### Silent Auction



# **500**

### 1 - Magnum Matthiasson Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

estimated value: \$200

Excited to welcome back Jill Klein Matthiasson for Heart's Delight again this year. The Matthiasson story is so interesting, we just have to share...Steve Matthiasson has been changing the landscape of California's wine industry for 25 years.

Dubbed California's Godfather of Sustainable Viticulture, after he wrote the literal manual in 1999, Steve moved into consulting. The needle--slowly--started moving back towards balance, both in the environment and the wines themselves. And Steve rose to the very top of his field, managing legendary estates like Araujo and Stag's Leap Vineyards.

But he and his wife, Jill, wanted to make their own wines and control the process from the ground up; they kicked it off in 2003.

The resulting wines are not only compelling, they're illuminating. Hundreds of little decisions in the vineyards, subtle tweaks on everything from cover crops to canopy management, result in fruit that expresses its site beautifully. He truly crafts his wines in the vineyard.

These are wines, like the classics of California's Golden Age, inspired by the great wines of Europe but not beholden to them. They are not replicas. Steve uses what's at hand--sunshine and wind, hot days and cold nights, pioneer knowledge that was lost, and newfound techniques--to make something new and timeless. Matthiasson wines posses the California Magic, a thing found nowhere but here.

#### Donated by Matthiasson

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

estimated value: \$200

This is Thomas' first Heart's Delight and we are looking forward to having everyone get to know him and taste his wine.

Thomas T Thomas Vineyards is a culmination of a dream that began in 1999, on a trip to Burgundy tasting the unique expression of the great wines of Vosne Romanee and Chambertin, Puligny and Chassange- Montrachet. The dream was in full bloom by now ... the dream of owning a vineyard, winery and making wine.

The Buster's Hill Pinot Noir he brings with him for the auction is brimming with ripe red, black and macerated cherries, black raspberry, blood orange peel, red plum and chocolate flavors.

**Donated by Thomas T Thomas Vineyards** 

**502** 

### **Massican Annia Magnums**

estimated value: \$160

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

Always wonderful to have Dan Petroski back at Heart's Delight – he has his own fan club here in DC!

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.

Dan is Food & Wine's 2022 Drink Innovator of the Year and if you want to talk magazines, NFTs, climate change, coffee, the color blue, the metaverse, emojis, gin, body wash, winemaking — he is your quy, Napa's iconoclast.

#### Donated by Massican

#### **4 Boston Red Sox Tickets**

estimated value: \$700

The winning bidder will have four tickets in a Field Box for a 2024 Red Sox Regular Season Home Game. The Field Boxes at Fenway Park are some of the best seats for a Red Sox game. These seats offer fantastic, unobstructed views from within 20 rows of the field. Guests will be hard-pressed to find a bad seat in this area. Founded in 1901 as one of the American League's eight charter franchises, the Red Sox's home ballpark has been Fenway Park since 1912. It is the oldest active ballpark in MLB. Because of its age and constrained location in Boston's dense Fenway–Kenmore neighborhood, the park has many quirky features, including "The Triangle", Pesky's Pole, and the Green Monster in left field.

Restrictions: Not valid for opening day, Chicago Cubs, or New York Yankees Games

**Donated by Boston Red Sox** 

# 504

### **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** 

### 1 - bottle Hundred Acre Dark Ark Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

estimated value: \$750

What better to help celebrate the American Heart Association's 100 years of lifesaving research than with Hundred Acre wine in the auction! Twenty-five years ago, Jason Woodbridge arrived in Napa. He had no winemaking education or experience, yet set out on a mission to make exceptional Napa Cabernet Sauvignon. He's since built Hundred Acre Wines into a Cult Wine brand with a hefty price tag and a waiting list for years. To date, Hundred Acre stands as one of the most gossip-ripe brands in the Valley. Jayson's reputation pegs him as outspoken, contrarian, and driven. His wines garner acclaim for their opulence, grandeur, and seductiveness. Both are wildly successful.

The Dark Ark received 98+ points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Dark Ark is a 100-case selection derived from Ark Vineyard barrels that were notably darker and denser than the rest. Loaded with black cherries, cassis and loam notes, it's full-bodied, a bit brooding but concentrated, rich and supple, with a long, velvety finish. A true powerhouse, it's clearly one of Hundred Acre's top 2018s."

**Donated by Hundred Acre** 

**506** 

#### **Congress Has Heart Lot**

Every state makes wine, and each winery tells the story of the people, the history, the land and so much more. We invited Members of Congress to select a bottle from their state/district (or a personal favorites from anywhere) to donate. Bourbon or any spirit works too!

Thank you to Congresswoman Andrea Salinas, Congressman Zach Nunn, Congressman Eric Swalwell, Congressman Mike Thompson, Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Congressman Zach Nunn, Congressman Andy Barr and many more for their thoughtful donations.

### **Early Mountain Elevation Tasting for Four**

estimated value: \$320

So glad to have Maya Hood White back with us today. The winning bidder will be able to visit Early Mountain in Madison, Virginia for a beautifully curated wine tasting in their Wine Library. Your tasting includes five wines with a unique library selection or pre-release gem, thoughtfully paired with light bites artfully designed to enhance your sensory experience. A wine educator will lead this intimate tasting with behind-the-scenes stories of inspiration and details of our wine growing.

**Donated by Early Mountain** 

**508** 

# Wine and Cheese with Joe Beninati, Legendary Caps Play-by-Play Announcer

estimated value: \$1,000

Joe Beninati, an American sportscaster who serves as the television play-by-play announcer for the National Hockey League's Washington Capitals is also a wine collector. You and a guest will enjoy a private wine and cheese meet and greet with Joe Beninati in McLean, VA.

**Restrictions:** Arranged on a mutually agreeable date prior to March 2025.

Donated by Joe Beninati

#### **George Wine Company 2018 Magnums**

estimated value: \$400

1 - Magnum George Wine Company Hansen Vineyard 2018

1 - Magnum George Wine Company Ceremonial Vineyard 2018

Welcome back George! He has been a loyal supporter of Heart's Delight and we look forward to seeing him every year!

George Wine Company has one employee, who happens to be named George. He's the person who works in the vineyard, sorts the fruit, ferments the grapes, bottles the wine, cleans the equipment and floor, writes the letters, signs the checks, among other things.

George arrived in wine country in 1998 with an enthusiastic desire to learn as much as possible about grape growing and winemaking. The first vintage of George Pinot Noir in 2003 was a little over one hundred cases, and was made at Hirsch Vineyards in Cazadero, as was the 2004 vintage. George had been a customer of Martinelli wine for a decade prior to starting his own label, and approached Carolyn Martinelli after the 2003 harvest about the possibility of purchasing fruit. She mentioned there was a new vineyard planted in 2000 across the road in an organic apple orchard to the specifications of their winemaker Helen Turley. Lee Martinelli appeared a few minutes later, and agreed to provide George with his first Russian River Valley fruit in 2004. Russian River Valley fruit from Nick Leras in 2006 and Fred Hansen in 2007 followed. Although George is the only full-time employee at George Wine Company, dozens of people have assisted in return for the fruits of their labor.

#### **Donated by George Wine Company**

### 1 - Magnum Morlet Family Vineyards La Proportion Dorée 2018

estimated value: \$250

100 points from Jeb Dunnuck, "The flagship Bordeaux white, the 2018 La Proportion Doree is a magical elixir ... it tastes like a top vintage of La Mission Haut-Brion Blanc on steroids. Hats off to winemaker Luc Morlet for fashioning one of the greatest white Bordeaux blends in California!"

98 points from the Wine Advocate, "Luc Morlet has 100 Muscadelle vines, planted in 1953, which he co-ferments with the Sauvignon Blanc to produce this stunning wine. The 2018 La Proportion Doree is composed of 65% Semillon, 34% Sauvignon Blanc and 1% Muscadelle. Wow—the nose is a knock-out..."

Donated by Jeffrey J. Schragg & Mary Jo George

### 511

### **T. Berkley Wines**

estimated value: \$300

A selection of Single Vineyard wines hand-crafted by T. Berkley Wines including a vertical of Chenin Blanc and three Single Vineyard Cabernet Francs.

This is Taylor Berkley Boydstun's first Heart's Delight. T. Berkley Wines are Loire inspired wine made under the California sun.

Donated by T. Berkley Wines

### **3L Lakewood Vineyards 3Generations Riesling 2016**

estimated value: \$100

Welcome back to Liz Stamp for her second time at Heart's Delight! Lakewood Vineyards is a family owned and operated farm winery established in 1988. Chris Stamp, grandson of the farm's founders, has been making the wines for each of the winery's 33 vintages. David Stamp, another grandson, oversees the grape growing, and has been working the farm his whole life. The 90 acres of vineyards includes some vines dating back to 1952, and currently consists of 15 varieties. The 3Generations Riesling is bracingly dry, yet dancing with sweet aromas of peach, pear and lime peel. This wine was grown, fermented and blended by 3 generations of the Stamp family working together.

**Donated by Lakewood Vineyards** 

# 513

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

estimated value: \$350

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

### 1 - Magnum Nysa Vineyard Leda's Reserve Pinot Noir 2011

estimated value: \$210

Nysa Vineyard is a small, family vineyard and winery founded in 1990. Owner and winemaker, Michael Mega purchased a parcel of orchards high in the Dundee Hills of Oregon in anticipation of growing world-class pinot. It was with passion, hard work and patience that Nysa Vineyard has become one of the most prestigious in the hills, providing Pinot noir to acclaimed producers throughout the Willamette Valley. 2011 was a year extremes. The resulting wine is complex, intensely flavored, and possesses great texture and depth. Darkly colored but with medium body 2011 will be long lived, another classic cool weather vintage.

Donated by Nysa

## 515

# Black Ankle Vineyards Tour & Tasting for 8 in Mt Airy, Maryland

estimated value: \$250

The philosophy of Black Ankle really encompasses three basic elements: (1) Make delicious wines that express the unique flavors and atmosphere of the land on which they are grown. (2) Make those wines from grapes grown only by us, on our farms. (3) Grow those grapes in as sustainable manner as possible.

They have just the right mix of rolling hills, rocky, low-fertility soils, regular breezes, sunshine, and rain to be the home of some truly delicious wines. Your opportunity to grab some friends and visit Black Ankle Vineyards for a wine tasting experience for eight people to include a series of estate grown wines that will showcase a range of varietals.

**Donated by Black Ankle Vineyards** 

#### **Williams Selyem Magnums**

estimated value: \$340

- 1 Magnum Williams Selyem Precious Mountain Vineyard Pinot Noir 2007
- 1 Magnum Williams Selyem Pinot Noir 2006

Burt Williams and Ed Selyem started their winery in the Russian River Valley with two lofty goals: to craft wines that set the standard for excellence, and to come to know and serve their customers personally. They continue to serve those goals today, committing to do whatever is necessary. Extra time, extra effort, extra manpower, less sleep, a near-fanatical attention to detail... if it contributes to the quality of our wines and service, it's worth it.

The number of cases they produce is based purely on how much outstanding wine they can coax out of our grapes, and that amount will vary, vineyard to vineyard, season to season.

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

## **517**

### **Really Good Boxed Wine**

estimated value: \$540

2021 Pinot Noir San Luis Obispo Coast (3L BiB)
RGBW 2022 Sauvignon Blanc Russian River Valley (3L BiB)
2 Bebly's (serve any 3L BiB wine, mixed cocktails, or non-alc drinks in style)
Cheese & Charcuterie Platter from La Cheeserie at Calvert Woodley

Hand crafted, premium and delicious wine in a package with nature in mind! Enjoy this host procurement package with 2 boxes of our most amazing selections. The 2022 Russian River Sauvignon Blanc is so lovely and the 2021 Pinot Noir from Edna Valley, San Luis Obispo is stunning! Each box holds 3 Liters (or 4 bottles), and can be enjoyed directly from these handcrafted dispensers from Bebly, which are designed specifically for a 3L Bag in Box of wine. Enjoy all of this wine with a specially curated cheese and charcuterie platter from La Cheeserie at Calvert Woodley (\$100 gift card).

Donated by Really Good Boxed Wine, Bebly, and Calvert Woodley

#### The Henri

estimated value: \$500

We know you know The Henri and the man behind the magic, Frederik De Pue! Here is your chance to enjoy lunch, dinner, or pre-theater dining...all delicious. The Henri is a modern bistro featuring communal and private dining spaces located in the heart of Downtown Washington, DC. We invite you into our comfortable venue where you can escape from the hustle of the city. Our flexible, one-of-a-kind space is perfect for any kind of event, including business meetings, showers, weddings, birthdays, and cocktail parties.

**Restrictions:** Not valid for private event.

Donated by The Henri

# 519

### William Chris Wine Vineyard Table Experience in Texas Hill Country

estimated value: \$660

Vineyard Table Experience for Six Guests at William Chris Wine Company in Hye, Texas 3 - Magnums William Chris Winery Hunter Red Blend 2017

The Vineyard Table Experience at Hye Estate is an elevated experience featuring expertly selected seasonal food & wine pairings. During this tasting, you will be taken through five wines paired with housemade culinary creations that allow you to compare the wine before and after bites for a memorable and educational experience.

Since 2010, Hunter has been a flagship red blend of their collection, named for co-founder "Bill" Blackmon's family friends, the Hunters. It is clear based on previous renditions of the Hunter wine that Bill Blackmon favors red Bordeaux varieties, and this wine always leads with grapes such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Malbec.

**Restrictions:** Subject to availability. William Chris Winery is located in Hye, Texas.

**Donated by William Chris Winery** 

#### **Pahlmeyer Merlot Duo**

estimated value: \$205

1 – bottle Pahlmeyer Merlot 20081 – bottle Pahlmeyer Merlot 2007

Jayson Pahlmeyer, a former trial attorney quit his legal work and decided to satisfy his craving for wine into a career in Napa Valley. His dream was to create a "California Mouton" with the help of many fantastic winemakers from Randy Dunn to Helen Turley. They have all helped in the production of this iconic Napa Valley Bordeaux blend. Pahlmeyer's viticultural practices demand low yields while commanding maximum flavor intensity. Magnificent terroir, winemaking soul and masterwork fill each bottle of Pahlmeyer wine.

The 2007 received 96 points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "One of the finest Merlots being made in Napa... This sumptuous wine offers beautiful melted chocolate, cocoa, and espresso notes intermixed with black cherry, plum, fig, and blackberry fruit. This opulent, full-bodied, sexy, prodigious California Merlot should give Kapcsandy's Roberta's Reserve a run for its money..." The 2008 received 91 points from Wine Advocate, "One of the few world-class Merlots in Napa Valley has always come from Pahlmeyer, and the 2008 looks to be no exception. Inky purple-colored, the wine offers up chocolatey espresso/mocha/cocoa notes as well as plenty of plum, black cherry and blacker fruits. Medium to full-bodied, with silky tannins, surprising elegance, and good richness."

Donated by Sean & Estelle Ballington

### A Case from our Heart's Delight Friends

estimated value: \$730

- 1 bottle Day Wines Momtazi Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019
- 1 bottle George Wine Leras Family Vineyards 2017
- 1 bottle Chimney Rock Elevage Blanc 2016
- 1 bottle Boordy Vineyards Cabernet Franc 2019
- 1 bottle Mari Vineyards Bel Tramonto 2020
- 1 bottle Schug Heritage Reserve Pinot Noir 2010
- 2 bottles Covert Clone 337/191 Cabernet Sauvignon 2019
- 1 bottle Enfield Wine Co Waterhorse Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon 2021
- 1 bottle Mari Vineyards Scriptorium Riesling Old Mission Peninsula 2021
- 1 bottle hope & grace Pinot Noir 2017
- 1 bottle Gambal Work Bentrock Vineyard Sta Rita Hills 2018

Thank you to our past participants who left a bottle behind from their pouring station. Here is your chance to relive those delicious memories and take this souvenir case home with you!

## **522**

### 3L Bergström Sigrid 2013 - 15th vintage, signed

estimated value: \$600

This was from a Heart's Delight auction when Josh Bergström was with us. Sigrid Chardonnay is an homage to their Swedish grandmother whose spirit, grace, and strength inspired three generations of Bergström children. After harvesting each estate vineyards by hand, they ferment the fruit separately in small French oak barrels, where it undergoes full malolactic fermentation and aging sur lie for 18 months. Only then do we select the finest of these barrels for our Sigrid Chardonnay. In a bottle of Sigrid, you will find the layered textures, mineral structure, fresh citrus and stone-fruit flavors and floral aromas they hope will inspire you to continue following the Oregon renaissance of this noble white grape. Accolades: 93 points Wine & Spirits, 93 points Vinous, 92 points Wine Spectator

Donated by The Collection of the Late Manfred W. Arnold

### 1 - Magnum Component Cabernet Franc 2016

estimated value: \$320

This is from a single vineyard on Pritchard Hill and is an incredibly balanced and powerful expression of the Cabernet Franc Varietal. Winemaker Marc Gagnon has been making wine in these hills for years and for several different big names such as Screaming Eagle and Bryant Family. Component is all about taking individual grapes and highlighting what they are capable of and how they can be expressed!

**Donated by Component Wine Company** 

## **524**

## 2 - bottles Somnium Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

estimated value: \$360

What is cooler than a wine owned by race car driver, Danica Patrick? That it is good wine. The 2016 received 94 points from Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, "The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon is deep purple-black in color and intensely scented of of mocha, sautéed herbs and cigar box with a core of crème de cassis, chocolate-covered cherries and dried mulberries. Full-bodied, rich and decadent, it has loads of savory and black fruit preserves layers matched by a firm, chewy texture and long, expressive finish."

**Donated by Somnium** 

## **525**

## 3L Torii Mor Hawks View Vineyard Pinot Noir Chehalem Mountains 2005

estimated value: \$260

This is Torii Mor's first time and Heart's Delight and we look forward to having winemaker Jon Tomaselli with us through Saturday's Grand Tasting! "Crisp and nicely focused to show its bright red currant and blackberry flavors, shaded with hints of mint and cream around the edges. Remains focused and pure through the long, expressive finish." – Wine Spectator

**Donated by Torii Mor Winery**