### Silent Auction



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### 2 - bottles Château Brane Cantenac 2005

estimated value: \$200

Excited to welcome back Henri Lurton this year. As a tribute, we wanted to include a couple of bottles from 2005 which received 92+ points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2005 Brane-Cantenac is a blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc. It has a focused, conservative (for the vintage) nose with gravel-tinged red berry fruit intermingling with cedar, graphite and pine needle scents. The palate is medium-bodied with a firm structure."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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### 1 - Double Magnum Clos du Marquis 2006

estimated value: \$300

"The 2006 Clos du Marquis has a typical bouquet for this cru with forward and lavish black cherries, cassis and incense aromas, perhaps more oaky than some of its peers. The palate is medium-bodied ... You can feel the weight of black fruit in the mouth..." – Wine Advocate

Donated by Domaines Delon

### **Little Suduiraut Lovelies**

estimated value: \$100

1 - 375ml Château Suduiraut 2005 1 - 375ml Château Suduiraut 2004

93 points from the Wine Advocate for both. "The 2004 Suduiraut has a composed bouquet that is one of the most complex Sauternes in this vintage: dried honey, pralines, dried quince and beeswax all with fine delineation and focus. The palate is rich and decadent on the entry, counterbalanced by a caressing mellifluous texture and a delicate touch of spice. There is a hint of citrus peel on the aftertaste that is commendably long and satisfying. Excellent."

"The 2005 Château Suduiraut seemed a little out of sorts at first, although it comes together with honey, barley sugar, orange blossom and mineral scents that become more delineated as its aerates. The palate is very intense on the entry. There is a beautiful line of acidity that cuts through the viscous fruit, though the finish does not quite exude the precision of a top vintage, but still delivers that sense of class one expects from this address."

Donated by Friends of Heart's Delight

# 103

### 1 – Imperial Château Cos Labory 2016

estimated value: \$500

Michel Reybier and family have owned Cos d'Estournel since 2000 and last year's acquisition of Cos Labory from the Audoy family brings together two major properties in Bordeaux's St-Estèphe appellation. The neighbouring properties of Cos d'Estournel and Cos Labory, ranked as second and fifth growths respectively in the Bordeaux 1855 Classification, have a long and intertwined history.

This Imperial is the equivalent to 8 bottles and received 92 points from Jane Anson, Decanter, "Rich and powerful, with good freshness underneath the fruit. The components of the wine are off the charts, extremely knitted down and barely budging. It has amazing silky tannins and just a slight tartness to the fruit on the finish which pulls things up abruptly. Plenty to love here."

And 92 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2016 Cos-Labory has a lovely bouquet, quite forward and open, offering brambly black fruit laced with violet. The medium-bodied palate supple tannins, a fine bead of acidity, and tobacco and cedar toward the classically styled finish, which displays impressive persistence."

#### Donated by Château Cos Labory

### **Heritage School Vineyards 2019 Trio**

estimated value: \$450

- 1 bottle Heritage School Julie's Creekside Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
- 1 bottle Heritage School Missiaen's Hillside Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
- 1 bottle Heritage School Casey's Lakeview Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2019

Situated in the scenic corner of Napa Valley lies the unique and historically rich Heritage School Vineyards. Once home to the Heritage School for Boys, this 48-acre estate has been transformed from Harris Estate Vineyards in the 1990s to its current incarnation. It is a small producer of premium Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon from the Calistoga AVA. They have three estate-grown vineyards planted in the diverse terrain of their 48-acre property. The wines from these vineyards are crafted by winemaker Thomas Rivers Brown and perfectly reflect the terroir of the Franz Valley area.

**Donated by Heritage School Vineyards** 

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### **Soliste Cellars Six Pack**

estimated value: \$370

- 2 bottles Soliste Cellars St. Andelain Sauvignon Blanc 2014
- 2 bottles Soliste Cellars St. Andelain Sauvignon Blanc 2012
- 2 bottles Soliste Cellars St. Andelain Sauvignon Blanc 2011

Based in Sonoma's Russian River Valley, Soliste is probably the best winery you've never heard of (so of course John Brooks had). Production is microscopic, and nearly every bottle is spoken for by the USA's top sommeliers. The wines are championed by the USA's most prestigious Michelin-starred restaurants, appearing on the top wine lists, including The French Laundry (3\*, Napa), Single Thread Farms (3\*, Healdsburg), Benu (3\*, San Francisco), Per Se (3\*, New York), Le Bernardin (3\*, New York), and Eleven Madison Park (3\*, New York).

Donated by The Brooks Family in Memory of John Brooks

### 6 pack of Leonetti Cellar Serra Pedace Vineyard Aglianico

estimated value: \$450

2 - bottles Leonetti Cellar Serra Pedace Vineyard Aglianico 2016
1 - bottle Leonetti Cellar Serra Pedace Vineyard Aglianico 2015

3 - bottles Leonetti Cellar Serra Pedace Vineyard Aglianico 2013

As Walla Walla Valley's first commercial winery, Leonetti Cellar was established in 1977. Although their initial grape plantings were of Cabernet Sauvignon and Riesling, they now produce a range of wines including Merlot and Sangiovese. Because of the high prices that the winery demands for their Bordeaux-inspired wines, Leonetti and its key vineyards have become one of the top-tier wineries in the up-and-coming region of Washington. The region's silty loam soils are responsible for the wealth of variety that their terroir creates, especially on the different aspects and slopes that define the Walla Walla Valley.

94+ points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2013 Aglianico Serra Pedace Vineyard is lovely, wafting from the glass with aromas of black cherries, cassis, bitter chocolate, aromatic bark and scorched earth. On the palate, it's full-bodied, richly tannic and layered, with lovely depth at the core and considerable power and authority. Leonetti has certainly captured Aglianico's inherent tannic super-abundance, but the tannins are fine-grained and ripe, so it should respond very well to bottle age—and food."

Donated by Elizabeth Miklos

#### Mendoza Lot

#### estimated value \$155

#### 1 - bottle Catena Zapata Malbec 2006, Mendoza, Argentina

95 points from the Wine Advocate, The 2006 Malbec Adrianna Vineyard received the identical elevage as the Nicasia cuvee. It has a racier personality with a silky palate feel, sweet flavors, and exceptional length."

# 1 - bottle Navarro Correas Alegoria Gran Reserva Malbec 2006, Mendoza, Argentina Wine Advocate "The purple-colored 2006 Alegoria Gran Reserva Malbec offers up a pleasant bouquet of spice box, violets, and black cherry. Straightforward and slightly narrow on the palate."

#### 1 - bottle Navarro Correas Ultra 2004, Mendoza Argentina

The 2004 Ultra is composed of 50% Malbec, 36% Merlot, and 14% Cabernet Sauvignon. Purple-colored, it has an attractive perfume of pain grille, clove, smoke, pencil lead, cassis, and black cherry. Medium to full-bodied, it has a solid core of ripe fruit, a firm structure, and excellent balance." 91+ Wine Advocate

Donated by Elizabeth Miklos and Eric Platt

# 108

# New York Times bestseller "Being Henry The Fonz ... and Beyond" - Signed

estimated value: \$25

Instant New York Times Bestseller! From Emmy-award winning actor, author, comedian, producer, and director Henry Winkler, a deeply thoughtful memoir of the lifelong effects of stardom and the struggle to become whole. Brilliant, funny, and widely-regarded as the nicest man in Hollywood (though he would be the first to tell you that it's simply not the case, he's really just grateful to be here).

**Donated by Doug Heye** 

### Élevée Winegrowers 2016 Terroir Trio

estimated Value: \$165

- 1 bottle Élevée Pinot Noir 2016
- 1 bottle Björnson Vineyard Pinot Noir 2016
- 1 bottle Madrona Hill Pinot Noir 2016

Welcome to Tom and France Fitzpatrick for their first official Heart's Delight and we hope you had a chance to meet them tonight! Here is a great opportunity to taste the difference the terroir makes!

Élevée Winegrowers was born of a simple idea...to grow terroir-driven wines from diverse sites in Oregon's Willamette Valley that express the unique personality of each site and distinctiveness of each vintage. At the heart of Élevée is the concept of 'winegrower': one part 'winemaker', one part 'grower'.

Donated by Élevée Winegrowers

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### 1 - Magnum Château du Tertre 2005

estimated value: \$230

"Wonderful balance of fruit with currant and chocolate character. Full body with integrated tannins and a clean finish. Polished and refined." 92 points - James Suckling

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

### **Sake Lot**

estimated value: \$350

Sake Class with Caroline Hermann, MW

- 1 bottle Heavensake Junmai Daiginjo Noir Dassai
- 1 bottle SakeOne 'G Joy' Junmai Ginjo Genshu Saké
- 1 Nanbu Bijin 'Shinpaku' Yamadanishiki Junmai Daiginjo Sake NV
- 1 Suigei Saké, Tokubetsu Junmai Drunken Whale

This is the perfect starting point for the novice sake enthusiast, or a more in-depth conversation for a seasoned collector. Caroline Hermann MW, will host a 30 minute Zoom call to chat about sake. Caroline is WSET Certified Sake Educator (2018), Advanced Sake Professional (2020), Diploma in Sake from the Japan Sommelier Association (2020). You can explore the main styles and types of sake through sight, smell and taste to develop an understanding of the key factors affecting flavors and aromas, learn about the processes and principles involved in the production, storage, and service of sake, whatever interests yo.

We also have a couple bottles to enjoy! The Dassai Kura is quite possibly one of the biggest names (if not the biggest) in Japanese Sake today. This little gem in the yamaguchi prefecture is known for only making junmai daiginjo sake using highly milled yamada nishiki rice.

SakeOne "G - Joy" - Rich, genshu style saké that is big and bold with fruit aromas supported on the palate with a velvety dense body featuring melon cherry and pepper finish.

Donated by Caroline Hermann and Bambi Landew

### 112

### **The Capital Grille**

estimated value: \$200

From the moment you step into The Capital Grille, the experience is one of comfortable elegance with service as gracious as it is attentive. African mahogany paneling and Art Deco chandeliers provide a warm, stately setting for our nationally renowned dry-aged steaks, fresh seafood, and acclaimed world-class wines.

Restrictions: Valid at all Capital Grille locations.

Donated by The Capital Grille

### **Williams Selyem Collection**

estimated value: \$325

- 1 bottle Williams Selyem Coastlands Vineyard 2012
- 1 bottle Williams Selyem Hirsch Vineyard 2012
- 1 bottle Williams Selyem Litton Estate Vineyard 2008
- 1 bottle Williams Selyem Pinot Noir 2007

Ed Selyem and Burt Williams pursued their winemaking dream in a garage in Forestville, California. Their first vintage was produced in 1982 and within five years, their demand exceeded supply and a wait list was created. Selyem fans had to wait, at times, up to three years to purchase one of these delectable bottles! They quickly gained cult status and set a new standard for Pinot Noir.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

# 114

### **Magnum Rhys Pinot Pair from 2019**

estimated value: \$600

- 1 Magnum Rhys Horseshoe Hillside Pinot Noir 2019
- 1 Magnum Rhys Alpine Hillside Pinot Noir 2019

98 points from Vinous, "The 2019 Pinot Noir Horseshoe Hillside takes all of the structure of this site and fills out the layers with striking fruit. An absolute stunner, the Hillside has so much of everything. Dark red/purplish fruit, rose petal, spice, blood orange and mint are some of the many notes that build in the glass. High-density blocks on the upper rim of Horseshoe vineyard form the core of the Hillside bottling."

96 points from Vinous, for the 2019 Pinot Noir Alpine Hillside "Beams of tannin totally wrap around the fruit today. Although this is a barrel selection, many of the barrels for Alpine Hillside emerge from parcels in the middle of the hill, where the terrain is the steepest."

#### Donated by Maureen Nelson

### 3 - bottles Pellet Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

estimated value: \$330

"The deep garnet-purple colored 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Pellet Vineyard delivers gregarious notions of warm black plums, black cherries, violets and cassis with wafts of licorice and roses. Medium to full-bodied, the palate offers a good intensity of crunchy, youthful black berries with a firm, grainy texture and fantastic length." - 93 points Wine Advocate

Pellet Estate is a rare, authentically grown, and classically made wine. The Estate is a spectacular vineyard site in the small town of St. Helena, with a rich history dating back to 1859. Henry Pellet, one of the founding pioneers of Napa Valley winemaking, first planted this site with a vision of producing wines that would be among the best in the world. The flagship wine for Pellet Estate is the Cabernet Sauvignon from the Pellet Vineyard, a blend of about 90% Cabernet Sauvignon with the balance being Merlot and Petit Verdot.

#### **Donated by Elizabeth Miklos**



#### **Women in Wine**

estimated value: \$1,500

Corison Sunbasket Vineyard 2015 – winemaker, Cathy Corison

Argyle Estate Reserve Pinot Noir 2022

Waits-Mast Family Cellars Mariah Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019 – winemaker, Shalini Sekhar Château de la Font du Loup Châteauneuf-du-Pape Le Puy Rolland 2020 - Anne-Charlotte Melia-Bachas

Bodegas Tempore Generación 76 Temperanillo 2021

Trombetta Family Wines Gap's Crown Vineyard Chardonnay 2019 - Erica Stancliff Lobo Howl Wulff Vineyards Napa Custom Red Blend 2015 - winemaker Victoria Coleman Slater Run Vineyards The Pit Jumper 2016 - Kiernan Slater Patusky, Owner & Vineyard Manager and Katell Griaud, winemaker

Meyer - Näkel "Blue Slate" Pinot Noir 2018, Ahr, Germany [Sisters Meike and Dörte Näkel are the 5th generation at this pioneering Ahr Valley winery who, despite unprecedented challenges, are making some of the most compelling Pinot Noir in Germany.]

Château Climens 1996, Berenice Lurton

Somnium Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2016 - owned by Danica Patrick Leah Jørgensen Cellars Loiregon Blanc de Cabernet Franc 2020 – Leah Jørgensen, owner & winemaker

Leah Jorgensen Cellars Loiregon Cot Crater Lake Vineyard Malbec 2018 - Leah Jørgensen, owner & winemaker

This lot celebrates the passion, courage and talent of women who are successfully making their way in what has long been a male-dominated field. We applaud their work and you get to enjoy their beautiful wine.

Donated by Château Climens, Alicia Cypress, Libby Edwards, Leah Jørgensen, Bambi Landew, Archana Mehta, Eric Platt & Artisans & Vines, Pam Roberto, and Somnium

### **Antica Terra Antikythera Pinot Noir**

estimated value: \$750

- 2 bottles Antica Terra Antikythera Pinot Noir 2012
- 2 bottles Antica Terra Antikythera Pinot Noir 2011
- 2 bottles Antica Terra Antikythera Pinot Noir 2010

John was a big fan of Maggie Harrison and the reason she joined us in Washington for Heart's Delight! Antikythera is made entirely from their own little, rocky vineyard in the northernmost part of the Eola-Amity Hills. The wine, like the site, is a bit of an anomaly — it tends to defy characterization. There is, in every vintage, an astonishingly extreme, high-pitched aroma of cinnamon-stick coupled with a non-fruit intensity and Barolo-like tannin that speak neither to the Willamette Valley nor in some ways, pinot noir. Intensely mineral, it bears, somehow, a seemingly synesthetic resemblance to the ground from which it was born.

95 points from Vinous for the 2012, "Bright violet color. ... Conveys a compelling blend of richness and vivacity on the palate ... Showy but also impeccably balanced, finishing with slowly arriving velvety tannins and remarkable clarity and cling. A star of this superb vintage, which isn't short of standout wines."

The 2011 received 93 points from Vinous, "Vivid ruby-red ... This energetic but deeply flavored pinot, which comes from the winery's estate vineyard, checks in at just 12.5% alcohol, which is decidedly low as Maggie Harrison's wines go."

The 2010 received 97 points from James Suckling, "A dense and incredible wine with dried cherries and strawberries ... Amazing tension and intensity. Just a baby but a joy to drink."

Donated by The Brooks Family in Memory of John Brooks

# 1 - Magnum Carol Shelton Wild Thing Old Vine Zinfandel 2012 + Tour and Tasting for 6

estimated value: \$250

Carol Shelton has been Mastering the Zen of Zin since 1978. Focusing mostly on her favorite varietal, Carol is a guru of single vineyard Zinfandel. California has been the home world class Zin for over a century, making it the benchmark varietal of American wine culture. Carol & Mitch Mackenzie, her husband and business partner, have sought out exceptional vineyards throughout California including Dry Creek Valley, Rockpile, Russian River Valley, Mendocino, and the Cucamonga Valley of Southern California. Many of her vineyard sources are organically grown and decades old. She develops close partnerships with each grower to ensure her wines maintain and express the unique terroir of the vineyard.

Restrictions: Open daily from 11 to 4 pm

**Donated by Carol Shelton Wines** 

# 119

### **Leo in Annapolis**

estimated value: \$150

Leo is a locally owned, New American restaurant in the heart of the Uptown Arts District in downtown Annapolis. Our menu features seasonal ingredients and modern flavors from local farms and purveyors. Join us at the bar for craft cocktails, local beer and perfectly paired wine. Chef Matt Lego has a passion for all things pickled and fermented, honors the heritage of Mid-Atlantic and Southern cuisines while bringing a modern perspective to his dishes.

**Donated by Leo** 

### 3 - bottles Edge Hill Abel 1833 Mt. Veeder 2012 in OWB

estimated value: \$300

95 points from the Wine Advocate, "Because this wine spends over two years in barrel (26 months in 100% new French oak), the 2012 Abel 1833 is the current release. Deep garnet colored, it features restrained, understated notions of underbrush, smoked meats, Bovril, tilled soil and black truffles over a core of red currants, mulberries and chocolate-covered cherries, with touches of sandalwood, cinnamon stick and cloves plus a waft of bay leaves. Medium-bodied, finely played, refreshing and elegant in the mouth, it has a wonderfully precise backbone of chewy tannins and plenty of savory and earthy layers, finishing long and minerally."

Edge Hill is one of Napa's Valley's most historical and treasured winery properties. The original 1,500 acres was settled by General Erasmus Keyes after serving in the Civil War. He had a personal letter signed by Abraham Lincoln providing the deed to this particular property.

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George

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### **SoDel Concepts**

estimated value: \$200

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** 

### **Château Malartic-Lagravière Collection**

estimated value: \$350

- 1 bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2013
- 1 bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2008
- 1 bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2006
- 1 bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2004
- 1 bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2003
- 1 bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2001

It was in 1997 that Alfred-Alexandre Bonnie, a 57 years old Belgian businessman, finally discovered the vineyard he had been looking for in all the terroirs of France for almost two years: Château Malartic-Lagravière. And since it is a proven fact that behind every great man is a great woman, his wife, Michèle, soon joined in his passion for the vast renovation plans for the estate and lent all her support to the new venture. The new owners immediately formed a team of experts. Since 1997, alongside their teams, the highest level of expertise is applied at every stage of the production process. This intense involvement has become a state of mind, and represents their philosophy. The approach was established very early on, with the use of the best possible techniques in the vineyard and the cellar, so as to be able to do justice to the magnificent gravel terroir! Vintage after vintage, this meticulous care at a fundamental level for two decades is now bearing fruit.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

# 123

# 1 - bottle Fontodi Flaccianello della Pieve Colli 2007 estimated value \$175

95 points from Vinous "The 2007 Flaccianello della Pieve captures the essence of this great Tuscan vintage. It is a decidedly sexy, opulent wine bursting at the seams with rich red berries, mint and spices. The tannins are present but virtually undetectable under layer after layer of fruit. There is no question the 2007 is seamless, opulent and full-bodied. Readers who prefer more structured wines will gravitate to vintages such as 2001 and 2004. I find the 2007 utterly irresistible. It will also drink better earlier than some of the most classic vintages."

#### Donated by Elizabeth Miklos

### J. Hollinger's Waterman's Chophouse

estimated value: \$300

J Hollinger's, a Waterman's Chophouse is located in the downtown Silver Spring Arts and Entertainment District. Regulars know that it features the finest cuts of meat available, a raw bar, fresh seafood with a focus on the bounty of the Chesapeake Bay watershed, and hyper-seasonal local produce, using only the finest ingredients from around the globe.

Donated by J. Hollinger's Waterman's Chophouse

# 125

### 2 - bottles Shibumi Knoll Cabernet Sauvignon 2015

estimated value: \$200

98 points from the Wine Advocate, "This comes from the estate's 0.75-acre vineyard in St. Helena, planted and farmed by David Abreu. The wine is made by Thomas Rivers Brown. Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon bursts gregariously out of the glass like a total rock-star Cabernet with notes of baked blackcurrants, blackberry preserves and stewed plums with nuances of cigar box, Indian spices, camphor and smoked meats plus a waft of potpourri. The full-bodied palate is jam-packed with black fruit layers with loads of red berry sparks and a wonderfully plush frame, finishing with epic length and fantastic freshness. Wow!"

**Donated by Elizabeth Miklos** 

# **126**

# **Kendra Scott Gold Long Strand Necklace + Statement Earrings in White Pearl**

estimated value: \$265

Made from hard-to-source linear pearls on a petite metallic chain, the Eileen Gold Long Strand Necklace in White Pearl gives a whole new meaning to dripping in pearls. Style with layered chains or wear solo for a sculptural statement. 14K Gold Plated Over Brass.

An absolute stunner of a statement, the Eileen Gold Statement Earrings in White Pearl are a new favorite featuring an asymmetrical wire frame lined with hard-to-source linear pearls. For a neutral look, style with metallics and your best summer whites or add in color with this fresh, textural design. 14K Gold Plated Over Brass.

**Donated by Kendra Scott** 

### 1 - bottle Château Cos d'Estournel 2020

estimated value: \$215

97 points Vinous "The 2020 Cos d'Estournel is a wine of extreme elegance. Silky and light on its feet, the 2020 is incredibly nuanced. In fact it is without question the most finessed of all the top wines in Saint-Estèphe, showing more in common with some of its neighbors in the north of Pauillac than the more potent wines of Saint-Estèphe. Impossibly soft, silky tannins wrap around a core of dark red fruit, spice and orange zest. Magnificent."

Donated by Château Cos d'Estournel

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### 1 - Magnum Château La Lagune 2012 in OWB

estimated value: \$165

"This property has been making excellent wines under the administration of Caroline Frey, and 2012 continues their recent success. With a deep ruby/purple color, notes of new saddle leather, graphite, blackcurrants and black cherries, a supple texture, medium to full body and beautiful purity, this is an outstanding 2012 to drink over the next 20 years. In general, the blend tends to be approximately 60% Cabernet Sauvignon and the balance 25% Merlot followed by 15% Petit Verdot." – Wine Advocate

Donated by Château La Lagune

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### 5 - bottles George Wine Company Hansen Vineyards 2018

estimated value: \$400

Hansen is an organic dairy farm that happens to grow about 400 cases worth of farm-infused Pinot Noir. It's George's beefiest wine, with a slight tinge of grass-fed funk. Drink this with steaks. George Wine Company is a one-man Pinot Noir operation founded and run by George Levkoff, a one-time bond trader who gave up the trading life in the late 1990s to make wine in Sonoma Country. He apprenticed at Williams Selyem from 1999 to 2002 and worked at Brogan Cellars. Levkoff's debut releases were 2003 Pinot Noirs made from grapes from Hirsch Vineyard. Levkoff sources grapes primarily from vineyards in the Russian River Valley. George wines are generally available only in restaurants and from the winery.

**Donated by George Wine Company** 

### **Vintage Map of Champagne**

estimated value: \$500

An original (c.1630), beautifully hand-colored map of the region of Champagne. This map is from one of the most important atlases produced in the 17th century by Willem Blaeu and family, cartographers based in Amsterdam. This almost 400 year old map shows the Champagne producing regions of France, which lie just south of the city of Reims (Rheims), which can be located approximately in the center of the map. If you love Champagne, this is a map for you! Santé!!

Donated by Scott and Peggy Ballin

201

### 1 - bottle Bryant Family Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

estimated value: \$375

94+ points from Robert Parker, "A very strong effort, the 2006 Cabernet Sauvignon boasts a sweet perfume of blue and black fruits intermixed with hints of toasty oak, graphite, truffles, and forest floor. Full-bodied, rich, and concentrated with remarkably silky tannins for a 2006."

Bryant Family Vineyard is a Cabernet Sauvignon first released in 1992 which quickly established cult status alongside fellow Napa wines from Harlan Estate and Screaming Eagle. From biodynamically-certified Bryant Estate, the wine is made entirely from estate fruit and has picked up more Parker points than many vignerons have had hot dinners – including four 100-pointers... release price is also First Growth territory.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

### **Bigger is Better Lot**

estimated value: \$550

- 1 Magnum Brunello di Montalcino Terre Nere 2012
- 1 Magnum Matthiasson Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2020
- 1 Magnum Quinta da Foz Douro Grande Reserva 2018
- 1 Magnum Viticcio Riserva Chianti Classico 2009
- 1 Magnum Hermanos Hernaiz Finca La Emperatriz Crianza 2013

What do these all have in common? They are all 1.5 liter bottles so more of an already good thing and more fun! The Viticcio received 94 points from James Suckling, "Blueberry and fresh mushrooms with hints of flowers on the nose. Full body, with ultra-fine tannins and a beautiful finish. This is a joy to taste." The Quinta da Foz received 92 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2018 Grande Reserva is a field blend (centenarian vines and over 30 types of grapes) aged for 24 months in used French oak. The fruit tastes great but in a dry and refined fashion." The Matthiasson is something of a game changer at just over a mere 13% alcohol, it is a masterclass in elegance, abundant red fruits, lots of bright cherry along with blackberry, cranberry, and mulberry. The Brunello received 93 points from James Suckling, "aromas of roses and fresh mushrooms follow through to a medium body and dense fruit and tannin structure. Lovely cherry aftertaste. A complex and attractive 2012 Brunello."

Donated by John McDermott

### Due South, Millie's, Jetties and Surfside

estimated value: \$300

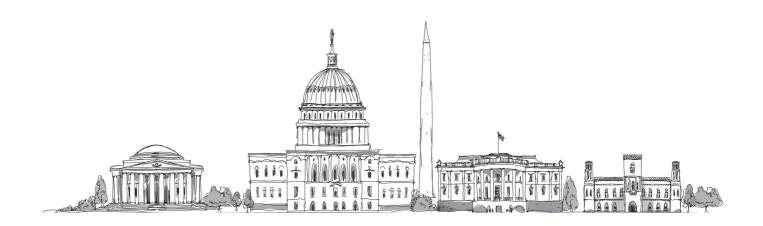
Due South, just three blocks from Nationals Park, is revered by Navy Yard locals as the best place for craft cocktails, draft beers, and delicious house-smoked barbecue on home game days. (\$100)

Millie's Spring Valley restaurant features fresh, California Baja-Style fare with a coastal vibe that has earned it accolades as one of the best restaurants in DC. In the warmer months, Millie's patio is DC's favorite spot for kid and dog friends outdoor dining and their signature frosé. (\$100)

Discover Washington DC's best sandwich shop – Jetties - with six DC locations. (\$50) "Fajitas, quesadillas, and some of the best tacos in town are done with freshness and flair." Surfside was voted Washingtonian Magazine's 100 Very Best Restaurants. (\$50)

**Restrictions:** Due South, Millie's, and Jetties expire February 19, 2025. Surfside expires July 4, 2025.

Donated by Georgetown Events Hospitality Group



### **Mad About Madeira**

estimated value: \$295

D'Oliveiras Boal Vintage Madeira 2001 Blandy's 10 Year Verdelho NV The Rare Wine Co. Historic Series Charleston Sercial Special Reserve

D'Oliveira is one of the greatest of the classic Madeira shippers, and one of the few to survive from the pre-phylloxera era. With origins as far back as 1820, and today housed in cellars that date from 1619, this highly important company is still owned by the same family, who were once highly important growers in the parish of São Martinho. The 2001 D'Oliveiras wine has a bouquet of toffee and wood. Elegant, sweet, with notes of honey, hazelnuts, dates, caramel, ginger and delicious balancing acidity. Wonderful intensity, impeccable balance and stunningly long finish.

The non-vintage 10-Year-Old Verdelho has a delightful, resinous bouquet with touches of mahogany bureau and hazelnut. The palate is crisp and taut on the entry, with vibrant acidity, and demonstrates more depth and chutzpah than its counterpart Sercial. The finish is focused with a subtle smoky note lingering after the wine has departed." - The Wine Advocate

The Charleston Sercial is the driest wine in the series and a wine that has been served throughout meals in America for nearly 300 years. In 2005, Grant Achatz, whom many believe is America's most inventive chef, attracted national press for his cutting-edge pairings of Charleston Sercial with dishes at Alinea in Chicago.

Donated by Sam Feder, Schneiders of Capitol Hill, and David White

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### **Vinarmour - The Ultimate Travel Bag for Wine**

estimated value: \$270

Vinarmour is the only travel bag to resist puncture, impact, leaking and thermal changes. The winning bidder will take home this 2-3 bottle tote bag with accessory shoulder harness.

Vinarmour Wine Carrier has a combination of protective textiles used in the manufacturing of military body armor, delivering unsurpassed protection - a marriage of state-of-the-art engineering and timeless aesthetics.

**Donated by Vinarmour** 

### **Pahlmeyer Trio**

estimated value: \$535

- 1 bottle Pahlmeyer 2006
- 1 bottle Pahlmeyer 2007
- 1 bottle Pahlmeyer 2008

"All I wanted to do was to create my own 'California Mouton' – a rich, powerful Napa Valley Bordeaux blend, a wine that would drop wine lovers to their knees," says Jayson Pahlmeyer.

The 2006 received 95 points from Robert Parker, "There are 7,000 cases of the prodigious 2006 Proprietary Red Wine (a blend of 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, and the rest Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Malbec). In the mouth, the wine is full-bodied, displaying sweet tannin, a concentrated mouthfeel, and a long, heady finish with substantial fruit, glycerin, and extract. It should drink beautifully for 20+ years."

The 2007 received 96+ points from Robert Parker, "The sensational 2007 Proprietary Red Wine is slightly more restrained aromatically than the Merlot, but there is no doubting its extraordinary bouquet of subtle smoked meats, oak, mountain wild flowers, blueberries, blackberries, coffee, and cassis. Super-rich and full-bodied with noticeable, but stunningly sweet tannins, it possesses a rare minerality and definition..." And 93 points from Robert Parker for the 2008.

Donated by Sean & Estelle Ballington

# **207**

### **Rhys Bearwallow Vineyard Magnums from 2017**

estimated value: \$385

- 1 Magnum Rhys Vineyards Chardonnay Bearwallow Vineyard 2017
- 1 Magnum Rhys Vineyards Pinot Noir Bearwallow Vineyard 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.

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.

#### Donated by Maureen Nelson

### **Château Talbot Pair**

estimated value: \$215

1 - bottle Château Talbot 2004

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Robert Parker describes them as, "A sumptuous, complex, Provencal-like bouquet of roasted herbs, cherries, licorice, and underbrush emerges from this dark plum/ruby-colored 2004." "the 2003 is...a soft, sexy, near-term style of claret with a deep plum/ruby/purple-tinged color, a big, sweet nose of anise, creme de cassis, smoke, Provencal herbs, and some spice box."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold



### **Microwinery Lot**

estimated value: \$295

Ownroot Collective -one year membership
Orixe Sotelo Tinta Alta Tempranillo, California
Cobden Wini Russian River Valley Pinot Noir 2021
Cobden Wini Old Federal Vineyard Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

Ownroot Collective is a private membership that promotes entrepreneurial winemakers who are committed to the hustle of producing their own wine brands while they work for larger brands in their day jobs. With your one-year membership you will receive 2 introductions per month. We also wanted to include a couple of the wineries that were featured through Ownroot Collective.

Orixe Sotelo owned by Gustavo and Jackie Sotelo is focused on producing wines made exclusively from Spanish varieties cultivated in California. They draw upon Alta California's unique terroirs to explore the full potential of these cultivars and write a new story encompassed in a bottle of wine. You might know Gustavo as the Winemaker at Scribe in Sonoma Valley.

Cobden Wini is the culmination of an effort involving family, friends, long days, longer nights, lots of college debt, and plenty of fun along the way. The brand name is a tribute to my parents, Christopher Cobden Davis and Mary Winifred Davis, without whom none of this would exist (including myself). Their support and encouragement enabled me to leave Maryland and head west to take a chance on a dream. Cobden Wini is the ultimate realization of that dream.

Winemaker and proprietor, Mark Davis is also the assistant winemaker for O'Brien Estate Winery.

Donated by Ownroot Collective, Orixe Sotelo Winery, and Cobden Wini

### 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.

Donated by Domain Kona Coffe

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### **Senses Wines Lot**

estimated value: \$500

- 1 bottle Senses Sonoma Coast Chardonnay 2021
- 1 bottle Senses El Diablo Chardonnay 2021
- 1 bottle Senses Day One Pinot Noir 2021

VIP Private Tasting & Tour at Senses Estate for Six

Founded by Sonoma County natives in 2011, Senses Wines is quickly becoming one of the most exciting projects to come out of the Sonoma Coast. With grapes from renowned vineyards crafted by legendary winemaker Thomas Rivers Brown, these wines are complex and beautifully balanced.

Restrictions: Winery will send wine to the winning bidder directly. Tour Expires May 1, 2025

**Donated by Senses Wines** 

### 1 - Double Magnum Château Léoville-Poyferré 2018 in OWB

estimated Value: \$550

100 points from Jeb Dunnuck, "the 2018 Château Léoville Poyferré is a total thrill that tops out my scale. Based on 64% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, and the rest Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, its dense purple hue is followed by an incredible, full-bodied monster of a wine that, despite massive amounts of fruit, tannins, and extract, still stays weightless and ethereal ... it's extraordinarily concentrated, flawlessly balanced, and has a finish that won't quit. This is a legendary wine in the making. Give bottles 7-8 years, a decade would be even better, and it will keep for 40-50 years. Hats off to the Cuvelier family for another extraordinary wine!"

97 points from the Wine Advocate, "the 2018 Léoville Poyferré comes bounding out of the glass with exuberant scents of Morello cherries, plum preserves and blackberry pie .... The palate is full-bodied, rich and decadent, delivering hedonic black fruits and lots of spicy accents with a velvety texture and seamless freshness, finishing long and satisfyingly savory. This is a very impressive showing that is delicious out of the gate but has the backbone to give a good 30 years or more of pleasure."

Donated by Château Léoville-Poyferré

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### Non-Alcoholic Bitters and Sovi Reserve Red Non-Alcoholic Wine

estimated value: \$125

Bitter Bundle - set of 4 handmade, organic non-alcoholic cocktail bitters 1 - bottle Sovi Reserve Red

This set of award-winning bitters includes our Aromatic, Orange, New Orleans, and Lavender bitters—everything you need to shake up mindful cocktails, make bitters and soda, or spice up your favorite mixers like tonic and ginger beer. All the flavor of classic bitters, without the alcohol, GMOs, added flavors, colors, or preservatives. Made entirely by hand with organic, functional herbs that may support digestion, liver health, and stress.

Sovi was created by wine lovers (Julia Littauer, Certified Sommelier & Alex Littauer, DipWSET) with a combined 20 years of experience in the wine industry. They are passionate about crafting high-quality non-alcoholic wines.

Donated by All The Bitter and Sovi

### 3 - bottles Williams Selyem Westside Road Neighbors Pinot Noir 2010

estimated value: \$285

93 points from Vinous, "Ruby-red. Explosive, nuanced aromas of candied red fruits, fresh flowers and Asian spices, with deeper cola and licorice nuances gaining power in the glass. Sappy, expansive and appealingly open-knit, offering powerful red and dark berry compote flavors enlivened by allspice and candied rose. Finishes bright and nervy, with a repeating floral quality."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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### **Winery Sixteen 600 Lot**

estimated value: \$650

- 6 bottles Winery Sixteen 600 Simons Marsanne 2018
- 3 bottles Winery Sixteen 600 Estate Zinfandel 2018
- 3 bottles Winery Sixteen 600 Severson Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2018
- 3 bottles Winery Sixteen 600 A Deux Tetes Rossi Ranch Grenache 2018

Sam Coturri joined us last year for Heart's Delight and this year, he sent along this fifteen-bottle lot for the auction. At Winery Sixteen 600 they embrace the opportunity to tell the story of a family, the vineyards they farm, the men and women who farm them, and the groundbreaking farmer who advanced an entire industry by reconnecting it to its soil.

Over forty years ago, Phil Coturri merged the ethos of his "back-to-the-land" hippie community with his life in wine growing, when he converted Dos Limones Vineyard to organic viticulture. He quickly discovered that, beyond the health and environmental benefits, organic farming and enlivened soils allowed a true sense of place to emerge in the wines.

Donated by Winery Sixteen 600

### **Alex Gambal Lot**

estimated value: \$350

Zoom Call with Alex Gambal

"Climbing the Vines in Burgundy: How an American Came to Own a Legendary Vineyard in France" by Alex Gambal, signed

1 - bottle Alex Gambal Volnay 2017

This is a unique tale about the first non-Frenchman to ever own one of the Montrachet Grand Cru vineyards in Burgundy, France. Weaved throughout entertaining stories that celebrate the history of this world-renowned region, is the chronicle of an American breaking through cultural barriers to find adventure and success.

Part memoir and part an account of practical business sense, this book is a unique personal story about how an American became a participant in the fabric of this exclusive community and in return gained a profound respect for Burgundy, its unique winemakers, and the romance of its vineyards.

Here is your chance to speak to Alex and learn first hand about his journey with a 30 minute zoom call!

Donated by Alex Gambal

#### "How to Drink Australian"

estimated value: \$770

Signed copy of Jane Lopes & Jon Ross's book "How to Drink Australian"

- 1 bottle Timo Mayer Chardonnay 2022, Yarra Valley, Australia
- 1 bottle M. Chapoutier and Laughton 'Cluster M45' Shiraz 2010, Heathcote, Australia
- 2 bottles Hobbs of Barossa Ranges Shiraz Viognier 2012
- 2 375ml Chambers Rosewood Vineyards Special Muscat NV
- 1 bottle Thistledown Where Eagles Dare Shiraz Eden Valley 2019
- 1 bottle Four Sisters Rosé 2023, Victoria, Australia
- 1 bottle Four Sisters Shiraz, Central Victoria 2017
- 1 bottle Zonte's Footstep 'Rosso Cova' Montepulciano 2012, McLaren Vale, Australia

The landscape of Australian wine is cracking with new energy and historic traditions that make it one of the most exciting wine-producing countries in the world right now. But the scholarship on Australian wine hasn't always matched the output.

How to Drink Australian corrects that. It takes readers on a journey around the country, state by state, region by region. Each state has an introduction. And the most significant regions have their own separate chapters within each state.

How to Drink Australian is a detailed, regional introduction to the wines made throughout Australia. Australia's wine regions are explored in a way that is engaging, fun and informative.

Our committee has also provided some wine to taste to help bring the book to life!

Donated by Jane Lopes, Artisans & Vines, Laura & Adam Feinberg, Pam Roberto, Schneider's of Capitol Hill

### 7 Day Cruise with Carnival

estimated value: \$3,500

Carnival Cruise Line, also known as America's Cruise Line, is a leader in contemporary cruising and operates 23 ships designed to provide fun and memorable vacation experiences at a great value. Founded in 1972, Carnival Cruise Line is one of the most recognizable brands in the cruise industry and carried over six million guests in 2019. The lucky winner of this lot will receive cruise accommodations including one standard Oceanview stateroom for two guests on a seven-day cruise from any port in North America.

**Restrictions:** Guests must book by August 11, 2024 and sail by February 11, 2026. Prize recipients must be 21 years or older. Prize includes cruise fare. Guests are responsible for applicable taxes, fees, port charges and pre-paid gratuities at time of booking. Carnival does not guarantee that the prize will be available on the exact sailing dates requested by the winner. Travel is subject to capacity control, availability, blackout dates (including Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, Spring Break and Alaska/Bermuda cruises) and certain other restrictions, all of which are subject to change. Additional terms and conditions apply. Cruise travel is subject to terms and conditions contained in the passenger ticket contract. This certificate is non-transferable and has no cash value. Guests may upgrade to balcony accommodations at their expense, subject to availability. Additional third, fourth and fifth guests can be added to the booking at prevailing market rates.

**Donated by Carnival Cruise Line** 

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### **Château Canon Mini Vertical**

estimated value: \$415

- 1 bottle Château Canon 2006
- 1 bottle Château Canon 2005
- 1 bottle Château Canon 2004

Château Canon is a sunny estate, there is joy in the garden, and an eye on the river beyond. A guardian of brilliance, Canon's wines reflect the huge rigor of the Saint- Emilion plateau. Freshness hones the huge voluptuousness and a pure, clean nectar that draws all of the minerality's tension.

Château Canon has become one of the most desirable wines of Bordeaux and a wine that takes value. Substantial investments have been made in the development of the winery as well as in the complete restructuring of the vineyard.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

### **Tail Up Goat**

estimated value: \$250

Telling sheep and goats apart isn't easy. The surefire way to know: Tail up? Goat. Tail down? Sheep. That's the origin of the Caribbean turn of phrase that gives this laid-back Adams Morgan neighborhood restaurant its name. The hospitality industry has a way of bringing great people together. Case in point, Jill Tyler, Jon Sybert and Bill Jensen, who worked side-by-side in some of Washington's best restaurants until they decided to go out on their own in 2016 to open Tail Up Goat, which Michelin has awarded a star every year since.

When three forward-thinking restaurateurs combine their talents, the result is bound to be an easygoing haven, where the food, drinks and hospitality mesh effortlessly. Don't be fooled by the casual vibe though, as this kitchen team is serious.

Donated by Tail Up Goat

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#### **Moon Mountain Lot**

estimated value: \$395

- 1 bottle Repris Left Bank Red 2009
- 1 bottle Gagnon Kennedy Monte Rosse Vineyard Zinfandel 2021
- 1 bottle Gagnon Kennedy Monte Rosse Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2020 Winery Sixteen 600 Moon Mountain Zinfandel 2019

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.

Donated by Libby Edwards, Component Wine, and Winery Sixteen 600

### **Private Champagne & Sparkling Wine Tasting Experience**

estimated value: \$600

This private champagne tasting, for up to six people, is an exclusive journey into the heart of what makes champagne special. This ninety-minute tasting is designed to be an interactive and offer a blend of luxury, education and personalized attention. You and your guests will indulge in a tasting of four artisanal grower champagne bottles, each hand selected for their unique flavors and exceptional quality.

Your journey through the bubbly world of champagne will be led by the founder of Sparkle-ist, a sommelier, Master of Champagne and true connoisseur in the field.

Restrictions: Tasting length is 90 minutes, Glassware is included, Expires Sept 30, 2024. Tasting can be customized and upgraded for additional cost.

Donated by Lieven DeGeyndt, Sparkle-ist

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### 1 - Magnum Torii Mor Pinot Noir Willamette Valley 2018

estimated value: \$60

This is loaded with blueberries, blackberries and currant fruit, underscored with tangy citrus. There are lighter veins of espresso, toasted walnuts and clean earth, with tongue-scraping acids. The overall balance is on point despite the very recent bottling, and the compact flavors suggest that there will be a further evolution over the next decade or longer.

Donated by Torii Mor

### O'Shaughnessy x Fifteen!

estimated value: \$1,400

- 4 bottles O'Shaughnessy Howell Mountain Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2014
- 2 bottles O'Shaughnessy Mt. Veeder Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2014
- 4 bottles O'Shaughnessy Howell Mountain Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2015
- 2 bottles O'Shaughnessy Howell Mountain Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2016
- 3 bottles O'Shaughnessy Mt. Veeder Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

O'Shaughnessy Estate Winery is family-owned and located on the eastern slopes of the Mayacamas Mountains, which provides the vines with ideal growing conditions and the grapes with complex flavors and aromas. The winery uses sustainable and biodynamic farming practices, which helps to produce grapes of the highest quality.

O'Shaughnessy Estate Winery's Cabernet Sauvignon is known for its rich, full-bodied structure and intense aromas and flavors of dark fruit, such as blackberry and cassis, as well as notes of chocolate, vanilla, and oak.

The winery has a state-of-the-art winemaking facility, where the grapes are fermented and aged in oak barrels to bring out the best in each varietal. The winery is also known for its commitment to sustainability, using environmentally-friendly practices throughout the winemaking process.

**Donated by Elizabeth Miklos** 

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### **Herend Night Owl**

estimated value: \$805

The Herend Porcelain Manufactory is a Hungarian manufacturing company, specializing in luxury hand-painted and gilded porcelain. Founded in 1826, it is based in the town of Herend near the city of Veszprém. In the mid-19th century, it was purveyor to the Habsburg dynasty and aristocratic customers throughout Europe. The Night Owl is handmade and hand painted with 24k gold accents and the classic fishnet design.

**Donated by Martin's Herend Imports** 

#### **Celebrate Walla Walla!**

estimated value: \$905

- 1 bottle Force Majeure Red Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
- 1 bottle Gramercy Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon 2018
- 3 bottles Buty "Rediviva of the Stones" Walla Walla Valley 2016
- 1 bottle Corliss Cabernet Sauvignon 2017
- 1 bottle Brook & Bull Reserve Malbec 2021

Brook & Bull Cellars Private Tasting for 4 with Lunch at Winery

Known as one of the nation's finest wine regions, this lush valley offers more than 130 wineries consisting of 2,900 acres of planted vineyards. A unique combination of climate, character, and culture makes the wine born in the Walla Walla Valley something to write home about.

Force Majeure is an ultra-premium winery located in the Walla Walla Valley, specializing in estate-grown, single-vineyard Bordeaux and Rhône-inspired wines meticulously crafted by former Bryant Family Vineyard Winemaker, Todd Alexander.

Corliss dedicates their best efforts to every vine, every grape and every bottle. From sustainable viticulture in our Estate Vineyards to individual berry sorting at harvest and slow native yeast fermentation in micro-scale custom oak and concrete fermenters, they make the highest quality decisions at each stage of winemaking.

Brook & Bull will not be defined by tradition or expectation, they craft wines that fit no mold.

They don't cover our wines in oak, their carefully curated corks with capsules, their labels with text, or their attitudes with pomp.

When you taste Gramercy Cellars' wine, they believe you will know that they could come only from Washington State - more sunlight hours and a little cooler than wine country further south. Rocky soils for deep, healthy roots and a dry climate that comes with irrigation when they need it.

While Buty Winery closed in 2022 they were considered a pioneer of Cabernet Sauvignon-Syrah blends and here is your chance to taste wine from 2016.

Donated by Brook & Bull Cellars, Force Majeure, Gramercy Cellars, David Hale & Gemini Wine Company, and Schneider's of Capitol Hill

# 1 – Magnum Alpha Omega Proprietary Red Napa Valley 2021

estimated value: \$240

Welcome to Melissa Paris and Barrett Spiegel for their first Heart's Delight! Located in Rutherford, in the heart of Napa Valley, this boutique winery is the joint effort of talented winemaker Jean Hoefliger and international wine consultant Michel Rolland, who are committed to making finesse-driven, complex and balanced wines using natural techniques.

Donated by Alpha Omega Winery

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### Wine Tasting Event for Ten with Eric Platt from Artisans & Vines

estimated value: \$1,000

Pull together 9 of your best friends for an in-home private wine tasting with the finest wines from artisan family estate wineries. Eric Platt, owner of Artisans & Vines, will take you on a tasting tour of reds and whites from around the world.

**Restrictions:** Valid until May 2025 on a mutually agreeable date. Valid within 35 miles of Washington, DC. Winning bidder must provide glassware and food.

Donated by Artisans & Vines and Eric Platt

### 1 - Magnum Tolaini Vallenuova Chianti Classico 2019

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estimated value: \$150

We hope you had a chance to try the wines from Tolaini tonight! Here is your chance to take two magnums home with you! There is a certain magic about the relationship between sun (southern exposure), soil (galestro/clay), and altitude, which combine to give life to this 100% 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 today is still the formal address of the winery.

Donated by Tolaini

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# Star Party 2022 Wine Club Membership with a Weekend in Staunton, Virginia

estimated Value \$500

1 bottle of each of their 2022 Rosé, Chardonnay, Riesling, Chill Red, Saperavi, Cabernet Franc
Dinner at Queen City Bistro
Two night stay at Hotel 24 South
Behind the scenes tour with winemaker, Tim Jordan
Additional local perks with experience

We are excited that Mike Gutzler, one of the owners of Star party is here with us tonight pouring. This fun package brings you to Staunton for a weekend for the Star Party experience! Located in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley, Star Party is a family owned winery that prides itself in producing low-intervention, natural wines. Star Party celebrates bringing people together, whether at simple gatherings in the backyard under the stars or those special life events we photograph and look back on for years to come. With an inaugural vintage in 2021, Star Party sources grapes primarily from the Shenandoah Valley AVA to feature the best flavors of Virginia.

You are in for an incredible weekend and some lovely wine souvenirs and memories for a lifetime!

**Restrictions:** Subject to availability. Experience is for two guests.

**Donated by Star Party Winery** 

### Château Malartic-Lagravière Duo

estimated value: \$335

1 - bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2005

1 - bottle Château Malartic-Lagravière 2000

Our friends, the Bonnie family, have been longtime supporters of Heart's Delight and here are two lovely bottles from a previous Heart's Delight auction.

The 2005 received 92 points from Robert Parker: "Perhaps the strongest wine I have ever tasted from Malartic Lagravière, the 2005 has a dense ruby/purple color and a wonderfully sweet nose of crème de cassis, graphite, and soil undertones. Medium-bodied., smoky, with classic scorched earth, Graves-like aromatics and flavors, this wine displays impeccable winemaking, with pure fruit, medium body, and gorgeously long, rich flavors and moderate levels of tannin."

The 2000 received 92 points from the Wine Spectator, "Really well-done. Best I have had from here. Extremely refined and well-crafted, with delicate spice, fresh meat and berry character. Full-bodied, with super-well-integrated tannins."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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### **Fine Boxed Wine Lot**

estimated value: \$1,030

- 1 Box Really Good Boxed Wine 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon, Oak Knoll District
- 1 Box Really Good Boxed Wine 2021 Pinot Noir, San Luis Obispo Coast
- 1 Box Really Good Boxed Wine 2022 Sauvignon Blanc, Russian River Valley
- 3 Boxes of 2023 Tablas Creek Patelin de Tablas Rosè
- 3 boxes of 2019 My Favorite Neighbor Cabernet

27L equivalent of three cases, of the highest quality BiB wine in the US. 84% lower carbon footprint than bottles and the wine stays fresh for weeks after opening. Enjoy a daily glass or share.

Donated by Really Good Boxed Wine, Tablas Creek, and My Favorite Neighbor

### **2009 Delectus Winery Collection**

estimated value: \$650

- 2 bottles Delectus Winery French Wedding Cabernet Sauvignon 2009
- 2 bottles Delectus Winery Bear Crossing Cabernet Sauvignon 2009
- 2 bottles Delectus Winery Boulder Falls Cabernet Sauvignon 2009

John loved Delectus and especially loved to talk about the time he spent working harvest at Delectus. It was a thrill for him and these wines brought him so much joy. Thank you to the Brooks family for sharing them.

Delectus wines are bold and assertive, handcrafted from select vineyards throughout Napa Valley. With a focus on luxury Bordeaux reds like Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Petit Verdot, they strive to produce wines that are balanced, distinctive and age-worthy. Over the years they've received high scores and praise from wine critics and consumers alike and take pride in producing expressive red wines that never compromise the art of winemaking.

Donated by The Brooks Family in Memory of John Brooks

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# **Alton Lane - MTM Shirt Party for Five**

estimated value: \$745

Located in the Dupont Circle neighborhood of DC, Alton Lane would like to invite a group of 5 gentlemen to their showroom for a custom shirt party. Each guest will receive a made-to-measure shirt. Your party will be welcomed with cocktails and snacks to ensure it is a fun evening.

At Alton Lane they have researched every element, from threads to finishing, to make their shirts pure sartorial heaven. When you design a tailored dress shirt with Alton Lane, you're guaranteed more comfort, better performance, and a perfect fit that elevates your ensemble and makes you feel confident. Whether you're planning on wearing these tailored shirts on their own or under a suit, you need every seam and fold to drape just right — you need it to fit you!

Restrictions: Expires November 8, 2024

Donated by Alton Lane

### **Nysa Pinot Noir Vertical 2012-2017**

estimated value: \$450

We hope you had a chance to meet Monique Bailey and taste the wine from Nysa. Dense spacing helps concentrate flavor in Nysa's low yield Oregon Pinot Noir vineyard. Nysa Vineyard sits at 600-720 feet elevation in the Dundee Hills of Oregon's northern Willamette Valley. The vineyard spans 40 acres of volcanic Jory soil with basalt bedrock 8 to 12 feet below the surface. The high percentage of clay combines with soil depth to hold moisture late into the season, permitting dry farming. They planted the first eight acres in 1990 to own-rooted Pommard and Wadenswil Pinot Noir. In 2001, they planted three acres of phyloxera-resistant rootstock grafted to the 115 Dijon clone. In 2003, an additional four acres of Pommard, Cory, and Wadenswil clones on resistant rootstock were planted. In 2006 the 777 clone, more Pommard, and the Wente chardonnay clone were planted on resistant root stock.

Donated by Nysa

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# **HOBO** "Gardner" Shoulder Bag

estimated value: \$315

A forever favorite from the HOBO design archives, the Gardner shoulder bag is perfectly slouchy with a tassel designed to move with you. Gardner will be the bag you always reach for, the one you throw over your shoulder and head out the door.

**Donated by HOBO Bags** 

# 2 - bottles Scarecrow Cabernet Sauvignon Monsieur Étain 2009 in OWB

estimated value: \$425

"The 2009 Cabernet Sauvignon M. Etain is dark, rich, sumptuous and highly expressive. A totally voluptuous wine, the 2009 flows across the palate with layers of dark fruit. Stylistically, the M. Etain is very close to the Scarecrow Cabernet in this vintage..." 93 points – Wine Advocate

The 2009 vintage is the second for Scarecrow's M. Étain Cabernet Sauvignon, a second label which 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."

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George

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#### Château Coutet 2008 & 1998

estimated value: \$110

1 - bottle Château Coutet 20081 - bottle Château Coutet 1998

The Baly family have been longtime supporters of Heart's Delight and are missing having them with us this year. 2008 was reviewed by Neal Martin, The Wine Advocate "The 2008 Chateau Coutet has a very extroverted bouquet, with notes of tangerine, pink grapefruit, guava and pear drop, showing fine definition. The palate is well-balanced, with Coutet's trademark citrus-driven entry segueing into a pure honeyed, mineral-rich finish that is linear, but very composed at this stage. This will need time, but it already displays that trademark race and tension that are the hallmarks of a great Coutet. Drink now-2040." 92 points

Neal Martin also scored the 1998 92 points for the Wine Advocate, "It has a typical Barsac bouquet that is fresh and well defined with aromas of pear, dried apricot, mango and a faint adhesive aroma that is actually quite attractive. The palate is medium-bodied with an attractive viscous entry, notes of spice, ginger, a touch of lemon curd, dried lemon and Seville orange marmalade. It shows a little more harmony than the '01 at this stage, very good length. Excellent."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

# Salvestrin Three D Cabernet Sauvignon

estimated value: \$645

- 1 bottle Salvestrin Three D Cabernet Sauvignon 2012
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- 1 bottle Salvestrin Three D Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

It began when Italian immigrants John and Emma Salvestrin fell in love with St. Helena while visiting friends in the early 1920s. In 1932 they purchased a portion of the historic Crane Ranch, including the Victorian home of Dr. Crane. With the repeal of prohibition in 1933, they started selling grapes as the wine industry began to grow again.

"The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon 3D from the Dr. Crane Vineyard is a beauty. Notes of wet pebbles, crème de cassis, blackberry and earth jump from the glass of this cuvée that represents 350 cases. The wine is rich, full, complete, with beautiful sweet fruit, ripe tannin and a multi-layered mouthfeel. This is terrific wine to drink over the next 15 or more years." 94 points – The Wine Advocate

The 2010 received 97 points from Robert Parker, "The more expensive 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon 3D (which stands for 3 blocks, 3 lots, 3 barrels, 3 daughters) is even better than the basic cuvee, but of course, there is virtually none of it. It possesses a black/purple color as well as a gorgeous perfume of black currants, blackberries, camphor, incense and hints of background wood and forest floor. Full-bodied, rich, pure and multidimensional, it is a killer Cabernet Sauvignon to drink over the next 25-30 years. Kudos to the Salvestrin family!"

The 2009 received 94 points from the Wine Advocate, "Full-bodied, lush and long, it's a terrific wine, almost the equal of what is being made now, but with the smoothness of age. Rich Salvestrin says 2009 "was a really good growing season, not that hot, unlike 2008. Yields were solid, just an ideal growing season." The wine reflects that excellence."

Robert Parker scored the 2007 94 points, "The 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon 3D is a limited production, ... The wine is rich and full-bodied, with outstanding concentration, texture, and length. ... This serious wine will benefit from several years of cellaring and drink well for 20 or more years." The 2006 received 92 points from the Wine Advocate.

#### **Donated by Elizabeth Miklos**

### **2014 Morlet Family Vineyards in OWB**

estimated value: \$645

- 1 bottle Morlet Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Prix du Jury 2014
- 1 bottle Morlet Family Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon Piece de Maitre 2014

Jodie and Luc Morlet, whose family owns Pierre Morlet & Fils in Champagne, founded their own wine estate in St. Helena, California in 2006. Ever since then they have been producing countless vintages of Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, and Syrah. They have specialized in taking winemaking techniques from the Old World and adapting them to California's terroir. The result is intense, rich, and complex wines that have the utmost refinement and are served at the most prestigious tables and shared by wine connoisseurs and collectors.

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George

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# Join Ann Limpert, food critic for the Washingtonian, for "Dinner with a Critic"

estimated value: \$500

Ann Limpert is the Executive Food Editor/Critic for Washingtonian. She joined Washingtonian in late 2003. She was previously an editorial assistant at Entertainment Weekly and a cook in New York restaurant kitchens, and she is a graduate of the Institute of Culinary Education. She lives in Petworth.

For so many of us, this is a dream job! Here is the chance for you and a guest to have a behind-the-scenes look at how a restaurant review gets put together, learn all about what it's like to dine (anonymously) for a living, talk shop about the Washington restaurant scene, leave armed with tons of recommendations, and of course, eat and drink!

**Restrictions:** Dinner will be at a mutually agreed upon restaurant that Ann is reviewing, and on weeknights only.

**Donated by Ann Limpert** 

# **Massican Magnums!**

estimated value: \$160

- 1 Magnum Massican Annia White Wine 2018
- 1 Magnum Massican Annia White Wine 2017

We love Dan Petroski at Heart's Delight and while he was with us earlier in the week, he also donated these lovely two magnums which both received 92 points from the Wine Spectator.

For those of you who don't know Massican wines, they are Mediterranean-inspired white wines made in California. Massican wines are timeless, vibrant, and stylistically "Mediterranean." Annia is the flagship wine sourced from small vineyards around the Napa Valley. The three grape varietals, Tocai, Ribolla and Chardonnay, are harvested separately, and fermented independently in French Oak and stainless steel tanks until blending six weeks before bottling. The Tocai and Ribolla build the aroma and flavor profile of the wine, while the Chardonnay adds to the wine's structure.

**Donated by Massican Winery** 

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# **Burgess Six Bottle Napa Valley Collection**

estimated value: \$775

- 3 bottles Burgess Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley 2021
- 3 bottles Burgess Quartz Creek Cabernet Sauvignon 2021

We are thrilled that winemaker, Meghan Zobeck is joining us today for her first Heart's Delight! Vinous writes, "Meghan Zobeck crafts gorgeous wines that reflect classicism but with a modern sensibility." Burgess is among Napa Valley's greatest historical estates. Since its genesis in 1972, the winery has embraced the role and importance of nature in crafting elegant wines from its pedigreed vineyards. Burgess is going through a period of transition under its new ownership.

"The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Quartz Creek is a powerful, dense wine. In this vintage, the site's rocky soils yielded a vibrant, structured and aromatic Cabernet Sauvignon. Graphite, menthol, cloves, iron and dark fruit all build into the ample finish. The 2021 is going to need a number of years to come into its own. This is an especially brooding, tannic young Cabernet Sauvignon. It was aged for 20 months in French oak barriques." 93+ points - Vinous

#### **Donated by Burgess**

### 1 - Magnum Château d'Yquem 1997

estimated value: \$850

96 points from Robert Parker, "A sensational Yquem, 1997 may be this estate's finest effort since 1990. The 1997's light gold color is accompanied a gorgeous perfume of caramel, honeysuckle, peach, apricot, and smoky wood. Full-bodied and unctuously-textured, with good underlying acidity as well as loads of sweetness and glycerin, it looks to be a great vintage for this renowned Sauternes estate. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2055.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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### Middleburg is for Wine & Bourbon Lovers!

estimated value: \$5,000

Middleburg Home - 2 night stay for 6 guests
RdV Vineyards - Tasting for 4
Slater Run Vineyards - Tasting for 6
Middleburg Barrel Company and The Fountain Inn - Bourbon Tasting for 10 Guests

Middleburg, Virginia is just under an hour from DC but feels like a different world. You will stay in this amazing house in Middleburg where you are within walking distance to the charming historic downtown, set against the backdrop of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Chestnut Cottage has three queen bedrooms, two and a half baths. Included with your stay is a tasting for 6 at Slater Run Vineyards.

You will also get a visit for 4 to RdV. RdV Vineyard's 16 acres of vines are located on a steep, stony hillside in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. They focus on doing one thing extraordinarily well—creating world-class Bordeaux-style blends.

Now switching gears to Bourbon! Middleburg Barrel Company focuses on small batch bourbons that blend tradition and legacy. Their bourbons celebrate the land and history of Middleburg, Virginia, ensuring every drop tells a story of heritage and resilience. Up to ten guests will join a tour of the barrel and bottling facility before settling in for a tasting of 3 exclusive whiskies, including Hunt Country Bourbon.

Restrictions: Expires May 2025. Mutually agreeable date. No pets.

Donated by Barry & Bambi Landew, RdV, Slater Run Vineyards, Middleburg Barrel Company, and The Fountain Inn

#### 12 - bottles Château Bellisle Mondot 2000 in OWB

estimated value: \$600

Located in Saint-Laurent-des Combes, just south east of Saint-Émilion, Château Bellisle-Mondotte spans 4.5ha and is planted mainly to Merlot.

The 2000 vintage is described by Robert Parker, "The impressive 2000 is undoubtedly a sleeper of the vintage. It offers an opaque purple color along with copious quantities of sweet crème de cassis notes intermixed with coffee, smoke, earth, and mocha. Full-bodied and intense, with low acidity, a layered texture, sweet tannin, and a 35-second finish..."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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# 1 - Magnum DK Grail, The Approach Pinot Noir 2021

estimated value: \$250

Welcome to Dan Kosta who joins us this year for his first Heart's Delight! DK Grail is a quest for exceptional Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, guided by Dan Kosta's reputation for producing world-class quality. "The Approach Pinot Noir is a selection of our top four barrels of Pinot Noir from the vintage. Unconstrained by geographic limits, the 2021 blend draws from all three of the finest Pinot Noir appellations in California: Russian River Valley, Santa Lucia Highlands, and West Sonoma Coast. Pristine fruit from our longtime friends at Garys' Vineyard, Campbell Ranch, Umino, and Gantz vineyards come together to create the elegant profile of this wine, which is aged 15 months in French Oak barrels. This release is multidimensional, with age-worthy tannins and balanced acidity leading to a complete, satisfying finish." – Dan Kosta

Donated by DK Wine Group

# Learn How to Drink like a Master Sommelier with Ira Harmon, MS

estimated value: \$1,000

Ira Harmon became Master Sommelier in 1993, one of the first from America, and has mentored over 40 Master Sommeliers along their journeys to joining the Court.

Here is your chance for a 30-minute Zoom session where you can share a glass of wine (virtually) with one of the godfathers of the wine industry. You can hear about his journey in the industry, pick his brain about wine or anything else you might like to discuss.

**Restrictions:** To be scheduled on a mutually agreeable date.

Donated by Ira Harmon, MS

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### **Aubert Chardonnay Lauren Estate Vineyard Mini Vertical**

estimated value: \$720

- 1 bottle Aubert Chardonnay Lauren Estate Vineyard 2019
- 1 bottle Aubert Chardonnay Lauren Estate Vineyard 2018
- 1 bottle Aubert Chardonnay Lauren Estate Vineyard 2017

Lauren Vineyard, named after Mark Aubert's daughter, is the first vineyard Mark Aubert ever bought. It is composed of gravel mixed with Goldrich soils and was planted in 1999 to four different clones: two Old Wente clones, Mount Eden and Corton-Charlemagne.

97-100 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2019 Chardonnay Lauren Estate delivers the most gorgeous silken texture with tons of opulent spice-laced tropical fruit flavors and a refreshing line, finishing with incredible length and energy. Singularly stunning."

100 points from the Wine Advocate for the 2018 "The 2018 Chardonnay Lauren Estate comes barreling out of the glass... Full-bodied, rich, spicy and so, so seductive, the palate is as opulent as it is impeccably poised, finishing with epic length and depth."

100 points from the Wine Advocate for the 2017, "The 2017 Chardonnay Lauren Estate starts out with a quiet intensity of ripe pears, apricot tart and spiced apples notes, growing exponentially to reveal a whole spectrum of savory/earthy nuances ... Full-bodied, the palate truly lets off the flavor fireworks..."

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George

#### The Henri Wine Dinner for Six

estimated value: \$1,600

Seated in one of The Henri's amazing private dining rooms, Chef Frederik De Pue curates a seasonal menu, paired with unique wines from around the world.

We hope you had a chance to try The Henri's food tonight and this is an amazing chance to enjoy a beautiful meal in a chic setting in downtown DC. Chef Frederik De Pue serves modern European dishes in a comfortable setting so all you have to do is enjoy!

**Restrictions:** Excludes gratuity, available on Friday and Saturday (Sunday closed). Up to six guests.

Donated by The Henri

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# **Seven Apart Expedition 2021 - 3 Bottle Set**

estimated value: \$625

Thank you to Yannick Girardo for joining us for his first Heart's Delight! Seven Apart Expedition climbs to new heights with famed Winemaker, Andy Erickson. He has some remarkable brands on his winemaking resume, among them Screaming Eagle, Staglin, and Dalla Valle, and he unquestionably understands the nature of Napa Cabernet. For his latest venture, he's serving as winemaker for Seven Apart, whose Seven Apart Expedition expression is a small-production (60-barrel) odyssey, made with grapes blended from the winery's Base Camp and Stags Ridge vineyards, it's aged for 18 months in French oak. Stags Ridge sits on a volcanic plateau, yielding what the winery refers to as extreme mountain-grown Napa Cabernet at an elevation few vineyards reach.

It was awarded 98 points from the Wine Advocate, "This is the second vintage from Seven Apart. The upper vineyard, Stag's Ridge, is planted to mostly Cabernet Sauvignon, with small amounts of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Seven miles down the road, where Soda Canyon Road meets the Silverado Trail, is the four-acre Base Camp vineyard, planted in the mid-1990s to Cabernet Sauvignon with some Merlot and Cabernet Franc."

Donated by Seven Apart

### 2 - bottles Jean Vesselle Le Petit Clos Grand Cru 2008

estimated value: \$250

Entirely from Grand Cru Bouzy and aged to perfection in the cellar, this is richly layered, perfumed and graceful. For nearly 300 years, the Vesselle family has been tilling the chalky soils of Bouzy and cultivating some of the village's best-placed Pinot Noir vines. The family's collection of top terroirs and generations of leadership in championing Pinot Noir is what makes wines from Domaine Jean Vesselle such eloquent examples of Blanc de Noirs Champagnes.

The family owns one of Champagne's smallest walled vineyards, the 'Petit Clos.' Located just outside the Vesselle home in Bouzy, 'Petit Clos' is the pinnacle of the powerful yet elegant Bouzy style, pure grand cru Pinot Noir fermented in barrels made from oak trees from the Champagne region, and aged for a decade in bottle.

Domaine Jean Vesselle crafts "grower" Champagne, a récoltant-manipulant house that grows its own grapes and makes its own wine all on site. This qualitative difference is crucial for those seeking the ultimate in Champagne flavor and character.

Donated by The Brooks Family in Memory of John Brooks

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# Imperial Château Clinet 1996, signed

estimated value: \$1,300

A vintage as esteemed as the 1996 Clinet from Château Clinet commands reverent contemplation for its place within the dynamic tapestry of Bordeaux's Pomerol wines. The 1996 vintage captivates with a character uniquely chiseled by the year's climatic elegance. Château Clinet delivered an expression that balances acute precision with indulgent richness; a Pomerol display unearthing a kaleidoscope of terroir-driven nuances. Its investment potential shines through its ability to gracefully shoulder the passage of time, emerging with an ever-growing complexity—structured, refined, and teeming with promise.

This particular year delivered a moderated ripeness which aligned seamlessly with firm tannins to age with exceptional integrity. The 1996 Clinet thus reveals its dimensions sip by sip: bold yet bewitchingly humble, quietly articulating Pomerol's timeless narrative. With each passing year, the 1996 Clinet burnishes its stature within the archives of Bordeaux's viticultural excellence, reaffirming its position as one of life's fine pleasures worth imbibing and investing in.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

# **Circle of Spain**

estimated value: \$655

- 1 bottle Bodegas Veiga Serantes Albarino, Rias Baixas 2020
- 1 bottle Bodegas Tradicion Amontillado Sherry VORS 30 Year
- 1 bottle Bodegas y Vinedos del Jaro Single-Vineyard Tempranillo "Sed de Cana", Ribera del Duero 2006
- 1 bottle La Rioja Alta S.A. Gran Reserva 904 2005, Rioja
- 1 bottle Clos Mogador Vi de Finca, Priorat 2011
- 1 bottle R. Lopez de Heredia Vina Tondonia Reserva 2010

While Spain may be famous for its cuisine, music, and fútbol, we think wine might be where this beautiful culture shines the brightest. The inspiration for this lot was a wine tour of Spain and a sampling from the various regions. Spain is the third-largest wine producer globally and one of the earliest areas in Europe that was planted with grapes; back around 2500 B.C., tribes traveling out of Africa established Spain's first wine regions. Here is a chance to enjoy a taste of Spain, no passport required.

Donated by Laura & Adam Feinberg, David Hale & Gemini Wine Company, and David White

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# Virginia's Darling Dinner for Two at the Chef's Counter with Wine Pairing

estimated value: \$250

We are so excited that Virginia's Darling is with us tonight and we hope you had a chance to try their food. The chef's counter dinner is a four-course sharing experience for 2, a way to taste all of Virginia's Darling's greatest hits, and is complemented by women-driven wines that highlight the season and the food. Get up close and personal with the chef and sommelier! This is just available for the winner of this auction lot, not something available regularly so this is a special opportunity!

Located in Old Town Alexandria, their menu is an eclectic mix of New American small plates. And their environment is decidedly laid back. This will be your favorite neighborhood dinner party (even if it isn't your neighborhood)!

Restrictions: Excludes gratuity. Expired May 11, 2025

Donated by Virginia's Darling

# **George Wine Company - Three Magnum Lot**

estimated value: \$495

- 1 Magnum George Wine Leras Family Vineyard Pinot Noir 2015
- 1 Magnum George Wine Hansen Vineyard Pinot Noir 2011
- 1 Magnum George Wine King Family Vineyard Pinot Noir 2007

George Levkoff is a longtime, generous supporter of Heart's Delight and here is a lovely magnum lot with some age on it and a variety of vineyards to sample. His wines have caught the attention of top sommeliers at restaurants in Las Vegas and New York and has become quite a cult wine. The wines are highly allocated to an eager mailing list with very limited retail distribution – so here is your chance!

**Donated by George Wine Company** 

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# **Almacerro Estate Vineyard Package**

estimated value: \$890

1 - Magnum Almacerro Estate Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2018 Private vineyard tour and tasting for four guests.

Almacerro is a family-owned winemaking estate harkening back to the cherished tradition of Napa Valley vineyard homesteads. Patiently revitalized by Proprietor Frank Scherkenbach who purchased the 41-acre property in 2016 after four decades of visiting Napa Valley, Almacerro sits at 1780 feet on Howell Mountain, with 11 acres of vineyard occupying a remote area of the AVA. With a team that includes Vineyard Manager Mike Wolf, Consulting Winemaker Françoise Peschon, and Winemaker Matilda Scott, Almacerro creates classic mountain wines that are forthright in structure, nuanced and balanced in character, and evocative of the wild place they call home.

The 2018 received 95 points from Vinous, "The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon is a gorgeous wine. Inky dark fruit, gravel, scorched earth, lavender, game, spice and bittersweet chocolate all come alive as this striking, wonderfully nuanced Cabernet opens in the glass. A wine of stature and dynamic energy, the 2018 is just striking. This is an especially delicate, understated Cabernet for Howell Mountain.

Donated by Almacerro Estate Vineyard

#### The New Wines of Mt Etna + Zoom Chat

estimated value: \$1,175

Conversation with award-winning author The New Wines of Mount Etna, Benjamin North Spencer

The New Wines of Mount Etna

- 1 bottle Nuzzella 24 Mesi Blanc de Noir 2020
- 1 bottle Benanti Pietra Marina 2018
- 1 bottle Pietradolce Vigna Barbagalli 2017
- 1 bottle Donnafugata Fragore Etna Rosso 2019
- 1 bottle Tenuta di Fessina Musmeci 2020
- 1 bottle Tenuta di Fessina A'Puddara 2020
- 1 bottle Terre Nere Etna Rosato 2022
- 1 bottle Tenuta delle Terre Nere Etna Prephylloxera "La Vigna di Don Peppino"
   Calderara Sottana 2016

Making wine on Europe's largest active volcano doesn't come easy. Frequent changes in topography, elevation, and weather influence each vintage and every winemaker has an interpretation of the evolving volcanic landscape. This is part of what makes Etna so exciting. The wines are as inviting as the terrain. For millennia the mountain served as a backdrop in the development of Europe. Today, the UNESCO Heritage Site is a destination for the world. American wine expert Benjamin Spencer goes beyond the vines to explore the history and rebirth of the region that has everyone talking about Sicily. The New Wines of Mount Etna is the first book in the English language dedicated to the volcanic wines of Mount Etna. The lucky winner of this lot will receive a copy of the book as well as an opportunity for a 30 minute Zoom call with the auction, Benjamin North Spencer. We also have a lovely collection of wine from Mt. Etna for you to sample as you learn!

Restriction: Mutually agreeable date. Expires May 2025

Donated by Benjamin North Spencer, Pam Roberto, and David White

# An Evening at the Opera and Wine Dinner

estimated value: \$2,000

"Opening night" Opera performance for Two during the Washington National Opera's 2024-2025 season

Pre-Performance Wine Dinner at the Kennedy Center with Eric and Heather Kadel

To make the evening even more special, the winning bidder will join WNO Trustee and Heart's Delight auction committee member Eric Kadel and his wife, Heather, for a pre-performance dinner for four at the Kennedy Center's Roof Terrace Restaurant. The WNO will provide dinner and the Kadels will provide two special wines from their cellar, selected with input from the winning bidder. For example, last year's package was won by a lover of Burgundy, and the wines poured at dinner were the 2014 Maison Albert Bichot Domaine Long Depaquit Les Vaudesirs Grand Cru Chablis and the 2014 Domaine Mongeard-Mugneret Richebourg Grand Cru. You will have access to the Kennedy Center's Opera House Lounge before the performance and/or during the intermission, and if available on the night of performance, the night will also include a special experience offered by the WNO, such as a pre-performance lecture from WNO General Director Timothy O'Leary, a backstage tour or attendance at the post-performance cast party.

WNO General Director O'Leary and Artistic Director Francesca Zambello have announced the lineup for the 2024-2025 season, which will include six titles performed in the Kennedy Center Opera House – new productions of Beethoven's Fidelio and Verdi's Macbeth, the WNO premiere of The (R)evolution of Steve Jobs, and a revival of WNO's acclaimed production of Porgy and Bess, along with two staged concerts, "Wagner: Gods & Mortals" and "American Rhapsody", which will feature beloved music performed by an extraordinary array of opera stars.

**Restrictions:** To be arranged on a mutually agreeable date. Wines to be selected by the Kadels with input from the winning bidder. Season runs from October 2024 through May 2025. Not eligible for the performance taking place on the night of the Washington National Opera Gala.

Donated by Washington National Opera and Eric & Heather Kadel

### **John Brooks Tribute Case**

estimated value: \$755

- 1 bottle Brooks Janus Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 bottle Day Wines Johan Vineyards Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 bottle 00 Wine VGR Pinot Noir 2019
- 1 bottle Audeant WV Pinot Noir 2019
- 1 bottle Bergstrom Silice Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 bottle Brittan Vineyards Estate Pinot Noir 2018
- 1 bottle Cameron Abbey Ridge Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 bottle Cameron Clos Electrique Pinot Noirs 2021
- 1 bottle Hundred Suns Bednarik Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 bottle Kelley Fox Wines Weber Vineyard Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 bottle Lingua Franca Tongue & Cheek Pinot Noir 2018
- 1 bottle Patricia Green Cellars Balcombe Pinot Noir 2021

We lost a longtime committee member and friend, John Brooks and it has hit us all hard. One of his fellow committee members wanted to put together a lot including some of John's favorite wines in tribute. Joel writes, "Sometimes you volunteer with someone who shares passionately an avocation, and then you learn his backstory. And you realize that they were a more remarkable person than you realized. That was John Brooks."

Donated by Joel Kleinman

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### **MFG Toffee Topper & Mousse Party!**

estimated value: \$550

We hope you had a chance to try MFG Toffee today! Here is your chance to bring the party back to your house! MFG Toffee & Bark Company will provide fifty 3 oz. cups of indulgent, dark chocolate mousse along with your choice of up to three of our decadent toffees and/or barks. Your guests will be able to select their toppings. It's a perfect addition to any celebration! MFG will also staff the event. For years, owner, Kathy Filosi Nelson, made English Walnut toffee from an old family recipe and what started out as a side business has exploded with sixteen, globally inspired toffee and bark flavors.

**Restrictions:** Mutually agreed upon date, within the DMV region. Expires December 2024.

Donated by MFG Toffee & Bark Company

# 1 - Magnum Thomas T Thomas Vineyards Buster's Hill Pinot Noir 2019

estimated value: \$200

Welcome to Thomas T. Thomas who is joining us for his first Heart's Delight! His boutique, family owned and operated vineyard and winery produces estate grown, Anderson Valley Pinot Noir wines. This Buster's Hill received 93 points from Wine Enthusiast, "This full-bodied wine shows the baritone side of Pinot Noir, offering broad black-fruit notes in the aromas and flavors, while a mouth-filling texture amplifies the bass notes. Black cherries, dark plums and a touch of rhubarb make for a complex palate."

Donated by Thomas T. Thomas Vineyards



#### Welcome to New York!

estimated value: \$4,000

The Daily Show - 2 Tickets

Tribeca Grill - Burger and Burgundy

The Peninsula - 2 Night Stay in a Grand Luxe King Room

Be ready for some fun. First, you will check in at the Peninsula New York which is located on iconic 5th Avenue and only a few blocks from Central Park and Radio City Music Hall. You will enjoy a 2-night stay in one of their luxurious Grand Luxe King Room, the largest guest room with oversized windows that offer splendid city views of Fifth Avenue on 55th Street. Don't forget to relax in the deep-soaking bathtub complete with a television for pure relaxation.

Make your way to 11th Avenue and 51st Street to the taping of the Daily Show. Watch Jon Stewart and The Daily Show news team cover the biggest headlines of the day.

For dinner, head downtown to Tribeca for a Tribecca Grill's famous Burger and Burgundy for dinner! There is nothing better than a great bottle of Burgundy with a delicious burger!

Since 1990, Tribeca Grill has played a starring role in the vibrant downtown New York City dining scene. Owned by famed restaurateur Drew Nieporent and Oscar-winning actor Robert De Niro, the Grill provides a quintessential NYC dining experience, enhanced with a Wine Spectator Grand Award-winning wine list, and great people-watching.

**Restrictions: Peninsula Hotel:** Expires May 30, 2025. Excludes September 15-30 and December 1-31, 2024 and May 9-20, 2025). **The Daily Show:** Mondays through Thursdays only and redeem at least 4 weeks in advance. Must be 18 years or older with valid ID. **Tribeca Grill:** Expires December 2024. Good for a bottle of Burgundy of your choice and one burger per person (up to 2 people).

Donated by The Peninsula Hotel, The Daily Show and Tribeca Grill

### **Beckstoffer Vineyards Lot**

estimated value: \$1,500

- 1 bottle B Cellars Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2017 Bambi Landew
- 1 bottle Stewart Cellars 'Nomad' Beckstoffer Dr Crane Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2018
- 1 bottle Taub Family Vineyards Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2018
- 1 bottle MX Wines Angus & Aryle Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2009
- 1 bottle Sojourn Cellars Beckstoffer Georges III Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2016
- 1 bottle Stewart Cellars 'Nomad' Beckstoffer Dr Crane Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
- 1 bottle Boich Family Cellar Beckstoffer Georges III Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
- 1 bottle Williams Selyem Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Missouri Hopper Vineyard 2020

Andy Beckstoffer journeyed to Napa from his home state of Virginia in the late 1960s. He had a dream to transform farming into an entrepreneurial industry where cultivating crops was financially sustainable for generations to come. But the road ahead of him was long as Napa Valley was a different place back then. The hospitality industry for which Napa has become famous for did not exist as it does today. There were no Michelin star restaurants or an abundance of world-class wineries; virtually there was no wine country.

Businesses dedicated to growing and selling grapes was a foreign concept. In fact, upon his arrival, Andy recalls being treated like a third-class citizen. His response to this treatment? Andy founded the Napa Valley Grape Growers Association to provide growers a seat at the table and a voice to be heard. Today, Beckstoffer Vineyards has contributed in infinite ways to the transformation of Napa Valley. Andy and the grape growing empire he created has helped establish the world-recognized wine, culinary, and hospitality powerhouse that Napa has become.

Donated by Eric Kadel, Joel Kleinman, Barry & Bambi Landew, Carol Melim in memory of Pete Melim, and Elizabeth Miklos

### 1 – Magnum Château Pichon Comtesse 2000

estimated value: \$700

96 points from the Wine Advocate, "I find this to be a spectacular Pichon Lalande. Dense purple in color, with loads of coffee, mocha, creme de cassis, and chocolate notes, this is a somewhat unusual blend of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 34% Merlot, and a whopping 10% Petit Verdot, with a little bit of Cabernet Franc. This is a rich, opulent, stunning Pichon Lalande that is beginning to drink beautifully, yet should continue to improve for at least another 10-15 years and last 30 or more years."

Donated by Château Pichon Comtesse

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# Behind the Scenes Tour of the U.S. Capitol with Manu Raju

estimated value: \$1,000

Join CNN's Anchor of 'Inside Politics with Manu Raju' and Chief Congressional Correspondent, Manu Raju for a behind the scenes tour of the U.S. Capitol. Manu will provide an insider's view into reporting the news on Capitol Hill, making sure to point out some famous - and infamous - spots along the way!

Manu is a veteran reporter in Washington, having previously served as a top Capitol Hill correspondent at Politico for seven years. Prior to his time at Politico, Manu reported for The Hill newspaper, Congressional Quarterly and Inside Washington Publishers. He has long been a frequent guest on political talk shows on TV and radio.

Manu Raju has won multiple journalism awards for his reporting on the major battles consuming Washington and his coverage of campaign politics. He got his start in media working at the student newspaper The Badger Herald at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, his alma mater. And his writing roots extend to his late grandfather, Gopalakrishna Adiga, a legendary poet from South India who wrote in the language of Kannada. Manu is a long-suffering Chicago sports fan and a native of the Greater Chicago area.

Restrictions: Expires April 2025. Available on a mutually agreeable date Monday through Saturday between 8:30am - 4:30 pm. Valid for 2 guests

#### Donated by Manu Raju

### 2 - bottles Château Angelus 1998

estimated value \$1,100

96 points from the Wine Advocate, "Another great showing for a Right Bank wine, the 1998 Angelus shows a saturated opaque, plum/purple color and a beautiful fragrance of blueberry and black raspberries with licorice, asphalt, truffle and a touch of white chocolate."

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

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# Afton Mountain Vineyards Jeroboam, and Vineyard Tour & Tasting with Winemaker

estimated value: \$800

1 - Jeroboam Afton Mountain Vineyards T 2019
 Vineyard tour & barrel cave tasting for 8 guests, led by winemaker
 Damien Blanchon

In 1978 vines were first planted at Afton Mountain Vineyards, making it one of the first vineyards in Virginia. Located in the Monticello AVA, on the sunrise side of the Blue Ridge Mountains in Nelson County, only 30 minutes from Charlottesville, their vineyard is planted with 11 different varieties of Vitis vinifera grapes and their wines are produced only from these estate-grown grapes. Our winemaker, Damien Blanchon, and his team work diligently to implement sustainable and environmentally respectful practices both inside the winery and outside in the vineyard, in fact he has been recognized nationally for his sustainability practices. Damien is known as a leader of the sustainable movement in Virginia, and he is always willing to teach and share his knowledge with others. Born to a winemaking family, Damien relies on his deep experience as he approaches each new growing season with the goal of showcasing our terroir and balancing the unique character of every vintage. Every bottle of wine they produce is a testament to his knowledge and philosophy of caring for the land.

Restrictions: Must be scheduled by May 25, 2025

**Donated by Afton Mountain Vineyards** 

#### **Four Seasons Punta Mita Mexico**

estimated value: \$5,000

Welcome to Punta Mita, Mexico where you will stay in an Ocean Casita for two nights at the beautiful Four Seasons! You can unwind on the private terrace overlooking the ocean, and reflect on the enchanting beauty of Punta Mita. You will be able to escape to 2 secluded beaches, the adults only Tamai Pool or the infinity-edge Nuna Pool overlooking the Pacific Ocean. Don't forget to check out the daily list of activities. Yoga, aquarobics, nature walks, Xocolatl tasting and spinning are a few of the activities that are offered.

**Restrictions:** Expires May 11, 2025. Holidays excluded and based on availability, some other blackout dates may apply.

**Donated by Four Seasons Punta Mita** 

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# 1 - Magnum Ink Grade Cabernet Sauvignon 2017

estimated value: \$400

Welcome to Matt Taylor, winemaker at Ink Grade! This is his first Heart's Delight and he brings with him a lovely 2017 magnum.

This is THE new wine for your cellar, and it comes equipped with significant bragging rights when you bring it to the next party. Established in 1873, this rare gem from rugged and pure soils atop the famous Napa Valley sub-appellation of Howell Mountain is beautiful. It walks a sensory tightrope between rich fruit and fresh acidity, and while dancing lively on the palate, the charm lingers with a hedonistic denouement. Profound in its presence, the structure and elegance synchronize with the freshness and purity of the fruit. In a word: sublime.

"The team at Ink Grade favors east and north-facing blocks for their own label, including the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon. Aged in a variety of different-sized oak vessels, the nose features scents of vanilla, cedar and cassis, with a gentle minty overtone. Full-bodied and firm but not lacking flesh or richness, this wine is dense and concentrated but lively and taut, with a long, dusty finish framed by fine-grained tannins." 93 points – Wine Advocate

Donated by Ink Grade

#### **Château Smith Haut Lafitte Mini Vertical**

estimated value: \$950

2 - bottles Château Smith Haut Lafitte 2006

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2 - bottles Château Smith Haut Lafitte 2004

We are great fans of the Cathiard Family and they are longtime supporters of Heart's Delight. John was a fan as well and this lovely little collection comes from his cellar for a lucky high bidder!

"A sensational effort and one of the stars of the vintage ... Surprisingly full-bodied for the vintage with stunning concentration, purity, and overall harmony, this is another brilliant wine from the proprietors, the Cathiards, who have done such a spectacular job at this estate since the early 1990s." 93 points from Robert Parker

98 points from Robert Parker for the 2005 Smith-Haut-Lafitte "This sensational, opaque blue/purple-colored wine from Smith Haut Lafitte has a gorgeous floral nose with notes of graphite, blueberries, blackberries, and cassis that jump from the glass of this inky, very dense, yet strikingly pure wine. Light on its feet despite its stunning concentration and multi-layered mouthfeel, this wine has fabulous intensity, richness and length. Quite impressive, and still incredibly youthful, this is a superstar of the vintage."

"The 2006 Château Smith Haut-Lafitte has an intriguing bouquet with surprising mineral intensity coming through the pure blackberry and cassis fruit. The oak here is beautifully assimilated. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannin, a keen line of acidity, quite structured in the mouth, but that mineralité continues right to the finish that attenuates ever such a little." 93 points from Neal Martin at the Wine Advocate

Donated by The Brooks Family in Memory of John Brooks

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# 3L Quintessa 2007 in OWB hand signed

estimated value: \$1,500

"Top 100 Cellar Selections! A very fine Cab from the estate, which is in the north-central part of the Rutherford appellation. Judging from the tannins, it's too youthful to drink now, with a tight, astringent mouthfeel and fleshy, unintegrated oak. But the flavors are extraordinary. They flood the mouth with the essence of Cabernet, with ripe blackberries, black currants, raspberries and mocha, and the spicy finish lasts for a full minute." 95 points – Wine Enthusuast

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George

# Wine Dinner for Two at Sepia in Chicago

estimated value: \$465

We are so excited to welcome Chef Andrew Zimmerman for his first Heart's Delight! Michelin-starred Sepia in Chicago is housed within a 19th-century print shop.

Chef Andrew Zimmerman's menu is a delicious amalgam of American cuisine with hints of Southeast Asian, Korean, and Mediterranean tastes. Gnocchi may seem commonplace, but this version is memorable thanks to the rich flavors of lamb sugo and ciabatta breadcrumbs. Chicken is downright exciting, served crisp-skinned with a buttery Albufera sauce, crumbly chestnuts, caramelized fennel, and sausage. Desserts keep the bar high, and may include a toffee-coconut cake with chocolate ganache and burnt caramel.

This wonderful dining experience is comprised of our seasonal four course dinner menu, as well as pairings from their sommelier's wine selection.

Restrictions: Expires May 8, 2025. Subject to availability.

**Donated by Sepia Restaurant** 

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### 1 - Magnum Château Cos d'Estournel 2005

estimated value: \$700

98 points from the Wine Advocate! "The 2005 Cos d'Estournel is blended of 78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Merlot and 3% Cabernet Franc. Deep garnet colored, it is still a little closed and youthfully shy. With coaxing, the nose is just beginning to offer glimpses at vivacious kirsch, red roses, violets, licorice and mocha scents over a crème de cassis, blackberry pie and chocolate-covered cherry core with wafts of chargrill, mossy bark and truffles. Full-bodied, concentrated and wonderfully complex in the mouth, the palate is just beginning to reveal the true potential of this wine, with tightly wound layers of perfumed black fruits and earthy notions bound by a rock-solid frame of firm, grainy tannins and finishing with epic persistence."

Donated by John McDermott

### Fortunate Son 2019 Magnums in OWB

estimated value: \$1,375

- 1 Magnum Fortunate Son The Dreamer 2019
- 1 Magnum Fortunate Son The Diplomat 2019
- 1 Magnum Fortunate Son The Warrior 2019

"The genius of Jayson Woodbridge is not in dispute. A bigger than life character, he has a certain personal flamboyance and no-prisoners-taken persona, but what he and his team do in the vineyards and winery speaks for itself. These are remarkable wines, with his Cabernet Sauvignons some of the very finest in the world, and his Pinot Noir projects all high quality and pleasing to a multitude of diverse palates." - Robert Parker

Sixty-five perfect 100 point scores have been awarded to Hundred Acre Wines between the 2002-2018 vintages. All Hundred Acre Wines are made by sorting the fruit berry by Berry, fermenting in small, French Oak fermenters, and long again in the finest barriques. The secret to Hundred Acre is no compromise and no detail overlooked, ever. Fortunate Son wines creates high end micro production wines from some of the oldest and most sought-after vineyard sites in Napa Valle. Each wine represents the high lever of winemaking and farming expertise making Fortunate Son one of the most sought-after wines in the valley. We invite you to discover our selection of Cabernet Sauvignon and Bordeaux blended wines: The Diplomat, The Dreamer & The Warrior. A love letter to the spirit of California summer. Each wine is made in the signature Jason Woodbridge style and has range of expressions based upon the selection of unique micro-vineyard blocks, dappled across the western Sonoma coast of California.

**Donated by Hundred Acre** 

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# 1 - Magnum Château Léoville Las Cases 2003

estimated value: \$450

Thank you to Jean-Guillaume Prats who was with us last year for this lovely donation. 96 points from Robert Parker, "An incredibly fresh, lively 2003 this wine offers a dense ruby/purple color along with full body and a remarkable nose of black currants, kirsch, lead pencil shavings and vanilla. Opulent, full-bodied, it is a seamless classic. Kudos to the Delon family for such a brilliant achievement in a tricky vintage."

Donated by Château Léoville Las Cases



# **Williams Selyem Magnums**

estimated value: \$450

- 1 Magnum Williams Selyem Westside Road Neighbors Pinot Noir 2013
- 1 Magnum Williams Selyem Estate Vineyard Pinot Noir 2010

Classic California producer Williams Selyem explains their selection process: "Every bottle of wine is born in the vineyard. That's why we are so particular about the way we source grapes. The grapes must be exceptional, or no amount of knowledge, effort, time or craft will turn them into exceptional wine."

"The generic cuvées from Eastside and Westside Roads are always the best buys in this portfolio. The 2013 Pinot Noir Westside Road Neighbors has soft raspberry and black cherry fruit, medium body, a lush, sexy texture, and a long, heady finish." – Wine Advocate

"The 2010 Pinot Noir Williams Selyem Estate Vineyard is arguably the most complete of these 2010 Pinots. Rose petals, dark red berries, spices and licorice are woven together with a level of pure finesse that I don't see in the other Williams Selyem 2010s. A long, subtle, beautifully perfumed finish makes it impossible to resist a second taste. There is so much to admire in the 2010 today, but I also sense it will age quite gracefully." – Wine Advocate

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



# Tennis Lesson with Patrick McEnroe for Two at the McEnroe Tennis Academy in New York

How cool is this?! Get tips to help your game from Patrick McEnroe who is co-director of The John McEnroe Tennis Academy.

Patrick reached the semifinals of Wimbledon as a junior and the US Open boys' singles in 1983. He later won the French Junior doubles with Luke Jensen, the USTA Boys' 18 National and Clay Court titles in 1984 in addition to winning the doubles title with his brother, John McEnroe – a tennis legend - at Richmond, Virginia. Patrick won the Men's Doubles Gold medal at the Pan American Games in 1987 and the NCAA team championship in both 1896 and 1988 while attending Stanford University. After graduation in 1988, he went on to win multiple titles including the 1989 French Open Men's Doubles title during his 10-year professional career. After achieving the ranks of World. No. 28 in singles and World No. 3 in doubles, he then had a successful run as the U.S Davis Cup captain, the longest tenured captain in U.S. history, winning the cup in 2007.

The Academy, founded by John McEnroe and SPORTIME Clubs, aims to develop top-tier players in urban settings. Through community outreach, it recruits talented and motivated athletes from New York City and beyond, providing opportunities for growth both on and off the court.

#### Donated by Patrick McEnroe and the McEnroe Tennis Academy



# Rhys Vineyards Mt. Pajaro Vineyard Chenin Blanc Collection

estimated value: \$400

1 - bottle Rhys Vineyards Mt. Pajaro Vineyard Chenin Blanc 2019

1 - bottle Rhys Vineyards Mt. Pajaro Vineyard Chenin Blanc 2017

1 - bottle Rhys Vineyards Mt. Pajaro Vineyard Chenin Blanc 2016

John Brooks was a big fan of Rhys and bought them at the Heart's Delight auction as well as directly from Rhys. Here is a lovely little collection of the Mt. Pajaro Vineyard Chenin Blanc. Mt. Pajaro is the sixth Santa Cruz Mountain vineyard and the most recent addition to the Rhys estate vineyard portfolio. It is thought that this vineyard will soon challenge even their most gifted sites. The first wines from Mt. Pajaro are intense and perfectly balanced with a unique, complex personality that stand alone in the single vineyard wines.

The 2019 received 93 points from Vinous, "The 2019 Chenin Blanc Mt. Pajaro Vineyard is light, airy and gracious. Orchard fruit, white flowers, mint, white pepper and crushed rocks lend brilliance to this finely sculpted, chiseled white."

The 2017 received 92 points from the Wine Advocate, "The 2017 Chenin Blanc Mt. Pajaro Vineyard has a very gregarious nose of beeswax, honeycomb and orange marmalade with baked peaches, pie crust, quince paste, orange blossom and stone. The palate is medium to full-bodied and dry with a plethora of honeyed stone fruits foiled by tangy acidity, finishing long. Yum!"

Wine Advocate awarded the 2016 92 point, "The 2016 Chenin Blanc Mt. Pajaro Vineyard is the debut bottling of this new cuvée from Rhys Vineyards and was produced with the young vines' first crop; it's certainly early days, but the resulting wine is very attractive, opening in the glass with delicate aromas of apple skin, pear and honey. On the palate, it's medium-bodied and mouthwateringly succulent, with nice cut and tension."

Donated by The Brooks Family in Memory of John Brooks

### 2 - bottles Le Carillon d'Angelus 2014

estimated value: \$400

"The second wine of Angélus is almost as structured as the first wine. It has serious tannins and dark acidity. At the same time, the fruit is rich with black-currant flavors. It is solid with plenty of potential. Drink this very fine wine from 2023" – 93 points from Wine Enthusiast

Donated by Château Angelus

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### St. Anselm - Wine Dinner for 10 in the Beefsteak Room

estimated value: \$2,200

The lucky winning bidder will enjoy a four-course, private dinner for up to 10 guests at St. Anselm in the Beefsteak Room. The menu will be curated by their Executive Chef in collaboration with their Sommelier Team- they will be pulling exciting wines from the cellar for this very special experience. St. Anselm is located in the Union Market neighborhood; it is the second outpost of Joe Carroll's popular NYC restaurant which aims to bring a slice of Brooklyn to Washington, DC.

St. Anselm is devoted to the pleasures of grilled meats and great ingredients simply cooked. Executive Chef, Lindsey Flowers was immersed in the kitchens of La Piquette, Mintwood Place, and STARR Restaurants' Le Diplomate, spending much of her career perfecting classic French technique and infusing it with modern American flair. She worked side-by-side with Marjorie Meek-Bradley – establishing the restaurant as one of the city's best – since its 2018 opening.

**Restrictions:** Dinner includes all food and beverage however it excludes gratuity. Date and Time must be coordinated in advance with St Anselm team and is subject to availability. Allergies and dietary restrictions may not be possible to accommodate and will be at discretion of culinary team. Expires May 11, 2025

Donated by St. Anselm

# **An Outing to Wolf Trap and Wine Dinner**

estimated value: \$2,000

The winning bidder and a guest will enjoy a pre-performance dinner at Wolf Trap and a performance during Wolf Trap's summer 2024 season.

To make the evening even more special, the winning bidder will join Wolf Trap Foundation Trustee and Heart's Delight auction committee member Eric Kadel and his wife, Heather, for a pre-performance dinner for four at Wolf Trap's Ovations or Pavilion (depending on the performance selected). Wolf Trap will provide two in-house tickets to a summer 2024 performance, VIP parking, access to the Meadow and Encore Circle Lounges and dinner, and the Kadels will provide two special wines from their cellar, selected with input from the winning bidder.

**Restrictions:** To be arranged on a mutually agreeable date. Winner must contact Wolf Trap by June 15th to plan their performance. Wines to be selected by the Kadels with input from the winning bidder. Season runs from June 2024 through September 2024.

Donated by Wolf Trap Foundation and Eric & Heather Kadel



# **Tequila Komos Trilogy**

estimated value: \$450

- 1 bottle Komos Añejo Cristalino
- 1 bottle Komos Reposado Rosa
- 1 bottle Komos Añejo Reserva

Komos is modern, ultra-luxury tequila, masterfully crafted and aged in French oak wine barrels. With each of its distinct expressions, Komos is the ultimate luxury spirit for any occasion, and is the industry's highest rated tequila collection.

Komos Añejo Cristalino is aged for 12 months in French oak white wine barrels, then charcoal filtered to remove any impurities and extract the color to create a crystal-clear, perfectly smooth tequila. A stunning nose of candied pineapple and vanilla introduces a palate of stone fruit and lime with a seamless finish. – 98 points, Tasting Panel Magazine

Komos Reposado Rosa is aged for 65 days in French oak red wine barrels, imparting softness and a rich pink hue reminiscent of a great French rosé. Round and plush on the palate, the finish is long and smooth, leaving the impression of chocolate covered strawberries behind it. – 98 points, Tasting Panel Magazine

Komos Añejo Reserva is aged for 12 months in a combination of French oak wine barrels, bourbon barrels, and sherry casks, and masterfully blended to create a luxurious, round, and unique expression that highlights the rich fruit flavors imparted by the sherry casks. – 99 points, Tasting Panel Magazine

**Donated by Tequila Komos** 

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### **Bevan Cellars Wine Dinner for 8**

estimated value: \$2,000

Gourmet, multicourse wine dinner for 8 in a private home in McLean, Virginia featuring pairing with Bevan Cellars top vintages! Bevan Cellars is consistently one of Napa Valley's highest rated wines.

Restrictions: Mutually agreeable date. Expires May 2025.

**Donated by Matt Brooks** 

# **Rhys Alpine Vineyard Noir Magnums**

estimated value: \$520

- 1 Magnum Rhys Alpine Vineyard Pinot Noir 2021
- 1 Magnum Rhys Alpine Vineyard Chardonnay 2021

These both received 98 points from Vinous, "Density and power are the calling cards in the 2021 Pinot Noir Alpine Vineyard. This embryonic Pinot is going to need time to really blossom, but it is so impressive today. As is so often the case, the Alpine has an aromatic profile that recalls one of the great vineyards in Vosne-Romanée. I love its exotic beauty."

"The 2021 Chardonnay Alpine Vineyard is so strikingly different from the Horseshoe. It offers tremendous concentration and pure power, a sort of seamless intensity that builds and then carries through to its substantial, resonant finish. What a wine."

Donated by Maureen Nelson

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#### **Old and Rare Lot**

estimated value: \$485

- 1 bottle Château Rausan-Ségla 1978
- 1 bottle Château Guiraud Cheval Blanc 1979
- 1 bottle Château Coufran 1975
- 1 bottle Beaulieu Vineyard BV Beau Tour Cabernet Sauvignon 1978
- 1 bottle Château Barrejat Tradition 1984
- 1 bottle Charles Heidsieck Champagne Brut Réserve NV (1990's bottling)

Curated by our friends at Schneider's of Capitol Hill, the lucky winning bidder will have a lovely variety. The hard work of cellaring and waiting to drink is already done so you just have to enjoy!

Donated by Schneider's of Capitol Hill