



WILSON WINES NEWSLETTER

Spring edition 2008

Are you ready for Opening Day Mushroom Day May 3rd 1-6pm

Our opening event starts at 1pm, the Celtic Band, Walden's Song, starts at 2pm. And are we excited!

John has been watching his secret mushroom place and we can't find out which Meijer store he uses. He's got some new recipes to try and Jim will bring his great Mushroom soup. Darin and Leslie will also bring their cooking skills to Mushroom Day.

It'll be a day of the Wilson meeting and eating with most of their friends after this long winter, sharing some food and tasting all their wines and enjoying the day.

Don't forget, this day only, you can buy all four concert tickets for \$32 (a savings of \$16 at the gate price). A lot of people always say "But I don't know what I'm always doing that far way!" These tickets make great presents and people who have never experienced a concert at the Winery will be very thankful for your tickets.

There will croquet to play, along with corn hole and all the sunshine the day will allow.

Mushroom day is revered by the Wilson's in general. It is always close to their departed father's birthday and he was such an avid mushroom hunter. John swears Dick could make the plants grow at John's feet.

The Winey has a new Mediterranean Look

Debbie and her angels, (Alice, Beth, Jessica, Brooke) have painted up the tasting room and it looks so great that John is try to find the appropriate statue for the "court yard." If you loved the winery before, you won't want to ever leave now.

Cooke and Bell Band coming to the Winery

Jim and John had a chance to book this great talent before they go national. The boys have never tried a true country band at the winery and when they had a chance to bring in t big name they jumped at the chance.

They know the boys like good old rock and roll and Cook stated that they have quite a few good rock and roll songs. But they'll bring some great country also.

Just what the Winery needs, some great country to go with its great country view.

Maybe you could camp at Kamp Modoc for the weekend

Awards from 2007

As you know the winery has the cheese cake contest that Debbie invented which has become a great event and last year's winners were

1st Emily Smith – Peanutly Coca Marble

2nd – Cathy Roland – Chocolate Eruption

3rd-Caryn Angel – Carmel Apple

Best Presentation – Dennis Angel Knightstown.

Congratulation gang, and thanks to Tangle Vine for selecting the prizes. John said he's glad that Bret didn't enter and decided to teach Cathy some of his secrets so she could be one of the winners this year.

Last year was the first year for the cornbread contest. John said this will be an on going event from now on so get your recipe ready.

1st Charlie Clouse

2nd Brett Roland

3rd Glynda Beeson

Midnight Red

There is now a port in Modoc. This is great unexpected pleasure that Darin found with Jim's guidance in our homegrown grapes. For once the bugs gave us a break and we were allowed to pick our two reds at different times so the sugars got way up there. And thanks to John going and getting some grape brandy in Ohio but Harold had to go with him so he wouldn't get lost.

The gang made something so special that we can't believe how good it is. John wrote a little verse on the label.

Midnight Red, Modoc grown Sweet with friends, comfort alone.

Kevin thinks we have finally made a wine that will go with a great cigar. We think that after your BYOM dinner that you will want to sit back with a cigar and a glass of Midnight Red.

My God it's been a Long Winter

John has been going crazy, no Golf, no B.Y.O.M. He had to go into the hospital for pancreatitis then he almost got throwed out. Seems John's kids, Stacey, Darin and Brother Joe was all there with John and they got a little rowdy. Debbie said there should be a law against having 4 Wilsons in a room at the same time.

The boys have been going crazy trying to get all their wine into bottle. The inside of the winery is getting a paint job from the women. There is a lot of work out side to do to get ready. The trucks this fall and the tractor that handles the wine skids sure have messed up the concert seating area. Bret going to get the lights up with Darins help and who know how long we'll play croquet now that we have lights to go all night.

Don't forget that the croquet court will available for Saturday and Sunday play also.

WHAT'S NEW

Jim and Darin have been like witches over a cauldron this winter. They got a new knew freeze tank, which should add to the quality of the wine. Get the wine cold and stable, and less wine diamonds and hopefully less filtering which should leave more character in the wine. If you want to have some fun ask Darin how much work it was to get the tank into working condition.

And we added a new semi-auto corker, sure is fast and easy and accurate. Should make pulling the corks out a lot easier. Between the new tank and corker one would think the winery was in downtown Modoc.

Wine Fairy Invasion

Last year the Wine fairy showed up and poured some new concrete. No longer is the hump in the dance floor and there is also a slab in front of the back doors which is real nice. Be a good place to put a grill or two when it rains. Just cook at the back doors and eat inside.

Our Concert Dates

Gene Deer 6-28,

Jennie Devoe – 7-19

Cooke and Belle – 8-09

Duke Tumatoe – 8-23

Remember gates open at 7, parking across the road, no coolers, no pets, food available; band starts at 8:30

Indy dance 8/2 7:00pm

Old world dancing at the winery, admission, proceeds going to the roof the Winchester court house, More info at Tanglevine Farmland 765-468-6958

Special BYOMs

May 30th 7pm Great Divide Blue Grass

July 18th 8:30 pm Life by John on a john

Aug 15th Jimmie Buffet Night Cheeseburger contest

Oct 3rd Cowboy night, John cooks 20# hunk of meat, when it's gone, it's gone, might want bring something, those that got there late didn't get any.

New Wines

Darin and Jim brought in from Cal. a ton of cabernet sauvignon grapes along with a ton of Shiraz and wow is John impressed. Probably will barrel age through the summer and the Cab might be released for the follies. John has got his eye on the calendar to see when it could happen, Jim and Darin will keep an eye on the wine.

Darin make a special blend that we call **Indian Trail Red**, which was barrel age through the winter, and it may be the best value on the farm. Thanks Darin, he thinks this will be kind of guess when we make it again, just depends on the juice yields from the Cal. grapes. And then there's Jim semi sweet Foch, kind of a different angle for those that don't like the red dry wines with there BYOM dinners

Art Show last Sun in the month

May thru Aug.

The winery will be open the last Sun of each month to all artist, is welcome, it is all free. Free booth space, first come gets first choice where, no charge to walk around and see what is for sale with a glass of wine (we will charge for the wine).

John thinks this could be great summer events if we can get the word out. Walk around, looking at the art, bring a picnic spread a blanket out, enjoy the afternoon, the art, the wine, the croquet court, being outside. The dates are
Sun May 25 1-6 Art and wine
Sun June 29 1-6 Art and wine
Sun July 27 1-6 Art and wine
Sun Aug 31 1-6 Art and wine
We close the Art show with a display at the Modoc Meadows Fall Follies Sept 27 4- to 11 pm
Tell your friends and your artist friends; let's try to make this a big event for our customers and artist.

Funniest thing in 07

There it was, the opening day, Mushroom Day. Glenda, Alice and Earl was managing the mushroom snacks and John and Bret was running the bar when came a crash back in the back room. John and Bret looked at each other and John said, "That sounded serious!"

Bret said he'd look and came back to the bar shaking his head. When John asked Bret should he get involved? Bret's reply was "its better you don't know!" I know you readers will find this hard to believe, but John (Mister Overreact) stayed at the bar and was later informed that Glenda had moved the table and the whole crock pot and it mushroom snack fell to the floor and the only batch was a total loss.

Stars and Chard 6/14

Darin and Jim has made a great Chardonnay and John has decided to hold a free event June 14th, starts at 6pm and we'll have the telescope up at dark.

The stars are just great in Modoc, let's hope we get some clear sky. All telescopes welcomed.

Purdue just loves this Chardonnay; it is very different from last year's batch. More traditional

Vacation in Modoc?

Ever think of taking a vacation in Modoc. Ponder this if you have access to camping equipment and can get free on our concert weekends. Sneak out early from work on the Friday, get some steaks, get your trailer or tent set up at Kamp Modoc (765-853-5290), cook out at BYOM at the Winery, playing croquet, drinking Midnight Red, find your way back to camp. Picnic for lunch at the winery on Sat. then clean up at camp, come back for the concert which the n the Randolph Writers sell their food for your supper and pack up Sun and go home.

Yeah! The winery is open again and have we got a great season with great wines and great fun!

Mushroom Day Sat. May 3rd 1-6

Release of our new wines, mushroom snacks, special concert ticket sales (all 4 shows-\$30), Celtic Band at 2pm, croquet and lots of smiles at seeing old friends and making new ones

Schedule for 2008

5/3 Mushroom Day 1-6pm

5/30 BYOM with Bluegrass music

6/14 Stars and Chard-Astronomy with release of our Chardonnay-7to? No charge

6/28 Gene Deer Concert, gates open at 7, lawn seating, show at 8:30, food available

7/12 Grills Gone Wild Youth football league BBQ contest, \$ charge, 4-8 pm & band

7/18 BYOM Life with John on the john

7/19 Jennie Devoe Concert, gates open at 7, lawn seating, show at 8:30, food available

8/02 Indy Dance Troope, old world folk dancing, lawn seating, 6-11pm gate charge

8/09 Cook and Belle Concert, gates open at 7, lawn seating, starts 8:30, food available

8/15 BYOM-Jimmy Buffet Night and burger contest

8/23 Duke Tumatoe Concert, gates open at 7, lawn seating, show at 8:30, food available

9/26 BYOM-Cowboy Night, John cooks a 20lb roast, last year we ran out of meat, so bring your own just in case.

9/27 Fall Follies, Blue Grass band, magicians, ham and beans, cornbread contest, and the follies, 3-11pm No Charge!

10/25 Shiraz Private Barrel Tasting and sale, hors d'oeuvres, \$7 with reservations, and \$10 at the door. 7pm

11/08 Holiday Open House, release of holiday wines, snacks, cheesecake contest and prizes 1-6pm

Open Christmas Week, Dec 26-27-28-29-30, 1-6 pm

Friday night B.Y.O.M Best kept secret is in east central Ind. Is the summer at the Winery Cook your meat on our heat and what ever else you like to eat and come to the winery for an evening of fun with our wine. Tell all your friends about the cook out, outside music, croquet, where else could you go for food and fun, Surprise your wife with a couple of steaks and a trip to the Winery, great time for a girls night out, get all your co worker and meet and eat at the winery. Better yet, own your own business, buy steaks for all your employees and do some company bonding out in the country.

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2008 Schedule

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
April – open Weekends 1-6 pm		1	2	3 Am Wine club	4	6
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Poetry Farmland	25	26
27	28	29	30			
May			1 Am Wine Club	2	3 Mushroom Day	
4	5	6	7	8	9 BYOM	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 BYOM	17 Taste party
18	19	20	21	22	23 BYOM	24
25	26	27	28	29 Poets at Winery	30 byom and Bluegrass	31
June 1	2	3	4	5 Am Wine Club	6 BYOM	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 BYOM	14 stars & Chard release party
15	16	17	18	19	20 BYOM	21
22	23	24	25	26 Poets at Winery	27 BYOM	28 Gene Deer
29	30					
July		1	2	3 Am Wine Club	4 BYOM	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 BYOM	12 Grills gone wild
13	14	15	16	17	18 Life by John	19 Jennie Devoe
20	21	22	23	24	25 BYOM	26
27	28	29	30	31 Poets at Winery		
August					1 BYOM	2 Indy dance
3	4	5	6	7 Am Wine Club	8 BYOM	9 Cook and Bell
10	11	12	13	14	15 Jimi Buffet nite	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 BYOM	23 Duke Tomato
24	25	26	27	28 Poets at Winery	29 BYOM	30
31						
September		1	2	3	4 Am Wine Club	5 BYOM
7	8	9	10	11	12 BYOM	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 BYOM	20
21	22	23	24	25 Poets at Winery	26	27 Fall Follies
28	29	30				
October			1	2 Am Wine Club	3 Byom and Cowboy night	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Cards & pitch in	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 Cards & pitch in	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Cards & pitch in	25
26	27	28	29	30 Poets at Winery	31 Cards & pitch in	
November						1 Private Barrel Tasting
2	3	4	5	6 Am Wine Club & Winchester CCdinner	7 Cards & pitch in	8 Holiday Open House
9	10	11	12	13	14 Cards & pitch in	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Love of Grapes	22
23	24	25	26	27 Poets at Winery	28 Cards & pitch in	29
30						
December		1	2 Farmland X walk	3	4 Am Wine Club	5 Cards & pitch in
7	8	9	10	11	12 Cards & pitch in	13
14	15	16	17	18 Poets at Winery	19 Cards & pitch in	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	January		

Check web for new additions, private event will be shown. This is how it is looks when we start up. Who works could change as the season wears John and Jim out.