

Thousand Oaks Winery News

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"A Valentine's Gift Is Cheaper Than Alimony"

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Wine Club

The wine club met Friday, 15 January 2010 (7pm) at the home of Floyd and Sarah Masters. This was one of our largest meetings with a number of new members present. If you haven't sampled the wine produced by this extraordinary group, you've really missed out.

The next wine club meeting will be held on Friday, 26 February 2010 (7pm) at Thousand Oaks Winery. We will post the agenda to our website "news" section when it's completed. We've scheduled a 90 minute training session with Donna Aufdenberg on pesticide licensing and spraying. There is a \$12 manual that accompanies this training.

Vine Pruning Workshops

The ICCVE vineyard pruning workshops will take place February 16-19 at the following locations:

February 16, 2010

Les Bourgeois Winery and Vineyards
12847 W. Hwy BB
Rocheport, MO

February 17, 2010

Platte County MU Extension Center
11724 NW Plaza Circle, Suite 300
Kansas City, MO

February 19, 2010

Chaumette Vineyards & Winery
24345 State Rte WW
Ste. Genevieve, MO

The program at each location will be as follows:

10:00 am *Basic Aspects of Grapevine Pruning*:
Andy Allen, Extension Viticulturist, University of Missouri, ICCVE

11:00 am *Grapevine Pruning – Safety Issues*:
Jackie Harris, Extension Viticulture Assistant,
University of Missouri, ICCVE

11:15 am *Assessing Grapevine / Bud Mortality*
and Update for the 2009/2010 Dormant
Season

12:00 pm Networking lunch

1:00 pm *Pruning practice* in the vineyard (we
will break into small groups)

3:00 pm Adjourn

Email Andy Allen at allenra@missouri.edu for more information.

Wine & Grape Conference

Don't forget that the Midwest Grape and Wine Conference is this weekend. If you haven't registered yet for this year's conference, please do so immediately. There is an excellent program lined up there are more exhibitors in the trade show this year than ever!! This is the 25th anniversary of the conference and it promises to be a very special meeting. The program and registration form are available online at the following location: <http://www.midwestgrapeandwineconference.com>.

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Happy St. Valentine's Day

Weather permitting; Thousand Oaks Winery will be open for the St. Valentine's Day weekend. Our tasting room and oven will be ready for you and that special someone.



Please keep us in mind if you need a place to gather with family and friends.

Having Fun with Snow at Thousand Oaks Winery



After 10 inches of snow last weekend closed our road, we were left with some free time on our hands. Our winery puppy (now 18 months old) enjoyed frolicking in the snow, while we decided on a more sedimentary

form of entertainment. Wine chilled in less than 7 minutes.

2010 Entertainment

We continue booking our 2010 entertainment. If you haven't previously performed at Thousand Oaks Winery, please mail a sample of your music to:

Thousand Oaks Winery
P. O. Box 63
Patton, MO. 63662

'Cooking With Class' at Mulberry Hollow B&B

Enjoy learning to cook or sitting back and sipping wine while watching someone else do the cooking? Mulberry Hollow Bed & Breakfast owners Floyd and Sarah Masters will demonstrate the preparation of a delicious Country Style Meal. There is a \$35 ticket price that includes round-trip transportation from your home or office by Vines 2 Wines Excursions. There is limited availability, so to reserve your seat, please call Suzanne at (573) 579-9009. Don't miss out on the B&B's special winter rate of \$69.00 per couple and become their Facebook fan for updates, news, and pictures.

Looking for The Perfect Valentine's Gift

The perfect Valentine's Day gift is at *Light My Way Candles*, *Cedar Lane Florist*, *Mulberry Hollow B&B*, or *Vines 2 Wines Excursions*.

Light My Way Candles: Features unique homemade gifts, hand crafted candles, and bath and beauty products that are sure to be appreciated. Also, visiting with Jan and Terry is a wonderful experience that shouldn't be missed. (573) 866-2446

Cedar Lane Florist: Amy Mayberry runs a unique florist and gift shop in Patton, MO. Must be visited to be truly appreciated. (573) 866-3530

Mulberry Hollow B&B: A romantic stay at Floyd and Sarah Master's beautiful B&B is a gift that she will remember forever. (573) 547-3162

Vines 2 Wines Excursions: An excursion to Missouri's wineries with hosts Suzanne and Tom is sure to please. (573) 579-9009.