HISTORICALLY IMPORTANT AUCTION
OF KANE FAMILY
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH 10 AM
230 CLAY STREET, KANE, PENNSYLVANIA
PREVIEW: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST NOON - 3 PM
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH 2 PM – 7 PM
AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH 9 AM – 10 AM

OIL PAINTINGS – ANTIQUES – HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS – MILITARY – REAL ESTATE

Directions: Located in northwestern Pennsylvania, halfway between Buffalo and Pittsburgh. From Buffalo: Off I-90 West take Exit 56, Rte. 219 South through Bradford to Lantz Corners, take Rte. 6 West to Kane, at the caution light, Clay Street, turn right, go 2 blocks to Auction. From Pittsburgh: Take 1-79 North to I-80 East to Exit #60 (Shippenville, PA) which is Rte. 66. Take Rte. 66 North to Rte. 6 East (Right) to the caution light at Clay Street, turn left 2 blocks to auction. Watch for auction signs.

We will be auctioning the family home and artifacts of “Anoatok”, the Kane family homestead in Kane Pennsylvania. John Kane, born in Ireland 1734, immigrated through New England and later Philadelphia; he had two famous grandsons, Thomas Leiper Kane, and Elisha Kent Kane. Many of the family artifacts have bearing on significant events in American history from the Revolutionary War era through the Civil War.

General Thomas Leiper Kane (1822-1883) is revered by the Mormons for single-handedly helping avert an all-out war between the Mormons and the US Government (1857-58). A county in Utah is named for him and a full size statue is in the center of the rotunda of the Capital Building in Salt Lake City. Thomas befriended the Mormons, including Joseph Smith and Brigham Young. We will be selling documents including a 5-page letter written and signed by Young. He fought at battlefields at Gettysburg and Chancellorsville, wounded several times he was captured in the Shenandoah Valley. He came out of the war as a Major General and was appointed Brigadier General 1862. He founded Kane Pennsylvania and organized the Bucktail Regiment of sharpshooters in the Civil War. His wife, Dr. Elizabeth Dennistoun Wood, 1836-1909, was notable in her own right and was one of the 1st female Doctors in Pennsylvania. Paintings and artifacts pertaining to Elizabeth will also be sold.

Dr. Elisha Kent Kane (1820-1857) was a famous Naval Surgeon, Arctic explorer and artist. A crater on the moon, two US Naval Ships and an Arctic waterway are named for him. Elisha is noted for the two U.S. Grinnell Arctic Expeditions to find Sir John Franklin, 1850-54. During his expeditions he did sketches, and authored several books about the expeditions. He commissioned James Hamilton, 1819-1878, to illustrate his Arctic narratives. Also selling is a large, luminous painting of a ship surrounded by icebergs attributed to Hamilton. This painting is reminiscent of Frederick Church’s famous iceberg painting. Hamilton was teacher of Thomas Moran who was a colleague of Church. Hamilton, known as the “American Turner” worked with and was a friend of Elisha Kent Kane. We will be selling 16 watercolors by Kane or Hamilton from his Arctic Expeditions. In addition, his presentation sword, along with two portraits and other artifacts will be sold. He was so beloved that upon his death, the country mourned him with a month-long 2,000-mile procession. His funeral was the largest in American history, eclipsed by Lincoln’s a half-decade later.
SWORDS SELLING AT 12 NOON: Naval Surgeon Elisha Kent Kane’s Presentation Sword, inscribed on scabbard Inscribed:

Presented to
Surgeon Elisha K. Kane, U.S. Navy
   By his Friends and Fellow Citizens of
   The City of Philadelphia
   In honor of his gallantry
   when bearer of dispatches
   to the Commander in Chief.
On assuming the command of his casual escort at Nopalucu, Mexico.- of his skill and Intrepidity on leading it to a charge on a body of Mexican Lancers which resulted in the capture of two Generals, other officers and men – and of his noble humanity on interposing his own person in the heat of battle to save the lives of his wounded prisoners from an infuriated soldiery.

28 ½” Blade, Blade and Scabbard 35 1/4” long, Gold Gilt Scabbard with a Highly Engraved Handle. The Hilt has a Snake Coiled around Handle with Cabochon Jeweled Eyes and Ormolu Mounts; No Maker Marks found, probably French.

Samurai Katana Sword, signed Kanenaka. He worked in the Echizen Province 1681-1688, last of the Kanemoto School. Mino School style blade with San-Bon-Sugi Temper Line, 27 ¾” cutting edge, ware in ridgeline 3/8” long and other minor pitting and stains. No chips, slight bend at mid blade. WW II Gunto (Army) mounted, pierce tsuba, full same handle (manta ray), no wraps or menuki. Catalogued by Charles Heesh, Member of AAA – Japanese Sword Appraiser.

OVER 140 OIL PAINTINGS AND WORKS ON PAPER INCLUDING: Sixteen 18th & 19th Century Portraits of Kane Family Relatives and Friends, Including Two Portraits of Elisha Kent Kane, one in his Navel Uniform; a Large Oil on Tin of Revolutionary War Major General Philip Schuyler, 4th in Command under George Washington plus an Oil on Canvas of his Wife Catharine (Van Rensselaer) Schuyler; A Pair of 19th C Portraits of Daniel & Louise Retz, grandson of E. Retz, Bucks County PA. Other Family Portraits identified as: John Kane II and his wife Maria Codwise Kane, circa 1820-35; Elisha Kent Kane, 1770-1834, Grandfather of Thomas and Elisha Kane; Dr. Elizabeth Dennistoun Wood, 1836-1909, wife of Gen. Kane. There are 40 Comical Risqué Caricatures WW I Watercolors, circa 1918, drawn by “Sashy” Elisha Kent Kane (1894-1959, son of Dr. Evan O’Neil Kane, Grandson of Gen. Kane); 4 Panels, Risqué Caricatures of the Classics by Georges Leonnec, 1881-1940; Large Lithograph of Thomas Kent Kane. Throughout the Manor there are numerous other paintings, watercolors or pencil drawings. Most are unsigned, but a few are signed including some by Kane family members. SELLING AT 12:15: Large oil painting, 39 ½ x 59 ½ attributed to James Hamilton of a Ship and Icebergs. NOTE: All of the artwork is inventoried with an “Order of Sale” and will be sold throughout the sale in the order listed. Contact James Corcoran at www.corcoranfinearts.com for the listing of the art.

FURNITURE INCLUDING: Drop Arm Mission Oak Chair; 3 Matching Maple Double Bookcases and One Single; Pair Large Oak China Closets with Curved Glass, Claw Feet & Lion Heads; Double Door China Closet with Curved Glass Ends & Mirror Top; Single Door Mahogany Bookcase with Claw
Feet; Very Large ‘Over the Mantle’ Mirror, 7’2” x 5’ with Beveled Glass, Neo-Classical Gilt Gesso; Oak Display Table with Rope Turned Legs;

Carved Oak Dining Room Set with Extension Table, 8 Side Chairs, 2 Arm Chairs and Matching Sideboard; Two Fancy Pier Mirrors with Marble Shelves; Eastlake Walnut Hall Coat Rack with Mirror and Letter Drop; Oak “C” Curve Roll Top Desk; Empire Revival Mahogany Table w Acanthus Leaf Carvings; Flemish Style Carved Armchair with Kane Crest; Pair Chinese Plant Stands; 2 Empire Revival Mahogany Chests with Mirrors; Mahogany Stained Wardrobe with Claw Feet; Fancy Mahogany Rocker; French Style Trumeau Mirror, Federal Period, with Eglomise Painted Panel Decorated with Gold Leaf on Glass, circa 1820, 54 ½ x 34; Square Oak Table w Split Pedestal and Claw Feet; Turtle Top Marble Top Table; Empire Server, Mahogany with Acanthus Carved Legs, Circa 1830; Mission Oak Side Chair; Oak and Mahogany Pedestals; Oak Music Case; Oak Writing Desk; Mission Oak Rocker with Heart Cutouts; Mission Oak Footstool, Painted 2-Door Oak Wardrobe; Mahogany Record Cabinet; Pair Twin Mahogany Beds; Mahogany Shield Back Side Chair; Sheraton Baltimore Side Chair – published reports state that this chair was sat upon by President Ulysses S. Grant; 5 Tree Slab Tables Decorated with WW I Risqué Caricatures Subjects, Circa 1918, Drawn by “Sashy” Elisha Kent Kane (1894-1959 – son of Dr. Evan O’Neil Kane, Grandson of Thomas L. Kane); Oak Arm Chair; Child’s Highchair with Tray; North Wind Side Chair; Two Door Bookcase; Oak Rocker, etc.

ACCESSORIES AND MISCELLANEOUS INCLUDING: Philadelphia Cut Glass Compote, Circa 1820, with Early Staple Repair; 7 Percussion Pistols; Civil War Musket; Blunder Bust; Japanese WW II Bayonet and Flag; WW I Helmets and WW II Japanese Helmet & Cartridge Box; Pair Artillery Shell Casings; Original Parchment 2’ x 3’ Document, The Fire Hose Association of Philadelphia, containing the Articles of Constitution organizing different Fire Companies into one Association, Signed & Dated with many Hose Companies, 1811-1814; Amphora Pitcher, Bowl and Large Bowl – Oak Pattern, as is; Set 6 Lemonade Glasses w Handles; Set 12 Colored Cordial Glasses; Royal Winton, Small Character Mug of Winston Churchill; Assorted Stemmed Flint Glasses; Celery Monogrammed “C”; Royal Winton Chintz, Creamer & Sugar, Cranstone Pattern; Early Chestnut Quilted Blown Flask; Heisey Pin Jar & Hair Receiver; Pair Brass Candlesticks; Crow Weathervane by “Sashy” Elisha Kent Kane; Grand Piano; Arts & Crafts Floor Lamp; 2-Pc Girandole Set; Arts & Crafts Vase signed A. F. Simms; Plaster Bust Gen. Thomas L. Kane; Andirons made from Railroad Rails; 2 Early Copper Tea Kettles; Sparton Floor Model Radio; Pairs of Snowshoes and Skis; 3 Safes; Etc.

REAL ESTATE SELLING AT 11 AM: Anoatok, Eskimo for “the wind loved spot” is a Georgian Colonial Revival, built in 1896-97 to replace the original home destroyed by fire. Remarkably most of the family belongings were saved from the fire. Anoatok was built by Cope & Stewardson of Philadelphia, noted architects of buildings at Bryn Mawr College, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton U and Washington U in Missouri. Anoatok, or the Kane Manor as it is more commonly know, is the Kane family homestead and is on the National Registry of Historic Places. We can provide a copy of the detailed information about this property and its history from the National Trust. It is located just minutes away from the Allegheny National Forest with fly fishing, hunting, hiking, canoeing, etc. The property remained in the Kane family until it was sold to the present owners in 1983. Since the mid 1930’s it has been a wayside inn with 10 units, 6 private bathrooms, a full size commercial kitchen and taproom serving meals and legal beverages. The property consists of 10 Acres of land and will be sold with the contemporary furnishings, liquor license and all kitchen equipment. The home and grounds are in excellent condition; the B&B is a “turn-key” operation. Opening bid is $250,000 with the owners reserving the right to “one” bid. For parties interested in purchasing the real estate, with pre-registration, overnight guests at the Kane Manor will be offered an extensive free tour of the house by Manor staff. Contact us to receive a ‘Fact Sheet’ with terms of sale and details about the real estate.

Links to additional information - Kane Manor: [www.kanemanor.com](http://www.kanemanor.com). This sale is being conducted in connection with James Corcoran [www.corcoranfinearts.com](http://www.corcoranfinearts.com).

Information about motels and the area is available at the Kane Chamber of Commerce web site: [http://www.kanepa.com/index.html](http://www.kanepa.com/index.html). The closest airport is the Bradford Regional Airport, about 20 miles from Kane.

TERMS: 10 % BUYER’S PREMIUM. Positive ID required to bid (driver’s license preferred) unless known to us. If paying by any other method than cash or assured payment, items may be held until payment clears our bank. Phone and absentee bids accepted, executed competitively by a member of our staff. Due to poor cell phone reception in the area, we can not guarantee that phone bids can be received. We will do our best to accommodate phone bidders but in order to insure your bid, we recommend you leave an absentee bid as a ‘backup’ to your phone bid. VISA, MC, DISC & AMX. No sales tax charged at on-site auctions in Pennsylvania.

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