



LOT 701

**6 magnums 2005 Fisher Vineyards Unity Napa Valley
Cabernet Sauvignon
Signed by Fred Fisher**

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown

Description by Don Wyche

Fred and Juelle Fisher (of Fisher Body, a famous Michigan Automotive firm) founded their winery in the wilderness in 1973. Over the years they have developed their vineyards and a reputation for crafting fine wines. We welcome them back as honorary chair of the 2008 Winefest. Unity is a limited production Cabernet Sauvignon and is generally considered Fisher Vineyards best wine. This is a blended wine from four especially chosen Napa Valley vineyards, blended to produce a wine that draws on the individual strengths of each site to create a single harmonious effect. Robert Parker: "possesses chocolate, blackberry, cassis, charcoal, new wood, and spice characteristics. 90". Six Magnums of delicious Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine will benefit from 2-3 years of cellaring.

LIVE AUCTION

LOT 702

**1 double magnum 2003 Chateau Ste. Michelle
Canoe Ridge Estate Merlot (etched and hand-painted)
1 double magnum 2004 Chateau Ste. Michelle Cold Creek Vineyard
Cabernet Sauvignon (etched and hand-painted)**

Donated by Ted Baseler, Chateau Ste. Michelle

Description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

This is a lot of wine! A lot of great wine! These double magnums are also hand etched and hand painted to boot. Now, Chateau St. Michelle has been turning out some of Washington's finest wines since the stat first appeared as a blip on the American wine radar. This lot should appeal to all of you big-bottle collectors out there. Don't hesitate to jump on this outstanding lot.



LOT 703

**6 bottle Vertical (2 each of 2000, 2001, 2002
Spring Mountain Vineyard Napa Elivette**

Donated by Valli Ferrell, Spring Mountain Vineyards

Description by Don Wyche

The Spring Mountain Vineyards are nestled in the hills above St. Helena. The 135 vineyard blocks span over 1000 feet in altitude and many different soil types and exposures. This great diversity of steep hillside plantings is the source of consistent, powerful, and distinctive red wines. Grapes from the best of these blocks are blended to create "Elivette", a Bordeaux blend and Spring Mountain Vineyards' leading wine. These wines are concentrated, with good fruit and hints of licorice and pepper. They are generally well reviewed; the 2003 earned a 93 from the Wine Spectator, the 2002 a 91. These wines can be drunk now or held for 5 more years.

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LOT 704

"Art-y Party"

**An Exclusive Evening of Food, Wine, and Improv
at the Ann Arbor Art Center**

4 bottles 2004 Tiziano Chianti Reserva

4 bottles 2004 Pietra Santa Merlot

4 bottles 2006 Sauvion Muscade

300\$ worth of party trays from Buschs Catering

*Donated by the Ann Arbor Art Center, Buschs, Charles J. Cohen,
and "TLE"*

Wine description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

Entertain your friends and family at a private party at the Ann Arbor Art Center's beautiful Liberty Street building. Buschs has kindly provided the wines (which you can take home with you tonight), as well as \$300-



worth of catering trays. Of the wines, Ron Sober says, “Think of this as a great start to your home wine cellar or as one awesome summer party. Start the evening off with the Muscadet and some oysters, move on to the Merlot with your appetizers and then break out your grill to accompany that great Chianti. Or, if you would rather, try a bottle of each of these wines and then pop the rest into your cellar. You can break out the Muscadet whenever you have guests over through the summer and then squirrel the rest away for the cool and rainy autumn. Regardless of how you approach it, this is fun stuff.” Before or after your meal—your choice—you will be treated to an exclusive and hilarious 60-minute improvisation performance by “TLE,” a local performance group in the style of “Whose Line is it Anyway.” Terms and Conditions: Event to be held on a mutually agreed upon date at the Ann Arbor Art Center.

LOT 705

A case of 1996 Chateau Chapelle La Mission Haut Brion

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown

Description by Kevin Hobart, Logan: An American Restaurant
La Chapelle is the second wine from the legendary producer Chateau Mission Haut Brion. It takes its name from the lovely chapel located on the grounds of the estate, which was originally consecrated in 1611! This wine is made from the same vines, and made in the same fashion as La Mission Haut Brion, except they use their younger vines (3-10 years old), which they always have due to replanting. Younger vines generally make more approachable wine, hence, this is a stylish wine for current consumption.

LOT 706

Dinner and Wine for 8 at a Unique Downtown Ann Arbor Condo

Donated by Craig Common and Marsha and John Chamberlin



Enjoy the talents of one of Michigan's brightest culinary stars with dinner for eight prepared at the home of Marsha and John Chamberlin. Chef Craig Common, owner of the Common Grill, and author of the Common Grill Cookbook will not only prepare your meal, he will bring the wine too! Sit back, relax, and enjoy the meal in the Chamberlins' beautiful contemporary loft filled with local and folk art. www.commongrill.com
Conditions & Restrictions: To be scheduled at the mutual agreement of the donors and winning bidders; Expires May 1, 2009.

LOT 707

3 bottles 1996 Louis Jabot Le Chambertin

Donated by Scot and Beth Morrison

LOT 708

4 Tickets to a Private Boston Pops Concert at the Ritz Carlton

Donated by Fidelity Investment Group

Join local Fidelity associates for a special evening of dining and dancing with the Boston Pops. Held at the Ritz Carlton - Dearborn, this private reception, dinner, and performance is sure to provide many wonderful, lasting memories. Date of event TBD.

LOT 709

A Case of Vincent Girardin

"Showcasing the Glory of the 2005 Vintage in 4 Separate Villages"

3 bottles Santenay Les Chames

3 bottles Beaune Les Greues

3 bottles Gevrey-Chambertin

3 bottles Vosne-Romanee



Donated by Anne Keller, Vineyard Brands

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

Girardin's ripe, carefully extracted fruit is combined with generous but not heavy-handed use of new oak to frame the wine's charm in a halo of spice and warmth. This collection will show best 5-8 years from vintage.

LOT 710

MGM Grand Getaway

Donated by MGM Grand Casino

"Ignite Your Senses" with this exciting stay for 2 at the new MGM Grand in Detroit. This is a casino like you've never experienced before, with excellent service, cutting-edge design, and a fun, glamorous atmosphere. Enjoy dinner at the award-winning SALTWATER Restaurant. SALTWATER uses only the highest quality ingredients, fresh seafood and seasonal produce to showcase Chef Michael Mina's classic dishes, including Lobster Pot Pie, Caviar Parfait, Tartare of Ahi Tuna and Mussel Soufflé. Then, indulge in a night's stay for two in one of MGM Grand's luxuriously appointed hotel suites. Round out the experience with two refreshing complimentary treatment at Immerse Spa when you awaken. Check certificates for terms and conditions.

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LOT 711

Chateau Montelena Estate Cabernet Sauvignon 6 magnum Vertical (1999 - 2004)

Donated by James and Bo Barrett, Chateau Montelena Winery

Description by Don Wyche

Over 100 years old, Chateau Montelena has been in the forefront of Napa Valley wineries ever since the "Judgment of Paris" in 1976; when a panel of famous French wine connoisseurs judged the Chateau Montelena 1973 Chardonnay the best of a prestigious group of French



and California white wines. The “Montelena Estate” is their best Cabernet. The grapes are from old vines in the Chateau’s best vineyard. These wines, generally, are aromatic, rich and full-bodied, characterized by a unique earthy-berry flavor. Led by the 1999 vintage (95 RP, 94 WS), all six of these wines have earned scores of 90 or higher from Robert Parker and/or the Wine Spectator. A fine vertical of a great wine.

LOT 712

**1 magnum 1986 Silver Oak Bonny's Vineyard
Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon**

**1 magnum 1990 Chateau Montelena Calistoga Estate
Cabernet Sauvignon**

Donated by Susan and Neal Kennedy

Description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

These wines are both legends. Wine writers would agree that both of these wines come from the halcyon days from their respected wineries. The coolest thing is that they are both in magnum format, which means that you can either invite some friends over to enjoy them. These are two of California’s greatest Cabernets at a time whenever they should both be at their peak.

LOT 713

The New York Philharmonic and You

Donated by Susan McClanahan

You and your best friend will be the guest of the University Musical Society and President Kenneth Fischer for an evening that will be the highlight of the concert season in Ann Arbor. Dinner will precede the concert and you will have main floor seats for the concert. In addition valet parking will add to the evening—as if the Philharmonic wasn’t enough! Event is scheduled for Saturday March 7th, 2009.



LOT 714

3 Magnums Marilyn the Velvet Collection Napa Valley Red Wine

1st Releases--Vintages 1, 2, and 3

2002 Bottle # V 412

2003 Bottle # R 053

2004 Bottle # M 830

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown

Description by Don Wyche

Marilyn Merlot, and its sister wines, have enjoyed huge success. The combination of the celebrity connection, the label and a wine of at least arguably ageworthy stature came together in what has proved to be irresistible to wine collectors. All the vintages before 1990 sell at the winery for four-figure prices. "Marilyn The Velvet Collection" is a classier version. It features magnums, which means more wine and bigger pictures. This lot has a magnum from each of the first three vintages, perfectly preserved in the original carton. Much of the 2003 vintage was lost in a warehouse fire, making this lot even more valuable. As a wine, the "Marilyn The Velvet Collection" is good. As a collectable, it is fantastic.

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LOT 715

**Dinner for 4 with Rich & Karen Brown Prepared by
Chef Gregg Carroll, Executive Chef at Motor City Casino**

Your place...or Ours!

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown

Last year's Co-chairs, Rich and Karen, are known by many of you as longtime Art Center and WineFest supporters. They regret not being able to be at WineFest #26, but would only miss it for an exceptional reason. The reason? They are spending this week with their son and daughter, their spouses and their 2 grandchildren on the Canal du Midi. They toasted to WineFest a few hours ago from the deck of their self-



drive barge. This trip is part of Karen and Rich's celebration of their 40th anniversary. With this lot, the winning bidder and guests will be able to join them in celebrating a special anniversary dinner, and treat themselves at the same time. Or, you can use this lot as part of your own special occasion. Whatever it is, we'll celebrate the occasions together!!

This lot is for 4 people to join Rich and Karen and their two guests for an unforgettable dinner-for-8 experience. The enjoyment of fine dining at Iridescence Restaurant at Detroit's Motor City Casino will be brought to you. You will experience a great dinner in the Brown's home, or, if you prefer, in yours, prepared by Gregg Carroll, the Executive Chef of Motor City Casino. Share in developing the menu and selecting the wines with the Browns, and get ready to partake. The dinner will be top-of-the-line, as will be the wines, including some of Rich's and Karen's favorites. The higher the bid, the easier it will be to convince Rich to up the ante on the wines! Date to be mutually agreed upon. Expires April 30, 2009.

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LOT 716

**1 Night Stay for Two at The Meritage Resort at Napa
A VIP Tour & Tasting at the Winery**

1 case 2006 Trinitas Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc

1 case 2004 Trinitas Old Vine Contra Costa Zin Biggalow

Donated by Tim Busch, Trinitas Winery

Description by Kevin Hobart, Logan: An American Restaurant Michigan natives Tim and Steph Busch founded Trinitas Cellars to celebrate their belief in two trinities: the central mystery of Christianity, as well as the more "this-wordly" wine trio of sun, soil, and the work of people to harness them in harmony and beauty. Enjoy one case each of their crisp, refreshing 2006 Sauvignon Blanc, as well as their fleshy, spicy 2004 Old Vine Zinfandel, from the Biggalow Vineyard from Contra Costa County.



LOT 717

6 bottles 1994 Fonseca Port

Donated by Jeff and C.J. Hauptman

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

Again, the Spectator raves: "'Hold on to your hat. This is the best Fonseca since 1977, and it's probably even better than that classic vintage--more like the breathtaking 1948. Mind-blowing, with masses of color, aroma and fruit flavor. Smells like fermenting berries, boasting loads of crushed grape, violet and berry character. Big, full-bodied and very sweet, with tons of tannins and a sweet finish. Tannic and huge, it's a long-term, great Port.'" – James Suckling, 1997.

LOT 718

**2 Passes to an Exclusive Tasting Event by Acker Merrall
& Condit**

"Chardonnay Shootout: California vs. White Burgundy Blind"

Donated by John Kapon, Acker Merrall & Condit

The debate over France versus California will probably never be settled, but Acker Merrall & Condit figures it is always good to throw more fuel on the fire! They have assembled a group of top wines in great vintages from both areas, all from Steve Tanzer's personal cellar. The cross section represents not only vintage variation, but also the finest producers from each appellation. Which particular wines will be featured at this event, which takes place on Thursday June 12th at the Warwick Hotel, NYC? You'll have to bid to find out!



LOT 719

6 bottle Vertical (1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2001)

Joseph Phelps Insignia Red Wine

Donated by the Ann Arbor News

Description by Don Wyche

This is a dream lot for lovers of Cabernet Sauvignon. The "Insignia" is Joseph Phelps best and most successful wine. Parker scores these wines (in order from 1993) 95, 96, 97, 92, 91, and 95. A stunning vertical of one of the most prestigious and best of California Cabernet blends.

LOT 720

Dinner for 6 Cooked by Chef Michael Trombley

**With Wines to Accompany the Meal Provided by Rich and
Karen Brown**

Donated by Michael Trombley and Rich and Karen Brown

How would you like Chef Michael Trombley, American Culinary Federation Certified Executive Chef, to come to your home and prepare a multi-course gourmet dinner for you and 5 guests? How about if Rich Brown was willing to offer you his services as well, by helping you to assemble a stellar cast of wines from his cellar to accompany that meal? Do I really have to ask? As always, the higher the bid, the more spectacular the dinner and the wines. Terms and Conditions: Date to be mutually agreed upon. Expires May 1, 2009.

LOT 721

A Decade of Bordeaux: 1971-1981

Donated by Karen G. Crawford

Description by Kevin Hobart, Logan: An American Restaurant



With this lot, you'll take home a baker's dozen of some really mature, and hard-to-find Bordeaux. We point this out with several of our lots, but there are some wines in this lot that, taken together, would make a fascinating evening for your tasting group! Including in this 13 bottle lot are:

**1974 and 1979 Chateau Mouton Rothschild Pauillac
Premier Cru (1 bottle each)**

**1971, 1974, and 1981 Chateau Fourcas-Hosten
Lisrac-Medoc (1 bottle each)**

**1976 and 1978 Chevel-Blanc Saint-Emilion
Premiere Grand Cru Classe (1 bottle each)**

1980 Grand Vin de Leoville du Marquis de Las Cases (6 bottles)

LOT 722

**6 bottles 2005 RMS 40th Anniversary Reserve
Stags Leap District Cabernet Sauvignon**

**And...a Tour & Tasting and Lunch for 4 with the Winemaker at
Steltzner Vineyards**

Donated by Allison Steltzner, Steltzner Vineyards

Description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

The Steltzner family has been involved with Napa wine since the early 60's. This wine comes courtesy of the newest Steltzner to enter the winemaking fold, Dick's daughter Allison and represents the 40'th vintage of Steltzner wines. Oh, and it doesn't hurt that the RMS reserve tops many critics lists on an annual basis. Take this opportunity to go home with some fantastic wine from a Napa legend--and then to visit the legend at its home in Napa with a Tour and Tasting and lunch with the winemaker! Check certificate for terms and conditions.



LOT 723

11 bottles of 1970 Bordeaux

Donated by Karen G. Crawford

Description by Kevin Hobart, Logan: An American Restaurant 1970 was a spectacular vintage in Bordeaux, and here is a one-of-a-kind chance to get a broad cross section of the vintage, with wines from an assortment of appellations and classifications. In your case you will get:

Chateau Latour Pauillac Premier Cru (4 bottles!)

Chateau Boyd Cantenac Margaux Troisieme Cru (2 bottles)

Chateau LaPoint Pomerol (1 bottle)

**Chateau Malartic-Gravieres Pessac-Leognon Cru Classe
(2 bottles)**

Chateau La Moulin Rouge Haut Medoc (1 bottle)

1 bottle Grand Vin de Leoville du Marquis de Las Cases

This is a great ready-made horizontal tasting from a monumental vintage! Happy bidding.

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LOT 724

Wine Tasting for 12 in Your Home

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown

What a spectacular evening this will be! Impress your friends – invite them to a wine tasting in your home to sample 12 bottles from one of the best cellars in the country... indulge in champagne (2 bottles), chardonnay or white burgundy (2 bottles of either), pinot noir or red burgundy (2 bottles of either), merlot or Italian/Spanish wines (2 bottles of either), cabernet sauvignon or Bordeaux (2 bottles of either) plus a port and Sauternes (1 each). Rich will work with the winning bidder to select the wines from his cellar. The wines will be great – just how great will be determined by the bidding! Conditions & Restrictions: Expires May 1, 2009. Tasting is for 12 people.



LOT 725

1 Custom-made Men's or Women's Suit

Donated by Bill Sizer and Renaissance

Renaissance, Ann Arbor and Southeast Michigan's premier clothier for 37 years offers you a custom made suit for men or ladies. Made from the finest fabrics from Italy and hand crafted by some of the world's finest tailors--you may choose the style, and select the fabric. With over 300 options to choose from, this suit is sure to please you for years to come.

LOT 726

1 bottle 1961 Lynch Bages

1 bottle 1961 Leoville Barton

1 bottle 1961 Calon Segur

1 bottle 1961 Talbot

Donated by Ambassador Ronald and Eileen Weiser

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LOT 727

WineFest 2008 Chair Lot

Dinner for 6 hosted by Max and Deb Hutton

Donated by Max and Deb Hutton

Please join Max and Deb Hutton in their home while they prepare a gourmet dinner for 6 to be accompanied by some mature wines of distinction from their cellar! This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to drink some unique and extraordinarily rare wines which Max and Deb have been collecting for a special occasion. Life is too short to drink bad wine! To be included in this evening's festivities:

1988 Dom Perignon Champagne

1989 Louis Latour Corton Charlemagne

1989 Domaine Leflaive Puligny Montrachet Pucelles

1989 Chateau Mouton Rothschild

1989 J. L. Chave Hermitage Rouge

1988 Roty "Charmes Chambertin" Tres Vieilles Vignes

1988 Chateau d'Yquem

Of course the dinner planned will complement both the wines and the season!
Date by mutual agreement. Expires May 2009.

LOT 728

1 double magnum 1996 Chateau Valandraud

St. Emilion Grand Cru

Donated by Max and Deb Hutton

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

The vanguard of the revolution in Bordeaux wines-- powerful, extracted, and loaded with fruit, in a format (equivalent to 4 bottles!) that should age for decades. Here is Parker's review: 'This opaque ruby/purple-colored wine is crammed with extract and power. Chewy and thick, with extremely high tannin and a gorgeous, pure, natural feeling and texture,



it is more burly than the classic 1995, but, wow, what purity and flavor intensity this personality-filled wine possesses.' Parker's further comments state that this avant-garde winery in the hinterlands of Saint-Emilion is the quality of a Medoc first-growth.

LOT 729

1 bottle 1982 Chateau Cos d'Estournel

1 bottle 1986 Chateau Cos d'Estournel

Donated by Jim & Livvie Lutfy

Description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

This is one legendary wine from two legendary vintages. The wines of Cos d'Estournel that were made in the 80s are reputed to be the very best this estate has ever made. Parker calls the 82 "An awesome wine". This is no small praise! The 86 garners a 95 rating, also from Parker. 1986 was probably the longest lived vintage of the decade and this is why he says that this impressive Cos is capable of lasting up to 36 years.

LOT 730

A Day at the 2008 PGA Championship

Donated by Wachovia

This is a once-in-a- life time opportunity for you and/or your golf lover. Tickets like this are not easy to come by and you get to support the Art Center while having the time of your life! Oakland Hills Country Club golf course is one of the most beautiful respected courses in the nation. The PGA Championship is one of the greatest tournaments. This will be the chance to see great golf while getting up-close and personal with the players you have only seen on T.V. This is a pair of tickets for entry into the week-long tournament, on August 8, 9, or 10, 2008. The package includes entry into Oakland Hills and the Wacovia Securities hospitality tent where you will receive complimentary food and beverages. See certificate for terms and conditions.



LOT 731

1 Week Rental at Higgins Lake

Donated by Jon Bullock

There's nothing like Michigan summers--especially up North and at the lake! You can enjoy a week long stay at Higgins Lake-- the sixth most beautiful lake in the world according to National Geographic-- in this very private property with 700 feet of sandy beach. The cottages sleeps up to 14 people in 6 bedrooms-- perfect for a family reunion. Higgins Lake is located in Roscommon County-- about a 3-hour drive from Ann Arbor. Dates to be mutually agreed upon by donor and winning bidders.

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LOT 732

1 double magnum 2005 Fisher Vineyards Unity Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

"Hand"-led with care by Fred and Juelle Fisher

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown

Description by Don Wyche

Unity is a limited production Cabernet Sauvignon blended from four especially chosen Napa Valley vineyards to produce a wine that draws on the individual strengths of each site. This wine comes in a beautifully painted bottle signed by Fred & Juelle Fisher during their last visit to Ann Arbor for WineMaker Dinner. Robert Parker gave the 2005 Unity a 90: "possesses chocolate, blackberry, cassis, charcoal, new wood, and spice characteristics". Should be at its' best in 4-5 years.

LOT 733

2 Days, 2 Nights, and 2 Much Fun with the Fisher Family

Donated by Fred and Juelle Fisher, Fisher Vineyards



Spend two nights in the Napa Valley with the Fisher family as your hosts—some of the warmest, most welcoming people in Napa Valley. Enjoy two nights at Solage, the Auberge Resort's newest property on the Silverado Trail, Calistoga. The world class spa includes the Mud Bar, warm mineral pools and delightful spa treatments. Try your luck with bocce while you sip pomegranate drinks at the outdoor Sol Bar. Spend one day with the Fisher Family at the Winery; stroll the vineyards and hike to the Hidden Terrace Vineyard at the top of the mountain estate. Sample wines from barrels in the cave with Whitney Fisher, winemaker. Enjoy lunch in the Madrone Grove above the winery overlooking the highly acclaimed Wedding Vineyard. Delight in freshly cooked pizza coming out of the Tuscan wood-burning oven while sipping wines and hearing stories of life and work on the mountain vineyards. Fred and Juelle are great story tellers and will make your time at Fisher Vineyards a treasure-trove of memories. They are also happy to arrange visits to other wineries on your behalf. Terms and conditions: Date of visit to be mutually agreed upon.

LOT 734

**1 double magnum 2005 Fisher Vineyards Coach Insignia
Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon**

**1 double magnum 2005 Fisher Vineyards Wedding Vineyard
Cabernet Sauvignon**

Both signed and etched

Donated by Fred and Juelle Fisher, Fisher Vineyards

Description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

Straight from the Fishers comes two big wines. The 2005 Wedding Vineyard is the first offering after this renowned vineyard was replanted. Parker gives it a 93 and says this, "This has always been a top-notch site, and the 2005 is terrific. Its deep ruby/purple color precedes a bouquet of licorice, blueberries, blackberries, crushed rocks, and acacia flowers." If that weren't good enough, you also get the stellar Coach



Insignia which Tanzer offers up a 94 rating and has this to say, “Exotic, youthfully energetic black raspberry, cherry compote, licorice candy and mocha scents, with bright minerality. Deep and suave, with sweet red and dark fruit flavors, fully enveloped tannins and an utterly captivating, sexy Asian spice quality.”

LOT 735

Sonoma Sabbatical

Donated by Brannan Cottage Inn, Cline Cellars, DeLoach Vineyards, Gloria Ferrer, and Wild Hog Vineyard

Bid on this lot, and you and a lucky someone special will experience the best that Sonoma Wine County has to offer. Located on the north-west coast of California, Sonoma is 40 miles from San Francisco. Nestled within the peaks and valleys of the North Coast Ranges, and spanned by the beautiful Russian River, the land itself is a sight to see but this beautiful area is also home to over 250 wineries.

Begin your stay by checking in to the Brannan Cottage Inn in Calistoga, where you will spend two nights in the heart of it all. A 5 minute walk from Calistoga’s restaurants, spas, and shopping, this charming Victorian Bed and Breakfast--listed on the National Register of Historic Places--was built in the 1860s by Samuel Brannan, Calistoga’s founder, and one of California’s early entrepreneurs. With queen-sized beds, private baths, your own private entrance to your room, and a full breakfast offered each morning, you will enjoy an atmosphere of comfort and privacy throughout your 2 night week-day stay.

Enjoy a VIP Tour & Tasting at Cline Cellars. Years ago Fred Cline got hold of some extraordinary, ancient vineyards in Contra Cost County on the sandy banks of California’s mighty San Joaquin river, and has been making extraordinary wine from the grapes ever since. Since 2000, Cline Cellars has farmed way beyond the industry’s standard of organic,



and a visit to their vineyards will give you an opportunity to learn about these practices, taste their stunning array of red and white wines, and take home a bottle of Cline Syrah to enjoy later.

At DeLoach Vineyards, sit down for a complimentary lunch before or after your VIP Tour & Tasting. A visit to this winery is peaceful and relaxing - just far enough off the main thoroughfare to make you feel like you've discovered a hidden jewel. Tour the organic garden with its koi carp-filled fountain, and then get treated to a lunch created from its bounty. The shake roofed building tucked amongst the vineyard rows has evolved from a small winery with a few fermenting tanks and aging barrels to a state-of-the-art facility designed for the specific needs of each of the grape varieties they produce, but tailored specifically for Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Zinfandel.

Then continue on to Gloria Ferrer Caves and Vineyards, Sonoma's first sparkling wine house, where you will discover cool-climate wines served with warm Spanish hospitality at another Tour & Tasting. Owned by the Ferrer family, whose wine experience is rooted in 19th century Spain, the winery is a vibrant blend of Catalan and California mission design. Fruit for their premium quality sparkling and still wines is carefully cultivated on 335 acres of estate vineyards distinguished by warm days, cool nights, summer fog and a long growing season that coaxes grapes to maturity slowly and consistently, with balanced sugar and acidity. Cheers!

Finally, enjoy a visit to Wild Hog Vineyard, a small family owned and operated winery and vineyard in the hills between Cazadero and Fort Ross on the Sonoma Coast. The owners, Daniel and Marion Schoenfeld, have transformed the rugged mountain property into a beautifully lush garden resplendent with vineyard, orchard, vegetable beds, and fragrant flowers. Experience a Tour & Tasting, and then help choose a bottle to take home with you! Conditions and Restrictions: Check individual gift certificates for expiration dates and other stipulations. Advance booking is required and subject to availability.



LOT 736

Napa Valley Vacation

*Donated by Clos Pegase, Fleury Estate Winery,
Robert Biale Vineyards, Saintsbury, and Spring Mountain Vineyards*

The winner of this lot is in for a treat! A trip for 4 to the Napa Valley filled with unique and exclusive opportunities. You'll have the chance to visit four wineries... all offering a unique experience for you and your guest. Throughout your trip, you and your guests will explore wineries in a way that most never get to!

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You'll spend two nights at Saintsbury's "Brown Ranch" Guest House, located on the winery's 40 acre Brown Ranch on Old Sonoma Road, just outside of the town of Napa. The house itself, original to the property, has been updated and now is a very comfortable two bedroom, two-bathroom country home with a living room and modern kitchen. Here you will also have the privilege of a private tour and tasting.

After you have settled in, venture out to Clos Pegase, located in Calistoga. With this private tour and tasting, the winning bidder will be privy to strolling amidst the world-recognized architecture, sculpture and art-laden caves of Clos Pegase. The spectacular structures created by Michael Graves and the surrounding sculpture garden that includes some of the world's greatest twentieth-century works of art have won international awards and generated great excitement in the wine industry. After an informative and humorous tour, you will be guided to a private tasting of their award-winning wines.

From there, continue on to Fleury, a hidden jewel in the heart of Napa that only sells its wines direct from the winery. Set back off the road, and potentially difficult to find, keep your eyes open for the wire Fleur de Lie that marks the entrance. Expect a personal experience, as the owners, Brian and Claudia, keep this operation quite small. Enjoy a Tour and Tasting, and relish the laid back and unique atmosphere of the place.



Finally, journey to Robert Biale Vineyards. The Biale family, immigrants from Northern Italy, began growing grapes in Napa in the 1930's – Zinfandel only. Zinfandel, California's adopted grape, was widely planted by immigrants throughout the State's history as a highly flavorful red grape well-suited for the climate. Each harvest, the Biale's fruit was routinely sold for bulk wine. Committed to the tradition of farming grapes, the Biales decided in 1991 to form a partnership with the goal of producing a world-class wine from the oldest Zinfandel vines on the ranch. The team: Al Perry, winemaking; Dave Pramuk, Marketing; Aldo and Bob Biale farming. The wine, named after longtime farmer Aldo Biale, was called "Aldo's Vineyard". Since then, Robert Biale has become one of California's most renowned producers of Zinfandel, and your private Zinfandel tasting will give you the opportunity to find out why. !

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LOT 737

1 15 Liter "Nebuchadnezzar" Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut

*Donated by Bank of Ann Arbor, Burns Lawn Care and Landscaping,
Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP, Miller Canfield,
Thomas B. McMullen Co., Inc., and
Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing*

Holy Moly! We thought about offering this lot to whichever of our guests tonight could lift it--but then we realized that a law-suit could result. A Nebuchadnezzar, named after a Babylonian King, holds 20 bottles of wine. This regal fellow is sure to be a crowd pleaser, filled with classic Veuve Cliquot Yellow Label, with its beautiful golden-yellow colour with a foaming necklace of tiny bubbles. Pleasing to the nose, initially reminiscent of white fruits and raisins, then of vanilla and later of brioche. What else is there to add, except "let the bidding commence!"



LOT 738

A Year with Scheer for Two

**Donated by Dick and Sally Scheer, The Village Corner
Last year's winners enjoyed a full complement of events
including:**

10-Course Chinese Banquet at China Gate

Calling All Zinners Zinfandel Tasting

The Great Australia-New Zealand Lamb Cookoff

World's Best Wine Values Tasting

Indian Dinner at Temptations

King Cabernet Sauvignon Tasting

A Celebration of Beaujolais Nouveau at Terry B's

Champagne Brunch at eve, the restaurant

We Are the Champions Prizewinners Tasting

Qupe Winemaker Dinner at eve, the restaurant

Annual German Winemakers Tasting

Villa Maria Winemaker Dinner at China Gate

All free of charge!

An opportunity to taste thousands of wines over the next year with Dick Scheer as your guide. Mr. Scheer, owner of Village Corner, celebrates 43 years in the wine trade this year. He is one of the Midwest's most active wine educators and director of Ann Arbor Tasters Guild, the world's largest guild. In addition to the local amenities, Tasters Guild membership includes subscriptions to two national wine publications, an opportunity to attend its two national wine judging conventions, and to join renowned national and international wine tours and cruises guided by its leading lights and noted winemakers.



LOT 739

**Golf Conditioning Clinic for 4 to Prepare You For...
A 2 Night Stay, Breakfast, and 2 Rounds of Golf for Two
at St. James Plantation in Southport, North Carolina**

*Donated by Susan Tait of "Body Driver" Fitness Success
and by St. James Plantation*

For the new and experienced golfers, enjoy a two-night stay, breakfast and two rounds of golf at the award winning resort community, St. James Plantation. Located in sunny Southport, North Carolina on the Intracoastal Waterway this community is a paradise of its own and also offer easy access to the historic port city of Wilmington and Myrtle Beach. Use by December 31, 2008. Prepare for you trip with a private Golf Conditioning clinic for four at Fitness Success/Body Driver in Ann Arbor. Each golfer will end up with a program to improve his or her drive. Use by November 2008.

LIVE AUCTION

LOT 740

"Pig in a Poke"

Donated by Janine and Joseph Meadows

Description by Rod Johnson, Village Corner

It's Déjà vu all over again! Veteran WineFest bidders should recall that the donor, Joe Meadows, has previously donated what he modestly describes as "Pig-in-a-poke" lots. They should also recall that these lots have typically been excellent, mature examples — in this case red Burgundy — of top pedigree. Need I say more? Let the bidding begin!



LOT 741

1 double magnum 1997 Domaine du Pegau Cuvee Reservee

Donated by J.C. Mathes

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

A cooler vintage, more elegant and delicately structured, but then what does that mean for Pegau? Big wine, for sure, with more graceful notes of pepper, flowers, and violets, and less overt crushed raspberry fruit. May yet be too young to drink, better to wait a few years just to be sure. May potentially go another 20.

LOT 742

1 bottle 2000 Domaine du Pegau Cuvee da Capo

Donated by J.C. Mathes

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

Well, when Robert Parker of the Wine Advocate gives a wine a perfect '100 point' rating, what more is there to add? Here's the review: "...The 2000 Chateauneuf du Pape Cuvee da Capo is a monument to old vine Grenache as well as traditionally made Chateauneuf du Pape. Boasting a natural alcohol of 16%, this wine, which was bottled in spring, 2003 because its fermentation was extremely slow, has virtually everything you could ever want in a profound Chateauneuf du Pape. The color is inky/ruby/purple to the rim. The extraordinary nose reveals aromas of kirsch liqueur, new saddle leather, animal fur, Provencal herbs, spice box, licorice, and a salty sea breeze character. On the palate, the wine is enormous, with an unctuousness, thickness, and purity that must be tasted to be believed. Over 95% of this offering is old vine Grenache, and the rest a field blend of ancient vines. Representing the essence of Chateauneuf du Pape, it possesses so much concentration that it is easy to pose the question ... "where's the tannin?" Analytically, it has very high levels of tannin, but the tannin is barely noticeable given the wine's exaggerated wealth of richness and power. This is a modern day legend in the making, and despite its



precociousness and ease in smelling and consuming, it will not hit its prime for another decade. It should last for 25-30 years, and take its place among some of the greatest Chateaufort du Pape ever made. .."

LOT 743

1 magnum Domaine du Pegau Cuvee "Inspiration"

Donated by J.C. Mathes

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

An extremely limited bottling from one of the finest estates in southern France. Notes from the Wine Advocate: 'essentially the vinification of the Cuvee Reservee, a selection of the best lots, a la the Cuvee da Capo, and an upbringing similar to that of the Cuvee Laurence. It resembles neither the Cuvee da Capo nor the Cuvee Reservee, coming across as something totally different. It is very concentrated, bold, flamboyant, and big boned with high tannins, spectacular concentration, and enormous extract as well as richness. Despite the later bottling it is still and infant, and should evolve over the next 2-3 decades.'

LIVE AUCTION

LOT 744

6 bottle Verical (1993, 1994, 1995, 1999, 2001, 2003)

Domaine du Pegau Reservee

Donated by J.C. Mathes

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

I've probably had more than my fair share of these wines, especially considering how little there is to go around, but I wouldn't give that up. Fleishy and exuberant in their youth, but attaining considerable refinement and complexity with age, the robust peppery, decadent fruit giving way to supple enchanting seamlessness that integrates aroma, flavor and texture into a whole greater than the parts.



The 1993 may be the most perfectly mature wine of the vertical, the 1994 and 1995 somewhat bigger, and in all likelihood still packing a fair bit of fruity flesh on their otherwise maturing and supple lines. The 99 remains one of the best, and most unjustly overlooked vintages for poise and expressiveness, the 2001 may be nearly perfect, but in need of 10+ years in the cellar to fully blossom. The 2003 is entering the 'mute' stage—don't drink it now, wait at least 3 more years then check it out. A fascinating study in how a top estate makes not only great wine, but reflects the character of each vintage uniquely.

LOT 745

Picture Perfect – Private Album Session

Donated by Cheryl Hall Photography

Great pictures are hard to come by - and don't come cheap. This package includes one weekday session with Photographer Cheryl Hall. After your session you will receive a beautiful silk album with your favorite proofs and a demi book for your purse or briefcase. Bring your children or the whole family and enjoy these photos for years to come! Expires August 2008.

LOT 746

A 60-bottle Critics' Choice Cellar Starter Collection: 60 Bottles

One-Year Subscription to Wine Spectator

Donated by Oxford Company

Description by Dick Scheer

Whether you're starting a wine cellar or just augmenting your present collection, this lot will surely fill the bill. It supplies you with 60 different bottles that encompass a wide variety of colors, styles, and backgrounds



so that you'll have something suitable for just about every food pairing and entertainment occasion. Each wine is critically acclaiming, rating 90/100 or better (or full 5-Star marks) by the world's most influential wine reviewers.

U.S.

- 05 Chateau Ste. Michelle Orphelin Columbia Valley Red WN92**
- 05 Moon Mountain Sonoma Cabernet Sauvignon BD92**
- 05 Rutherford Ranch Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon RW5***
 - 05 Paso Creek Paso Robles Merlot BD92**
 - 06 Cartlidge & Browne California Pinot Noir BD92**
 - 06 Qupe Central Coast Syrah W&91**
 - 06 C. D. Di Arie Amador Zinfandel BD92**
 - 05 Cline Oakley Five Reds California Red BD91**
 - 06 Chateau Ste. Michelle Nellie's Garden Columbia Valley Dry Rose WN90**
 - 06 L'ecole No. 41 Columbia Valley Semillon WE90**
 - 06 Hanna Slusser Road Vineyard Russian River Valley Sauvignon Blanc W&93**
 - 06 St. Supery Napa Valley Chardonnay BD95**
 - 06 Varner Foxglove Edna Valley Chardonnay RP90**
 - 06 Ballentine Old Vines Pocaí Vineyard Napa Valley Chenin Blanc WE91**
- 06 Willamette Valley Vineyards Willamette Valley Pinot Gris W&93**
 - 06 Zaca Mesa Santa Ynez Valley Viognier CG92**
 - 06 Trincherro Family Monterey Riesling WE90**
 - Gloria Ferrer Sonoma Blanc De Noirs WN94**

ARGENTINA

- 06 Caro Amancaya Mendoza Red W&92**
- 06 Clos De Los Siete Canton De Tunuyan Red RP92**
- 07 Crios De Susana Balbo Mendoza Torrontes RP90**

CHILE

- 06 Montes Colchagua Valley Cabernet Sauvignon WE90**
- 06 Cono Sur Colchagua Valley Carmenere RW5***
- 07 Veramonte Reserva Casablanca Valley Sauvignon Blanc W&91**



NEW ZEALAND

- 06 Kim Crawford Marlborough Pinot Noir BD93
- 07 Kim Crawford Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc W&91

AUSTRALIA

- 06 Mitolo Jester McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon RP92
- 06 Pillar Box Padthaway Red RP91
- 06 Torbreck Woodcutter's Barossa Valley Shiraz RP92
- 04 D'arenberg D'arry's Original McLaren Vale Shiraz-Grenache W&93
- 07 Torbreck Juveniles Barossa Valley Gms WE91
- 06 Torbreck Woodcutter's Barossa Valley Semillon ST91
- R. L. Buller Victoria Tawny RP91

SOUTH AFRICA

- 06 Mulderbosch Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon Rose Rw5*

FRANCE

- 03 Chateau Recougne, Bordeaux Superieur RW5*
- 04 Coteaux Du Layon Carte D'or, Domaine Des Baumard WS91
- 05 Chinon La Baronnie Madeleine, Domaine Couly-Dutheil WS92
- 06 Alsace Gewurztraminer Reserve, Lucien Albrecht W&90
- 06 Bourgogne Pinot Noir Laforet, Joseph Drouhin BD90
- 06 Saint Veran, Joseph Drouhin RW5*
- 05 Cotes Du Rhone, Chateau Mont Redon W&91
- 06 Pic Saint Loup Coteaux Du Languedoc Rose,
Domaine Lancyre W&90

GERMANY

- 06 Piesporter Goldtropfchen Riesling Kabinett,
Von Kesselstatt WS90
- 06 Rudesheimer Klosterlay Riesling Kabinett, Josef Leitz WS90

AUSTRIA

- 06 Kremser Freiheit Gruner Veltliner, Nigl ST90



GREECE

- 04 Nemea Agiorgitiko, Tselepos W&92
- 06 Rhodes Athiri Rhodos, Emery WS90

ITALY

- 05 Barbera D'alba Quattro Fratelli, Boroli W&91
- Prosecco Di Valdobbiadene Rustico, Nino Franco W&92
- 06 Collio Molamatta, Marco Felluga WS91
- 05 Chianti Classico Roberto Stucchi, Badia A Coltibuono DC5*
- 05 Chianti Classico, Castello Di Querceto DC5*
- 06 Toscana Pinot Grigio San Angelo, Castello Banfi WN90

SPAIN

- 06 Rias Baixas Albarino, Bodegas Nora RP91
- 03 Bierzo Abad Dom Bueno Roble, Bodegas Del Abad W&91
- 03 Rioja Reserva, Marques De Riscal DC5*
- 04 Carinena Garnacha Seleccion Menguante,
Vinedos Pablo RP91
- 05 Madrid Grenache-Syrah Old Vines, Merum ST92
- Osborne Solera 1827 Pedro Ximenez Sherry RP92

PORTUGAL

- 05 Dao, Quinta Dos Grilos W&90

Publication Abbreviations

Bd = Beverage Dynamics

Rp = Robert Parker's Wine Advocate

Rw = Restaurant Wine

St = Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

We = Wine Enthusiast

Ws = Wine Spectator

W& = Wine & Spirits

CG = Connoisseurs' Guide

DC = Decanter



LOT 747

“Leave the Sailing to Us”

Donated by Rich and Karen Brown and Robert and Maryanne Miller

Enjoy a fabulous afternoon and evening for 4 on the Silverton Motor Yacht of Bob and Maryanne Miller. This is no small boat! Complete with 2 staterooms, 2 bathrooms, a full kitchen and a flybridge, you will be traveling in style aboard this yacht. Set out from Toledo Beach Marina to a local paradise like Put-In Bay. Gourmet lunch and dinner will be provided by your crew of 6. Rich and Karen Brown will provide fine wines for the trip, along with Champagne for the launch. As usual, the quality of the wines will be determined by the level of your bid. Terms and Conditions: Trip will take place on a mutually agreeable date by Labor Day 2008, “rain check” provided for adverse weather.

LIVE AUCTION

LOT 748

Art Center Outreach Scholarships

Sponsored by the Ann Arbor Art Center

Not everyone will be a winning bidder this evening, but here's your chance to go home with the knowledge that you made a direct impact on the community. Imagine a child playing with clay, giving shape to his imagination. Another child admiring the striking reflection of her first self-portrait, taking great pride in the likeness she has created. The Ann Arbor Art Center brings creativity, fun and learning to over 300 underprivileged youth every year – for free! Whether it's the imaginative masterpieces created by the children participating in ArtMakers Kids or public works of art created by ArtMakers Teens, take a close look and you will see the power of creative thinking, vivid self-expression and the boundless stretches of youthful imagination! The Art Center reaches out to area schools and community centers with after school programs and summer long experiences. Your donation this evening will eliminate



financial barriers by sponsoring a scholarship for a child to participate Art Center programs. It is a gift of life changing opportunity, directly serving the children of our community.

LOT 749

"Seeing Red"

A case of Hedges Red Mountain

And a Whole Lot of Burgundy and Bordeaux

Donated by Peter & Jody Scott

Description by Ron Sober, Everyday Wines

Wow!! There is a lot of stuff here. Thirty two bottles of fantastic stuff grace this incredibly diverse lot. It would take pages upon pages to go into detail, so I will spare you the prose. Needless to say, you probably recognize every single wine in this list and realize what you will pickup if you are the lucky bidder. The way I see this lot is 3 fantastic wine dinners (or one crazy night). You can sample some of Washington State's finest wineries with Hedges. You can get a great insight into the Cotes de Beaune with those fantastic Burgundies and then you can top the whole thing off with some big, big Bordeaux. What can be said other than fire up your kitchen stove, get cooking and invite 10 of your favorite people over for one unforgettable evening?

LOT 750

5 bottles Chateau Decru Beaucallou Saint-Julien

Donated by Jim & Livvie Lutfy

Description by Matt Morgan, Morgan and York

A panoply of charms from this over-performing second-growth estate (better regarded as a first growth.) For drinking in the near term, open the 1984 and 1970, and decide for yourself which is the better—critics preferred the 1970. Next year, open 1978 and the 1985. Then, if can delay your gratification, give the 1986 another decade or two. Education, pleasure, and a trip through time, all in one.



LOT 751

Toledo Art Museum trip

Donated by Dominick Cuda

A limo will pick up you and your guest(s) (up to two couples) and take you to the Toledo Art Museum for a private tour. The Toledo Art Museum is internationally recognized for the quality of its collections, which include important works of art from Ancient Egypt through the Renaissance to our own time. A special gift from the Art Museum will be presented to each couple in appreciation for your generous gift. After the tour, guests will enjoy dinner at the signature restaurant, Georgio's Café International. Then we will take the limo back to our respective homes, sipping warm cordials on the way as we reflect on the pleasantries of the day. Date to be mutually agreed upon by Dominick Cuda and the winning bidder.

LIVE AUCTION

LOT 752

1 salamanzer Veuve Clicquot Yellow Label Brut Champagne Etched for the Art Center's 99th Year by Ann Arbor Glassworks

Donated by Ann Arbor Art Center Board of Directors

Description by Dick Scheer

What a showstopper! What an entertainment centerpiece! This huge salamanzar, uniquely etched for in honor of the Ann Arbor Art Center's 99 years serving the community, will certainly prove the hit of the party. It's 12 bottles in one— an entire case of one of the world's finest, most visible, and most popular Champagnes. Invite a cast of 50 and enjoy what Master of Wine Serena Sutcliffe calls "Always satisfying wine, with great bouquet and length. I usually buy the non-vintage Yellow Label in 2 or 3 case lots and keep it for a year or two; my friends then think it is very classy Vintage Champagne."



LOT 753

**2 Third-Row Tiger's Tickets
Limousine Service to the Big Game
And a Ball Autographed by 14 Time All-Star,
Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez**

Donated by TCF Bank and Golden Limousine Service

See a Tiger's game like you've never seen one before! Enjoy third-row tickets between home plate and the Tiger dugout as they play the California Angels in Comerica Park on September 3rd. Travel in style in a limousine courtesy of Golden Limousine Service, yours for 3 hours. Check certificates for terms and conditions.



*The Art Center worked with
a database of 2000+ artists
to place art on the walls of
community businesses in 2008.*
