

Saturday, July 31 ❖ FINE WINE DINNER

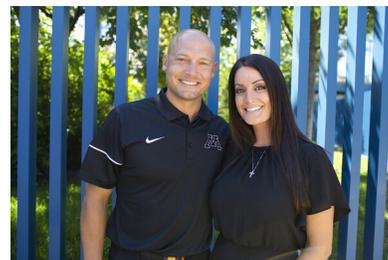
Live Auction

1. AN AFTERNOON AT EASTCLIFF

If you win this package, you and a guest will join University of Minnesota President Joan Gabel and Regent Kodi Verhalen for stories, bites, and wine on the patio of Eastcliff, the official residence of the president of the University of Minnesota. You'll also take home a variety of wines donated by President Gabel and Regent Verhalen – each vintage tells a special story! This includes a mixed case of wine from the Kingston Family Vineyard (Chile): three bottles of 2018 Sabino Chardonnay, two bottles of 2020 Rosillo Rose, three bottles of 2019 Carblanco Sauvignon Bland, and four bottles of 2019 Lucero Syrah. Plus, you'll receive one 2006 bottle from the O'Brien Estate Winery and one 2017 bottle of Poetry from Cliff Lede Vineyards. Upon your visit to Eastcliff, you'll be asked to bring along one wine from each donation (President Gabel's Kingston and Regent Verhalen's O'Brien or Lede) to learn the stories that lay behind these wines. Then enjoy an evening overlooking the Mississippi River as you sip and toast.

2. AN ELITE EVENING

Get ready to row the boat with P.S. Steak, Minnesota Gopher Football Coach P.J. Fleck and Heather Fleck at The Apartment above Borough, a chef's kitchen and dining room operated by the popular North Loop restaurant. Imagine enjoying lively conversation and delectable dining all evening, courtesy of Chef Mike DeCamp – known for P.S. Steak, Monello, Borough, and Parlour. To top it off, Fantesca Estate and Winery will provide the perfect premium wine pairings from their cellar.



3. LOUISVILLE BOURBON EXPERIENCE

Perfect for any Bourbon connoisseur, this package includes a round-trip flight for two to Kentucky for a VIP tour of Makers Mark, Jim Beam, and Knob Creek! Transportation to each distillery will be provided as well as a stay at the luxurious Brown Hotel, a landmark in downtown Louisville since 1923. You'll also receive your pick of a Knob Creek barrel of whiskey and an opportunity to invite four guests. Don't miss out on this one-of-a-kind opportunity!

4. JCB WINE COUNTRY EXPERIENCE



Two winning couples will enjoy the definitive Napa Valley experience with the Boisset Collection Proprietor Jean-Charles Boisset. Get ready to be wowed. If you're the winner, you'll receive experiences from Raymond Vineyards, Secret Indulgence, JCB Collection and Oakville Grocery & Wine Merchant.

5. CHEFS' DELIGHT

If you're lucky enough to win this unique and elegant dining experience, you and seven guests will be hosted by Jamie Malone at her new restaurant, EATo on October 16. Chefs Jamie Malone, Jack Riebel, Jim Christiansen, and Ryan Cook will each prepare a savory course for you to enjoy. Plus, Jason DeRusha will prepare his signature cocktails during the reception with wines provided by some of our best WineFest partners. Bon appetit!

6. FANTESCA VIP EXPERIENCE

Bid on this package if you love the idea of visiting a Napa Valley winery – and soaking up incredible views while drinking equally incredible wine. Fantesca Estate & Winery, established by Minnesota natives Susan and Duane Hoff, creates top-ranking wines in quality and collectability. If you win, you'll be treated to a private tour and an exclusive tasting of small-production wines crafted by esteemed winemakers Heidi Barrett and Tony Arcudi. In addition, you'll be welcomed by the personal estate host to explore stunning views of Spring Mountain, tour the property's wine cave, and savor world-class wines. You'll also go home with a stunning six-liter bottle of Fantesca's All Great Things "Hope," which holds a big, bold and ripe red blend.

7. DEMI / ZUCKER DINNER

Join Pittsburgh Penguin Jason Zucker and KFAN broadcaster Carly Zucker for a two-hour, 12-course dining experience at Demi in Minneapolis's North Loop. This intimate experience invites you and seven guests to gather at the counter of James Beard Award-winning Chef Gavin Kaysen's latest restaurant, watching your meal come to life before your eyes. Thoughtful drink pairings and singular dishes dreamed up by a team of dedicated chefs and servers will leave you in awe and appreciation for the craft of hospitality. Seats at Demi sell out within ten minutes of their release each month – don't miss this opportunity to experience it for yourself.



8. WINEFEST NO. 25 ARTWORK BY VINCENT CONNORS



Bring home an artful souvenir from WineFest No. 25 if you win *A Toast to Health* (32 in. by 40 in.) by artist Vincent Connors. "I wanted to convey the feeling of the event," he says. "Make it playful, whimsical, and everyone coming together to toast doing something noble and good." In fact, this artwork inspired much of tonight's theme and décor. While Vincent lost his Napa Valley studio in a wildfire three years ago, today he draws inspiration from the natural beauty surrounding his Heron House Studio located in an eclectic and rustic tractor barn at Steltzner Vineyards, also in Napa.

9. TREE OF TIM MCKEE DINNER

If you win this one, gather up 10 of your closest friends for The Tree of Tim McKee event on October 17 at the Cambria Gallery in downtown Minneapolis. Your evening will begin with passed hors d'oeuvres and continue with a six-course extravaganza. Amazingly, each course will be curated by a different chef, including Tim McKee, Tyge Nelson, Mike DeCamp, Diane Moua, Stephen Hesse, and Jim Christiansen. And need we say it? Wines will be provided.

10. A NAPA VALLEY EXPERIENCE

It's easier to explain what this jam-packed package doesn't include! If you're the winner, prepare for a true Napa Valley experience! You and three guests will enjoy a three-night stay at the Kenefick Ranch Cottage plus all kinds of fun from Cardinale, Freemark Abbey Winery, BV Vineyards, Beringer Estate, and Stags' Leap Estate.



11. DINNER WITH MR. ALOHA

Aloha! Count on a once-in-a-lifetime experience for you and seven friends if you win this package. Esera Tuaolo, aka Mr. Aloha, will cook up a storm for you and your guests – plus provide delectable wine pairings. This former NFL player, author, chef, philanthropist and NBC's "The Voice" contestant will keep you entertained all evening – and provide a hula show!

12. CARTIER RONDE SOLO WRISTWATCH



Imagine wearing this out on the town. Or to work. Or to the hardware store. Wherever you wear this fine piece of jewelry, expect to turn heads if you're the winner. This Cartier Ronde Solo XL wristwatch, courtesy of our very own JB Hudson Jewelers, is the epitome of elegance – with 42 mm, automatic movement, an 18k rose gold-and-steel case, Roman numerals, blued-steel sword-shaped hands, a silvered opaline dial, a rail-track minute circle, and a brown leather strap. Consider it a true piece of art on your wrist.

13. 1995 WINE COLLECTION

Attention, wine collectors! Your wine cellar will have bragging rights if you win this one. Just like WineFest, these wines were created in 1995 and aged to perfection. This lot includes one bottle of 1995 Dominus Cabernet Sauvignon, one bottle of 1995 Inglenook Rubicon (signed by Francis Ford Coppola himself!), one bottle of 1995 Chateau Segur de Cabanac Saint Estephe, one bottle of 1995 Chateau Leoville Las Cases Red Wine, and two (two!) signed magnums of 1995 Sterling Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon. Cheers!