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**HOLIDAY AUCTION OF WINE ACCESSORIES FROM THE COLLECTION OF WALTER RICH TO AUCTION AT RAGO'S ON DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2010**

**Corkscrews, Wine Trolleys, Decanters, Tastevin, Measures for Gift Givers, Hosts and Serious Collectors**

**Wine Accessories and Paraphernalia from the Collection of Walter Rich**

- Saturday, December 4 at 11 AM
- 60+ lots
- Telephone, absentee, online bidding available for those unable to attend.

**Auction Exhibition/Preview**

- Saturday, November 27, 2010 through Friday, December 2, 2010 from 12-5 PM and by appointment. Wine Reception on Thursday, December 2 from 5-8 pm. Doors open on December 4 at 8 a.m. (Preview in conjunction with Great Estates and Jewelry/Silver/Currency auctions on December 4 and 5, 2010.
- Rago's is located midway between New York City and Philadelphia. Directions online at ragoarts.com.

**Catalogue**

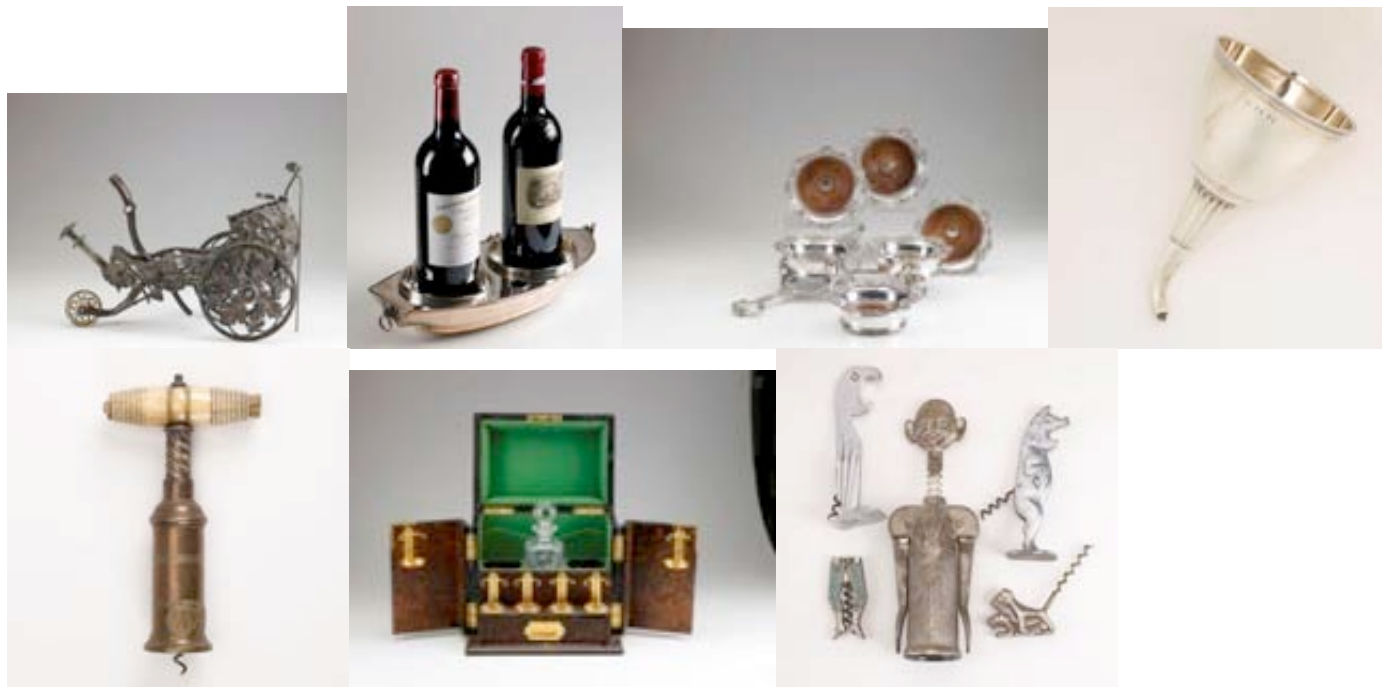
- Printed catalogues are available for \$20 each (includes entire Great Estates auction) by calling 609.397.9374 or e-mailing a request to info@ragoarts.com.
- View online with color images at ragoarts.com from November 19.

Walter Rich is a connoisseur of first growth Bordeaux who walked out of a concentration camp after World War II vowing to live each day as if it were his last.

Now 82, he has moderated the number of bottles he drinks each week, but never the quality of the grape within. He calls himself not a "collector" of wine, which he defines as a person who buys to sell, but an "accumulator" who buys to drink.

Mr. Rich's collection of wine accessories and paraphernalia comprises pieces from the 19th and 20th centuries and includes coasters, chariots, corkscrews, decanters, shields, tastevin, collars, stoppers, scales, measures and funnels.

Bidding opens at half of the low estimate.



**From Left to Right, Top to Bottom:** **Lot 1** CHRISTOFLE MECHANICAL WINE TROLLEY, 20th c.; Marked; 13" x 9 1/2" x 7", Estimate: \$600-800.; **Lot 2** DOUBLE WINE TROLLEY; silver plate, 19th/20th c.; 13 1/2" x 2 3/4" x 6" Estimate: \$500-700; **Lot 10** WINE COASTERS;; Set of four magnum-sized coasters in silver plate and matching double trolley, 20th c.; Trolley length: 19", Estimate: \$800-1200; **Lot 17** GEORGE III SILVER WINE FUNNEL; By Solomon Hougham, London, 1794; 5 1/2" Estimate: \$600-800; **Lot 28** THOMPSON TYPE CORKSCREW; Bone/ivory handle, plaque marked with "Dowler" brand on bronze barrel, 19th c.; 7" Estimate \$300-500; ; **Lot 61** TANTALUS BOX; Burlwood with brass mountings, silver crest, 19th c.; Marked Tiffany & Co. Union Square; 12" x 12 3/4" x 8 1/2" \$300-500; **Lot 75** FIVE NOVELTY CORKSCREWS, 19th/20th c.; Largest: 8 1/2" Estimate: \$500-700.

#### Notes for the Editor

- High-resolution images available.
- The Rago Arts and Auction Center is a renowned venue for auction, private sale and appraisal. Located midway between Philadelphia and New York, it is New Jersey's leading auction house, as well as its largest. The Auction Center holds multi-million dollar sales of 20<sup>th</sup> century decorative arts and furnishings, fine art, jewelry, American, Asian and European estate property for an international clientele. Rago's offers both sellers and buyers a singular blend of global reach and personal service. It is a world-class venue for auction and sale by private treaty. It is also a destination for those who seek to learn and share knowledge about art, antiques and collecting, with free valuations for personal property (from a single piece to collections and estates) and auction exhibitions in house and online.

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