valley
- Private Tasting for four people with Rios winemaker, Manuel Rios, in Napa**  
**Club Tengo Hambre gift card for a Valle de Guadalupe Wine and Food Tour**

Thank you to Miranda Franco for championing this lot! This lot showcases the best of Mexico in the Valle and here in the US at the hands of Mexican vintners. Notably, Mexico's Valle de Guadalupe wine region continues to gain international prominence. The Valle has been referred to as the Napa Valley of Mexico, and for a good reason. This emerging region can yield world-class wines, blessed with a perfect climate, a centuries-old winemaking tradition, and surrounded by two seas. You can sample some of the Valle wines here and then plan a trip to visit with Club Tengo Hambre. Meanwhile, your next trip to Napa should focus on the brilliant talent of Mexican vintners with their beautiful offerings like Rios Wine Company and Llamas Family Wines. Their selections in this lot will likely compel you to book an immediate trip!

Manuel Rios, proprietor, began working in the vineyards at 10 years old alongside his father, Rafael Rios. Tending the vineyards became his passion which led him to establish Rios Farming Company, LLC in 1998. In 2004, his inclination for the vineyards and passion for wine led him to take the process from start to finish. He then created Rios Wine Company, LLC. You will savor his devotion in every vintage of Rios Wines you enjoy.

The Club Tengo Hambre Valle de Guadalupe Wine + Food Daycation is your ticket to an experience that Forbes ranks among the "World's Best Food Tours." Club Tengo Hambre shares- "there are few places more enchanting than Valle de Guadalupe. Set in an impossibly beautiful landscape, with a winemaking tradition dating back to the 17th century, this region's wines and vineyard-set campestre restaurants have somehow remained a well-kept secret. Club Tengo Hambre's 'Valle de Guadalupe Wine + Food Daycation' is a daylong getaway exploring the wines made by Valle producers and the regional takes on 'modern Mexican' by Baja California chefs.

**Restrictions:**

Club Tengo Hambre: A valid passport is required to participate in experiences. Severe food allergies and/or strict dietary needs cannot be accommodated– this includes Vegan diets and Food Allergies of any kind. Full list of lit of restrictions and disclosures on their website [www.clubtengohambre.com](http://www.clubtengohambre.com)

Rios Wine Co.: Visit on mutually agreed upon date.

**Donated by Miranda Franco, Bambi Landew, Club Tengo Hambre, and Rios Wine Co.**



# 311

## **1 - Magnum Day Wines Johan Pinot Noir 2021**

estimated value: \$120

Hopefully everyone has had a chance to meet the wonderful Brianne Day. It is her first Heart's Delight and John Brooks is a big fan so we couldn't wait for her to join us! She brought with her a current release from Johan Vineyard in the Van Duzer Corridor.

Johan Vineyard is an 85-acre, Demeter-certified biodynamic site in the Willamette Valley, south of McMinnville and west of Salem. This site is almost always their last Pinot pick of harvest. Although it's a relatively low-elevation site, due to its proximity to the coast and the winds that howl through the Van Duzer Corridor every summer afternoon, the fruit here tends to ripen later than in our other vineyards. The soils are primarily marine sediment with granitic glacial erratics, and the finished wines certainly are influenced by this composition in their structure and tension.

**Donated by Day Wines**

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# 312

## **2 - 375ml Dow's Vintage Port 1985**

estimated value: \$120

Robert Parker says, "this is an extraordinary house that seems to have been particularly successful with its vintage port since 1977. The 1985 is dark-ruby/purple. On the palate, this Dow is restrained, but rich, tannic, and full-bodied."

**Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold**

# 313

## **1 - Magnum Chapoutier De L'Oree Blanc 2008 in OWB**

estimated value: \$325

This is the first time Maison M. Chapoutier has participated in Heart's Delight and what a thrill to have them here tonight pouring. This wine is a flagship of M. Chapoutier's terroir expression, this single vineyard selection comes from 60-70 year old, Demeter certified organic and biodynamic marsanne vines, located on the Hermitage hillside, this plot offers low yields and very high quality. Michel Chapoutier's grandfather gave this name in reference to this parcel located on the edge of the Hermitage appellation (from the word "L'Orée"). The name also refers to the color "Gold," which is the glistening rich color of the wine. In accordance with the 2008 vintage, the De L'Oree Blanc can be cellared for up to 75 years.

Wine Advocate awarded this 94 points - "This brilliant white Hermitage from the top of the granite dome of this appellation offers notes of roasted hazelnuts, nectarine oil, citrus, quince and crushed rocks. Astonishingly full-bodied and rich...Very long in the mouth, with a fresh final note."

**Donated by Maison M. Chapoutier**

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# 314

## **OHOM Self-Heating Ceramics - Teapot and Mug**

estimated value: \$200

The comfort and sophistication of ceramic meets modern technology. Don't miss your opportunity to bid on OHOM's Leiph Self-Heating Teapot Set and Ui Self Heating Mug. Brew your tea directly into the self-heating teapot, which will also keep it at the perfect temperature to enjoy at your leisure. Or enjoy any hot beverage from the self-heating mug, with an electric pad which doubles as a wireless phone charger!

**Donated by OHOM**



# 315

## VIK Collection Box

estimated value: \$600

**1 - bottle VIK 2016**

**2 - bottles La Piu Belle 2019**

**2 - bottles Milla Cala 2018**

**2 - bottles La Piu Belle Champagne**

Experience VIK with a collection of their exceptional red blends and their new champagne.

VIK 2016 received 99 points from James Suckling, "Elegant and complex, intense but fresh... Unique characteristics that elevate it to the extraordinary. VIK is an assemblage reminiscent of Bordeaux, France. It stands out for its enveloping nature and its extraordinary evolution and ageing. Ideal for collectors of great wines."

La Piu Belle 2019 is a brilliantly intense wine, full of ideas and movement, as well as diverse. Here the Carmenere, as if it were a modern sound, gives volume to the mixture with black fruits and refreshing spices that dance of blue flowers, such as violets and lavenders, with white rose petals adorn together those complex layers of flavors elegantly with brilliant acidity deliver an infinite and at the same time sincere balance, to provide a long and leisurely ending to this story.

Milla Cala 2018 reflects Milahue Valley's pure terroir. Each variety dynamically contributes to the Bordeaux-style blend's complexity. Cabernet Sauvignon seduces with ripe dark berry fruit and supple velvet tannins. Merlot delivers plush stone fruit while Cabernet Franc elevates the blend with elegant minerality. Carmenere gives the blend its depth, body, and flavors of blackberries and plums, and Syrah finishes with floral notes of lavender and violets. Twenty months aging in French barrels impart final touches of spice and mocha.

La Piu Belle Champagne is the latest release, part of the "Artist's Collection" La Piu Belle. They are surprising the industry by releasing a Champagne from France, Millésime 2009, but also through a sleeve with foil and texture, something very difficult to achieve. They spent more than a year trying to accomplish the final result: an elegant and modern packaging, with a reminiscent essence of The Great Gatsby era. La Piu Belle brand name is a combination of 3 languages: Spanish, Italian, and French. It means the most beautiful one.

Science and knowledge are our foundation, passion is our engine and the wine is the expression of our art. Our "holistic" wines are the result of a magnificent, dynamic terroir and the best viticultural and winemaking techniques and practices. VIK vineyard was born amidst the foothills of the Andes mountains, within the Millahue Valley, named "Lugar de Oro" or "Golden Place" by the native Mapuche people. The vineyard is located on over 4,300 hectares of magnificent Chilean nature with a unique biodiversity.

**Donated by VIK Wine**

# 316

## Cocktail Essentials

estimated value: \$140

**Moulin Vodka - 750ml**

**Viski Stainless Steel Cocktail Shaker**

**Viski Crystal Faceted Tumblers**

**"The Curious Bartender" by Tristan Stephenson**

**Grow Cocktails Micro Garden**

Whether you're a cocktail legend or dipping your toe into a world of new curiosities, this package has something great for you. Viski brings beauty and function with a contoured gold version of the classic French-style shaker and an uncommonly captivating polyfaceted crystal tumbler set. Start your mixology sessions off by using this Moulin Vodka - "an intensely clean presentation that ends with just a suggestion of zested lime; a very soft, smooth mouth feel displaying subtle notes of vanilla evenly textured across the roof of the mouth and tongue; and a light, yet stylish, finish that feels perfectly balanced." The Curious Bartender is included to provide inspiration, or instructions on how to bring your favorite cocktails to life. Finally, add a personal touch to your beverages by using the Grow Cocktails Micro Garden to cultivate Thyme, Lavender, Thai Basil, Mint, Lemon Grass, and Blue Borage right in your own home.

**Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight**

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# 317

## 3L PINEA 2018

estimated value: \$700

Hugo del Pozzo is with us tonight and we hope you had a chance to meet him over the four days of Heart's Delight. Here is your chance to take home this 3-Liter of PINEA 2018. It is 100% Tempranillo, Barrel Fermented and Aged.

The Wine Spectator ranked the 2018 vintage of PINEA as tied-18th among all the wines tasted and awarded it 95 points. "Aromas of fruit, flowers, and spicy allowing a plush texture to emerge. Sweetness of black forest fruits and ripe black plum accompanied with scents of eucalyptus and spices enrich the harmonious finish. This taste is achieved through 24 months of aging in new French oak barrels, allowing those of us lucky to try it to create moments that last forever."

**Donated by Bodegas Pinea**

# 318

## **Boston Red Sox - 4 Field Box Seats**

estimated value: \$800

The winning bidder will have four tickets in a Field Box for a 2023 Red Sox Regular Season Home Game. The Field Boxes at Fenway Park are some of the best seats for a Red Sox game. These seats offer fantastic, unobstructed views from within 20 rows of the field. Guests will be hard-pressed to find a bad seat in this area.

Founded in 1901 as one of the American League's eight charter franchises, the Red Sox's home ballpark has been Fenway Park since 1912. It is the oldest active ballpark in MLB. Because of its age and constrained location in Boston's dense Fenway-Kenmore neighborhood, the park has many quirky features, including "The Triangle", Pesky's Pole, and the Green Monster in left field.

**Restrictions:** Must be booked by June 3rd. Not valid for opening day or Yankees game. Subject to availability

**Donated by Boston Red Sox**

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# 319

## **1 - Magnum Dalla Valle Cabernet Sauvignon 2018**

estimated value: \$525

97+ points from the Wine Advocate, "Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate comes soaring out of the glass with energetic notions of fresh blackberries, black cherries and cassis plus nuances of dark chocolate, kirsch, cardamom and tilled soil with a fragrant waft of violets. The full-bodied palate is densely packed with perfumed black fruit flavors, supported by firm, grainy tannins and seamless freshness, finishing long with loads of mineral accents.

Dalla Valle has been a longtime donor to Heart's Delight and we are so thankful for their continued support!

**Donated by Dalla Valle Vineyards**

# 320

## Antica Terra Winemaker for A Day with Maggie Harrison

estimated value: \$2,500

Antica Terra is one of the smaller Willamette Valley wine estates where winemaker, Maggie Harrison painstakingly crafts some of the best new world wines around. This lot is your opportunity to blend a custom cuvee under Maggie Harrison's tutelage!

Featuring an interactive seminar, you will learn how to blend wine. This is a virtual or in-person opportunity which you may experience solo or with a group of friends- collectively or in competition.

If opting for an in-person experience, you will be hosted by the winery in Dundee, Oregon and receive six bottles of your own bespoke cuvee custom bottled in the format of your choice (750 ml, Magnum). If virtual, participants will receive a shipment of five-barrel samples from the same Antica Terra barrels we use to make our wine, as well as everything else needed to create a personal winemaking tour de force. Two Blending Kits are included in the lot; more are available for purchase should the Zoom party expand.

All of the wines we produce at Antica Terra are the product of a process of the rarest kind:

blending blind. They approach winemaking with the goal of making the most beautiful wines that are possible in any given vintage. Their approach eschews dogma and trend, refuses to call decisions out in advance, and strips away bias in the blending process.

What that means is that they take a sample from every single barrel of, in this case, Pinot noir in the cellar, and put them into numbered sample bottles. Then moving through these blind samples and putting things together and taking them apart in every different way you can think of, looking for harmonies that exist in the cellar, for those places looking for the ignition of beauty. There's no volume that's too small to be able to do something with it. They are free from restrictions of sales, and relationships with our customers, distributors, and importers to just look for the highest possible answer and trust that if they stick really close to beauty, that all the rest of the puzzles will solve themselves.

**Restrictions:** Mutually agreeable date. Expires May 2024.

**Donated by Antica Terra**

# 321

## **Lutèce Chefs Table**

We are so excited to welcome Chef Matt Conroy for his first Heart's Delight. The lucky winning bidder of this lot will enjoy the Chefs Table with a 6-course menu. Lutèce is a New York Times 50 Best Restaurant that offers Michelin-starred Chef Matt Conroy's modern French cuisine with joyful natural wines. Lutèce is in the historic Georgetown neighborhood in Washington, DC serving modern and simple French cuisine in a cozy setting while celebrating local and seasonal ingredients from the surrounding region. The result is a cuisine of simplicity, resourcefulness, and originality – in the real neo-bistro style.

**Donated by Lutèce**

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# 322

## **1 - Double Magnum Château Giscours 2016**

estimated value: \$435

We are so sorry that the charming Alexander Van Beek is not able to join us this year but he did send this high scoring 3 liter. 96 points from James Suckling, "This has attractive, glossy, ripe red-plum and licorice aromas with cedar, flowers and red berries, as well as a stony edge. A very fragrant, cabernet-driven nose. The palate has elegance and grace with sleek and charming, balanced style and a discreet tannin structure that holds the finish long and fresh. A blend of 81% Cabernet Sauvignon and 19% Merlot. Try from 2023."

**Donated by Château Giscours**

# 323

## **VinGardeValise Luxury Luggage for Your Wine**

estimated value: \$380

Whether traveling across the country or across the globe, visiting vineyards means bringing wine home with you. The VinGardeValise is the most versatile piece of luggage available for the wine and beverage traveler – all insets are removable to allow for 2-12 bottles, just personal items, or BOTH!

FlyWithWine CEO Ron Scharman shares, “FlyWithWine was founded with a mission: to solve the single biggest problem faced by wine country travelers as they follow their dreams of visiting their favorite wineries around the world. How to bring their favorite wines back home with them safely and securely on an airplane so they can be enjoyed while reliving memories with every sip.”

**Donated by FlyWithWine**

**Châteauneuf-du-Pape is Poppin!**

estimated value: \$1,295

- 1 - bottle Domaine du Vieux Telegraphe Châteauneuf-du-Pape La Crau 2006
- 1 - bottle Domaine de la Janasse Châteauneuf-du-Pape Cuvée Chaupin 2017
- 1 - bottle Château de la Font du Loup Châteauneuf-du-Pape blanc 2000
- 1 - bottle Paul Avril Clos des Papes Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2003
- 1 - bottle Le Clos du Caillou Châteauneuf-du-Pape La Reserve 2017
- 1 - bottle Château de Beaucastel Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2006
- 1 - Magnum Château de Beaucastel Châteauneuf-du-Pape 1978

If there is French wine that everyone deserves to taste, it's probably Châteauneuf-du-Pape. It's like the gateway drug to French wine. Châteauneuf-du-Pape sits towards the bottom of the Rhône Valley, close to the border of Provence. The name means "pope's new castle," and refers to a time when the seat of the Roman Catholic Church was in Avignon (between 1309–1377).

Châteauneuf-du-Pape is one of 19 official crus of the Côtes du Rhône wine region and is considered –by most– to be the benchmark of the Southern Rhône. Châteauneuf-du-Pape was the very first French wine appellation; created in 1936. There are 320 wine growers in Châteauneuf-du-Pape's syndicate of vigneron. There are 7,746 acres of vineyards (3134 hectares) in the region, which produce an average 14 million bottles each year and nearly 75% of the vineyards are dedicated to Grenache and almost 30% of the wineries are organically certified by the EU. Châteauneuf-du-Pape is made up of five communes: Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Courhézou, Orange, Bédarrides, and Sorgues (ordered from largest to smallest).

Now that you have the facts, get to tasting! Our committee has put together an awesome lot for your drinking pleasure.

**Donated by Laura & Adam Feinberg, Joel Kleinman, John McDermott, Eric Platt, Pam Roberto, and Schneider's of Capitol Hill**

# 325

## **Xiquet by Danny Lledó Tasting Menu Experience for Four**

estimated value: \$1,300

The lucky winning bidder will enjoy a tasting menu experience for four guests at Xiquet by Danny Lledo located in the Glover park neighborhood of Washington, DC. Xiquet's gastronomical menu, inspired by Chef Danny Lledó's hometown of Dénia in the Valencian region of Spain, currently holds a Michelin Star and the only AAA's Five Diamond designation in Washington, DC. Xiquet features a sought-after tasting menu experience which includes Lledó's signature rice dishes, as well as innovative preparations of other traditional items from Valencian cuisine. Guests can anticipate seasonal menu changes to showcase the freshest products available. The Chef's tasting menu is cooked à la minute within view of guests over an open, wood-burning flame or a smoker. A meal at Xiquet offers over 20 compositions of modern Spanish cuisine that showcase Valencian gastronomy, beginning with a tantalizing welcome bite and a sip of vermouth at our Chef's Counter, followed by an unforgettable tasting menu that concludes with after-dinner treats in our elegant mezzanine lounge.

Restrictions: Expires May 31, 2024. Not available December 24th, 25th, 31st, January 1st, or during Valentine's Day, Easter or Mother's Day celebrations. Excludes tax and gratuity. Must be 21 or older to consume alcohol.

**Donated by Xiquet by Danny Lledó**

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# 326

## **2 - bottles Scarecrow Cabernet Sauvignon M. Étain 2009 in OWB**

estimated value: \$450

The 2009 vintage is the second for Scarecrow's M. Étain Cabernet Sauvignon—a second label of sorts—which essentially comes from a slightly less rigorous selection of fruit hand-picked from the famous J.J. Cohn Estate in Rutherford. The wine is cleverly named after the Tin Man from Wizard of Oz, 'Étain' being French for "tin".

94 points from the Wine Spectator, "Amazingly complex, firm, dense and concentrated, with a vivid, lively, structured mix of dried currant, mineral, cedar, sage and tobacco notes. Fills out nicely on the finish and holds its focus, ending with a satisfyingly chewy, rich bundle of dark berry fruit."

**Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George**



# 327

## Golf at the Congressional Country Club

estimated value \$1,500

Enjoy a round of golf for three at the prestigious Congressional Country Club in Bethesda! Your fourth golfer will be Club Member Chad Thompson. This is your opportunity to experience the Congressional Country Club Blue Course, which has hosted five major championships, including three U.S. Opens and a PGA Championship.

**Restrictions:** Must play with Club member Chad Thompson on a mutually agreeable date. Expires May 2024. Your outing includes golf fees, caddie fees, food and drink.

**Donated by Chad Thompson**



## Women Winemaker Lot – Who Runs the World?

estimated value: \$870

### 1 - bottle Corison Kronos Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2017

Cathy Corison's wines remain superb examples, demonstrating that Napa can be many different things, depending on a producer's intent. She feels almost a moral obligation to make wines that let the dirt speak. She loves that wine speaks of time and place.

### 1 - bottle En Numeros Vermells Garnatxa Peluda 2019

100%, Priorat, Spain– Silvia Puig is one of Priorat (and Spain's) top winemakers, but more importantly she is a one-woman force who does everything at winery En Numeros Vermells, from viticulture to cellar work to hand-painting each six-pack case that she produces.

### 1 - bottle Snowden Vineyards 'Cousins' Merlot 2021

Diana Snowden Seysses is a Napa Valley native and the eldest of the four third-generation-Snowdens in the wine industry. In January, 2003, Diana became oenologist at Domain Dujac. Diana became winemaker at Snowden commencing with the 2005 harvest and since then has divided her professional time between California and Burgundy.

### 1 - bottle Domaine Anne et Herve Sigaut Chambolle-Musigny 2020

Anne Sigaut is unassuming but a genuinely committed vigneron. Taking over in 1990 they made important improvements both in the vineyard work and in the cellar. Anne is totally committed to her work and has a huge passion for their 7 hectares of vineyards.

### 1 - bottle Chiara Condello, Sangiovese Romagna 'Predappio' 2020

Chiara Condello is from Emilia-Romagna, the home of parmigiano and prosciutto. She makes this wine with sangiovese, the grape of Chianti and Brunello.

### 1 - bottle Rudd Crossroads Cabernet Sauvignon 2019

Samantha Rudd is a strong and determined winemaker whose expertise includes working in Clos Pegase Winery and Château Margaux.

### 1 - bottle Château de L'Ou Grenache Rhapsody 2019

### 1 - bottle Château de L'Ou Secret de Schistes Rouge 2018

### 1 - bottle Château de L'Ou Cotes du Roussillon Villages Compartir 2019

Séverine Bourrier is the owner and winemaker of Château de L'Ou in France's Roussillon region. All of her wines are farmed biodynamically and organically on schist and other diverse soil types. The small estate has driven the quality movement for natural Roussillon wines.

### 1 - bottle Bodegas Felix Callejo 'Felix Callejo' Seleccion de Viñedos de la Familia 2016

The children from the second generation of Bodegas Felix Callejo have taken over the winery, Beatriz, Noelia, José Félix and Cristina Callejo. Noelia Callejo, one of the daughters is the winegrower. Her 2 sisters are running the business and her brother is also a winegrower.

**1 - bottle Leah Jørgensen Cellars Cabernet Franc 2020, Southern Oregon**

**1 - bottle Leah Jørgensen Cellars Mae's Vineyard Blanc de Cabernet Franc 2019**

Leah Jørgensen wants to help reshape the narrative on American Cabernet Franc. Cabernet Franc is one of the most elegant, ethereal, complex varietals in the world of Vinifera – and I'm definitely challenging the status quo style by not using new oak, picking earlier, using irrigation methods and canopy management systems to influence plant chemistries. It's also her goal to get credit for pioneering American Cabernet Franc Blanc.

**Donated by Alicia Cypress, Libby Edwards, John Gallagher, David Hale, Schneider's of Capitol Hill**

# 329

## 1 - Double Magnum Château Talbot 2019

estimated value: \$400

We had the pleasure of meeting Jean-Michel Laporte earlier this year and while we were disappointed that Château Talbot could not join us this year, they sent along this terrific donation to the auction.

It received 94 points from Jane Anson, "Dark chocolate shavings and espresso aromatics on the nose, this has great depth of expression and plenty to grab hold of. Well worked tannins that are powerful and muscular but also flushed with juice. This will age well, has improved from En Primeur and this is an upscore. Highest ever level of Cabernet Sauvignon."

**Donated by Château Talbot**



# 330

## **Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah Six Year Vertical**

estimated value: \$450

**1 - bottle Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah 2016**

**1 - bottle Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah 2015**

**1 - bottle Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah 2014**

**1 - bottle Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah 2013**

**1 - bottle Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah 2012**

**1 - bottle Sleight of Hand Cellar Levitation Syrah 2011**

Sleight of Hand Cellars was founded in 2007 by Trey Busch and Jerry and Sandy Solomon. Their only goal from the outset has been to make world class wines while having the most fun that is legally possible. They share a love of great wines from around the world and a love of music that has inspired their vision and growth to reach a customer base who share those passions.

The winery has been open for just a dozen years, but in that time Sleight of Hand Cellars has been named one of 'The Next Generation' of up-and-coming wineries in Washington State, as well as one of 'The Next Cult Wineries' by Seattle Magazine. They have also been featured in Wine Spectator magazine and had numerous wines in various of the industry's "Top 100" lists, including, most recently, being named to the 2018 Wine Spectator Top 100 for our Levitation Syrah.

The Wine Advocate writes "While I've always loved the wines from these guys, they've hit a new level recently, and the wines are now up there with the crème' de la crème' of the state (and beyond)."

The Levitation Syrah is composed of Lewis Vineyard Syrah, cooler climate in the Yakima Valley known for its vibrant red fruit profile and crazy good acidity, and Les Collines Vineyard, a cooler site for the Walla Walla Valley, nestled in the foothills of the Blue Mountains and known for its dark blue and purple fruit flavors, and intense minerality. It is consistently a showstopper of a wine!

**Donated by Jamie Miller**

# 331

## San Lorenzo Five-Course Dinner for Four

estimated value: \$600

Chef Massimo Fabbri has been a longtime generous partner to Heart's Delight and we are so glad he is back with us again tonight. San Lorenzo in the Shaw neighborhood of DC is Chef Fabbri's most personal and passionate endeavor yet, paying homage to his family and hometown of Monsummano Terme in the Tuscan region of Italy.

When you step into San Lorenzo you're transported to Italy — from the food and wine, to the cheerful, slightly cheeky attitude and the exquisite space. The menu features simple but perfect preparation of fine, fresh ingredients from the Tuscan region; the classic dishes with which Chef Fabbri grew up. You can't go wrong with anything on the menu but you won't want to miss the Fiori di Zucca, the Pappardelle, and the Tortelli filled with robiolina black truffle, and porcini mushroom sauce and this is just getting you started!

**Restrictions:** Excludes taxes and gratuity. Gift certificate to be used for food only.

**Donated by San Lorenzo**

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# 332

## An Evening at the Opera and Wine Dinner

estimated value: \$1,800

The winning bidder and a guest will enjoy two orchestra seats at an opening week performance of the opera of your choice during next season's Washington National Opera season.

To make the evening even more special you will join WNO Trustee and Heart's Delight auction committee member Eric and Heather Kadel for a pre-performance dinner for four at the Kennedy Center Roof Terrace Restaurant. Dinner will feature wine pairings and Eric promises he will bring excellent wine, including a 100-point bottle of Scarecrow Cabernet Sauvignon.

WNO General Director Timothy O'Leary and Artistic Director Francesca Zambello announced the line-up for the 2023-2024 season including *Grounded*, *Romeo and Juliet*, *Songbird*, *Turandot*, and more. The winning bidder will also have access to the Kennedy Center's Opera House Lounge before and/or during intermission on the evening of your choosing.

**Restrictions:** To be arranged on a mutually agreeable date. Season runs October 2023 through May 2024. Not eligible for opening night performances. All tickets are subject to availability.

**Donated by Eric & Heather Kadel and Washington National Opera**

# 333

## **Corliss Six Pack in OWB**

estimated value: \$615

**1 - bottle Corliss Cabernet Sauvignon 2017**

**1 - bottle Corliss Cabernet Sauvignon 2016**

**1 - bottle Corliss Cabernet Sauvignon 2015**

**1 - bottle Corliss Red 2017**

**1 - bottle Corliss Red 2016**

**1 - bottle Corliss Red 2015**

Corliss, located in Walla Walla, prides themselves on their ability to exercise the discipline necessary to make the highest quality decisions at every stage, from vine to bottle. The results are there for you to taste. Corliss wines are powerful, yet refined, with beautiful delineation of detail from first sniff to last swallow. They have the richness and structure to age for decades, yet are beautifully complex, supple, and delicious to drink when first released.

Michael and Lauri Corliss have, from the beginning, been at the center of the winemaking and are joined by Atelier Melka, which is one of the world's most highly regarded winemaking consultant teams. Their allocations are sold out so here is your chance to try it!

**Donated by Andrew Wise**

**István Szepsy Tokaji Lot**

estimated value: \$500

**3 - bottles Szepsy Úrágya Tokaji Dry Furmint 2018**

**3 - bottles of Szepsy Szamordini 2016**

Hopefully you had a chance to try the Szepsy during the tasting – thank you to Mark Trujillo and his company for sharing these rare beauties with our guests.

The Szepsy family has deep roots in the wine history of Tokaji, dating back to the 16th century. István Szepsy might now be considered the 'Lord of Wine,' but he has never rested on his laurels. His story is one of relentless commitment to quality and research. As an heir to the family that effectively put Tokaji on the map, he's taken the region's recognition and winemaking standards further with his permanent quest for purity and terroir expression.

"István Szepsy's wines are not cheap...But I do feel the word genius is not too hyperbolic a word to describe the modest Mr Szepsy. He is based in Tokaj, Hungary's world-famous sweet wine country, on some of the most extraordinary, and extraordinarily varied, soils in the world of wine." – Jancis Robinson, MW

The Úrágya vineyard was planted between 1964 and 1982, and has a fascinating soil profile that consists of pebbles and sticky red clay with quartz rhyolite tuff. Szepsy's 100% Furmint bottling from this site shows a complex minerality that is truly captivating.

The Szamordini is described as "(b)right, pale-gold in color. Rich, ripe & oily, peach, apricot & nectarine fruit aromas with a high-toned floral top note. The palate is fully sweet with notes of orange (mandarin) peel and ripe apricot fruit and really good acidity. The wine is of mid-weight with notes of dried peel & honey on the finish which is pure, intense and very long."

**Donated by R/Evolution Wine Merchants**



# 335

## Handmade Ceramics by Fine Field Pottery

estimated value: \$130

**Two Ceramic and Glass Chalice**  
**One Ceramic Vase**

These pieces are sure to bring a sense of originality and uniqueness to your home in a way that only handmade, artisan craftwork can. With glazing that is reminiscent of waves on the beach receding into the blue/green hue of a beautiful ocean, let yourself get lost in this Fine Field Pottery.

**Donated by Fine Field Pottery**

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# 336

## Canadian Club Chronicles 43-Year-Old Whisky

estimated value: \$300

This is a rare, limited release Canada-aged 43 years in oak casks; it is the oldest Canadian Whisky available!

"The third in the Chronicles series offers a slightly closed nose that soon shows high esters, cinnamon, and eggnog, while hints of mint hide among old dry barn boards in a gorgeous, creamy palate. Mild caramels fade into peppery heat, restrained grassy herbs, and pulling tannins. Burley tobacco leaves replace Canadian Club's signature dark fruits. Finishes long, hot, and vaguely dry." - 95/100, Whisky Advocate

**Donated by Beam Suntory**

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# 337

## 2 - bottles Château Montrose 2010

estimated value: \$600

100 points from Robert Parker! "This is considered to be among the greatest vintages ever made in Montrose...The blend was 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, 9% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot. The wine is opaque black/blue, with an incredible nose of blueberry and blackberry liqueur, with hints of incense, licorice, and acacia flowers. Tannins are incredibly sweet and very present. The wine is full-bodied, even massive, with great purity, depth and a finish that goes on close to a minute. This is a 50 to 75-year-old wine that will repay handsomely those with good aging genes."

**Donated by Château Montrose**

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# 338

## **Bouchard Père & Fils - Two Grand Cru Magnums from the Corton hillside in Burgundy**

estimated value: \$725

**1 - Magnum Bouchard Père & Fils Le Corton Grand Cru 2018**

**1 - Magnum Bouchard Père & Fils Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2016**

Established in 1731, Bouchard Père & Fils is one of Burgundy's oldest and most diverse Domaines with a strong, time-honored position in the Côte de Beaune. Through the skillful acquisition of desirable vineyards, the house now spreads across a remarkable 130 ha (320 acres) with a particular devotion to Premiers and Grands Crus (86ha/212 acres). This lot showcases Le Corton 2018 and Corton-Charlemagne 2016, Grand Cru jewels of the Côte de Beaune. Bouchard Père & Fils' holdings in Corton are on the best location at the top of the Corton Hill with remarkable conditions, ensuring the utmost quality regardless of vintage. Le Corton is the historic vineyard which gave name to the entire Corton appellation of which Bouchard owns 7ha split between Chardonnay plantings on the upper part of the hill and Pinot Noir just below it (Le Corton). Both are rich and structured on the palate, ready to be enjoyed now or to cellar for more years!

**Donated by Bouchard Père & Fils**

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# 339

## **3L Winter Wine Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2004**

estimated value: \$1,000

95 points from Robert Parker, "Classic creme de cassis, charcoal, and graphite notes emerge from the dense ruby/purple 2004 Cabernet Sauvignon, an exceptionally pure, young wine with a Bordeaux-like structure super-imposed over the opulence and extravagantly rich fruit provided by Napa. It possesses superb purity and density as well as a long finish. One of the more structured, youthful 2004s I tasted, it performed dramatically better than when tasted twelve months ago."

**Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg and Mary Jo George**

**Rhys Bearwallow Chard & Pinot Noir Mags 2019**

estimated value: \$330

**1 - Magnum Rhys Bearwallow Chardonnay Anderson Valley 2019**

**1 - Magnum Rhys Bearwallow Pinot Noir Anderson Valley 2019**

Rhys Vineyards produces an exquisite range of single-vineyard Pinot Noirs, Chardonnays, and Syrahs from California. There is a precise minerality, focused elegance, and most importantly, definite sense of place that one finds in these wines. Without question, Rhys produces some of the best wines in the United States.

Kevin Harvey, a Silicon Valley entrepreneur, became fascinated with wine in the early 1990s. His attention soon shifted toward Burgundy; several years later, he turned his fascination into a DIY project by planting some Pinot Noir vines in the backyard of his Woodside, California home, set in the foothills of the Santa Cruz Mountains. After vinifying those grapes in his garage, he realized the resulting wine was quite good, and subsequently began scouring the Santa Cruz region for potential vineyards.

Rhys' vineyards are farmed biodynamically; yields very are low; the grapes are hand-picked at night (to preclude further ripening by the daytime sun); each vineyard block is vinified separately in one-ton micro-fermentation tanks with native yeasts, followed by elevage with limited use of new oak. Winemaker Jeff Brinkman has eschewed newer Dijon clones and instead planted "suitcase" clones and heritage selections (borrowing from the playbook of Santa Cruz winemaking pioneers Paul Masson and Martin Ray who also imported clones in the first half of the 20th century).

**Donated by Maureen Nelson**

# 341

## Brunch and Beyond

estimated value: \$155

**1 - bottle Laherte Frères Extra Brut Rosé de Meunier Champagne**  
**Carrara Marble Cheese Board on Acacia Base, Fabio Viviani Heritage Collection**  
**"Perfect Pairings" Book**  
**Sugar Chalet Bourbon Barrel Aged Maple Syrup**

According to the Wine Advocate, the Laherte Frères Extra Brut Rosé de Meunier Champagne, "exhibits aromas of red berries, rhubarb, spices and dried white flowers," making it an excellent pairing for brunch menus. Other essentials included in this package are a bourbon barrel aged maple syrup for your pancakes and waffles, a marble cheese board for tasty samplers, and the book "Perfect Pairings" to help inspire hosts to serve delectable combinations of wine and food. Beyond brunch, incorporate the marble cheese board into your next charcuterie night or use "Perfect Pairings" to plan a dinner party your guests won't soon forget.

**Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight**

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# 342

## Supra Feast for 12!

We hope you had a chance to try Supra's carrot pkhali or the imeruli khachapuri tonight – we appreciate their continued support of Heart's Delight! The lucky winner will get to host a Feast at Supra for 11 of their besties! Supra is DC's first Georgian restaurant. A supra is a celebratory feast, featuring tons of food and plenty of wine.

**Restrictions:** Must be 21 to win. Includes up to six bottles of wine. Your 'supra at Supra' can be scheduled any day Sunday – Thursday. Subject to availability. Reservation length is approximately 3 hours. Expires May 19, 2024.

**Donated by Supra**

# 343

## **3L Castello Banfi Brunello di Montalcino 2018**

estimated value: \$375

Thank you to our old friends at the beautiful Castello Banfi for sending this delicious Brunello!

"A rich and elegant Brunello, both in structure and in olfactory expression. Brilliant ruby red with garnet-colored reflections, on the nose the aroma is sweet and fruity, the hints of fresh red fruit stand out, which combine perfectly with the more complex notes of licorice and pipe tobacco. The structure is powerful, and the palate is pleasantly enveloped by a consistent tannic texture, well balanced by a pleasant acidity. Extremely persistent with excellent aging potential." – winemaker notes

"Round, fleshy and succulent, exuding black cherry, blackberry, violet and rosemary flavors. This has a glycerol feel, fine balance and harmony, with a long, fruity, savory and minerally aftertaste. Combines power and energy. Best from 2025 through 2043." 93 points - Wine Spectator

**Donated by Castello Banfi**

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# 344

## **Letena Ethiopian Restaurant**

estimated value: \$200

Welcome to Yamrot Ezeneh of Letena for her first Heart's Delight and we hope you enjoyed the lentil samosas and the yemsir wot! Located in the heart of Columbia Heights, Washington, DC, Letena is the spot for authentic and inspired Ethiopian cuisine, great coffee, and home-crafted drinks. The winning bidder will have a great opportunity to work their way through the delicious menu!

Health and culture are at the root of Letena which means "for health" in Amharic, so to live up to the brand's name, only natural and premium ingredients are used throughout its offerings. With special attention given to quality ingredients, vegetarians, vegans, meat lovers and adventurous diners alike are offered authentic Ethiopian and inspired original dishes that have won accolades from various publications and review platforms including Food Network, Washingtonian, Trip Advisor and Yelp.

With oversized windows, high ceilings, modern open kitchen design, walls adorned by an impressive collection of traditional Ethiopian artifacts and paintings, the interior combines the feel of an art gallery with an intimate and cozy dining space.

**Donated by Letena Ethiopian Restaurant**

# 345

## The Stafford London

estimated value: \$3,500

The Stafford London offers world-class, five-star accommodation at one of London's most prestigious addresses. Tucked away in the heart of historic St James, and just minutes from London's iconic landmarks and vibrant West End, The Stafford London is one of the finest luxury hotels in the Capital. Boasting three unique buildings, each with their own style and character, guests experience timeless luxury, combined with contemporary sophistication and impeccable service. This retreat includes two-nights' accommodation in a luxurious suite and full English breakfast for two each day at the on-site restaurant, The Game Bird.

**Restrictions:** Subject to availability. Blackout dates include Christmas and the New Year period and times of high occupancy levels. Expires May 17, 2024.

**Donated by The Stafford London**

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# 346

## 1 - Magnum PINEA 'P5OUL' 2018

estimated value: \$500

Welcome to Hugo del Pozzo for his first Heart's Delight! The PINEA 'P5OUL' is a single-barrel expression of Pinea 2018, that captures the soul of the winery: passion for viticulture, the expression of the terroir and careful vinification to let the fruit be the star. The name 'P5OUL' is an acronym: "P" represents Pinea, and "5OUL" for the single barrique used in its production and aging. This limited-edition production consists of 333 bottles of 1.5Liters.

Grapes sourced from 50-year-old vines located in the northern section of the La Encina vineyard of the Pinea Estate, farmed following organic and bio-dynamic viticulture practices and located at an average elevation of 3,060 feet. There, chalky, calcareous soils and common 40-50 degree diurnal temperature shifts, allow the grapes to develop a mountain fruit character with abundant perfumy aromatics and majestic complexity. Fermentation and aging took place in a single 500-liter barrel of French oak for 24 months.

**Donated by PINEA**

# 347

## A Magnifique Experience at the Sofitel Lisbon Liberdade

estimated value: \$1,200

Enjoy a two-night stay for two, including breakfast, at a luxury five-star hotel in Portugal's historic yet modern capital city. Hotel Manager, Mayka Rodriguez, says "Welcome to Sofitel Lisbon Liberdade and discover the seven hills of Lisbon and the blue waters of the Tagus, where tradition and contemporary qualities unite to offer you a timeless experience." The Sofitel Lisbon Liberdade is perfectly situated near theaters, boutiques, museums, transit, historic sites, and surrounded by natural beauty - all that's missing is you!

Restrictions: Expires March 30, 2024. Non-refundable and cannot be redeemed for cash. Not applicable for special events or other promotions. Reservations required, subject to availability.

**Donated by Sofitel Lisbon Liberdade**