



## Chapter of the Enological Society of the Pacific Northwest

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### A Case of the Blues



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A Case of the Blues and All That Jazz is a blues and jazz festival benefiting the community through the Yakima Greenway Foundation and Junior League of Yakima. Held each August since 1993 in Sarg Hubbard Park, the festival features blues and jazz music, award-winning local wines and microbrews, a delicious array of foods and desserts, and a silent auction.

Tickets are **\$35 in advance** (\$40 day of event) and are now on sale through the Greenway office (call 509-453-8280 or stop by the office in Sarg Hubbard Park), the Yakima Greenway website, and any Junior League of Yakima member. Tickets may be purchased over the phone using a Visa or MasterCard, and will be mailed to you until a week before the event. After this date, tickets will be held at will call. Ticket price includes admission, souvenir beer or wine glass, five scrip (used to purchase food and drink), and entertainment.

Fred Quitta has created another beautiful [art poster](#) for A Case of the Blues & All That Jazz. The original artwork will be up for bid in our silent auction and prints are currently on sale at the Greenway office for \$30.

The event is reserved for those 21 and over only. **Please remember to bring your ID as they will be checked**

**at the entrance.**

All food and drink inside the event is purchased with scrip rather than cash. Vendors are not able to accept cash. Five scrip tickets come with each admission and it is sold at several locations inside the event for \$1 per ticket. Outside food and drink are not allowed, nor are coolers.

You are welcome to bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on the grass. There is some non-reserved seating in the Bistro area. We also have tables for eight in our VIP tent available for purchase. A \$600 Blues table includes entry to the event for eight people, VIP parking passes, an hors d'oeuvres tray, certificates for two bottles of wine of your choice, a beer or wine glass and five scrip (used to purchase food or drink) for each person, table centerpiece, and a commemorative group photo. A \$1,200 Jazz table includes entry to the event for eight people, front row seating in the VIP tent, VIP parking passes, an hors d'oeuvres tray and a dessert tray, certificates for three bottles of wine of your choice, a beer or wine glass and five scrip (used to purchase food or drink) for each person, table centerpiece, and a commemorative group photo. For more details contact the Greenway office (509-453-8280).

*"Check out the website to view photos from several Society Events!"*

We're on the web!  
[www.yakimawine.org](http://www.yakimawine.org)

### July Tasting in Review

We began the evening with the music of **The Blue Tropics** and two greeting wines, **Gray Monk Chardonnay** (a non-oaked wine that feels rich because of a higher residual sugar content) and **Snoqualmie Cirque Du Rose'** -- a very fruity rose' with an off dry finish.

The menu for the evening was served buffet style and featured a New Orleans theme. Assorted cheeses, fruits, salads, Jambalaya, BBQ shrimp, andouille sausage, red beans/rice and desserts.

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## President's Corner

I am curious why last year we had a waiting list for the July event at the Arboretum and this year we had one-third fewer attend. The question is of such interest to YES board members that we would like you to let us know the answer to the question. You can email me at [jdibari@charter.net](mailto:jdibari@charter.net) to give your feedback. We would like to hear from those who did attend and those who did not. A great big thank you to **Peggy Briskey** and her committee for putting on another very nice evening.

The Board is also interested in knowing if there may be a venue/winery/wine area that the membership would like to have as an emphasis for a wine tasting. Please send a note to the email address or drop a note in the mail to the PO Box.

In August we will not have a YES tasting but encourage our members to attend the **Case of the Blues and All That Jazz** at the Greenway. See the article in this newsletter. It is a fun time and the music is usually quite good.

In September, **Scott Summers** and his committee are planning a tasting of South African wines. I am a big fan of these wines from the West Cape which I have found to be of very high quality and a great value. Please put the September tasting on your calendar, it will be a good one.

Have a great summer and see you in September.

*John DiBari  
President, YES*

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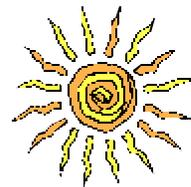


Four more wines were added for the attendees enjoyment: **Yellow Hawk Cellar 2004 Muscat Canelli** -- this surprising dry-style Muscat has the best of Muscat without the sweetness. Tropical aromas of jasmine and honeysuckle are followed by crisp, clean citrus notes along with asian pear and tart apple. **Waterbrook Melange** -- a blend of four grapes: Cabernet Sauvignon, Sangiovese, Syrah and Cabernet Franc. Very smooth and rich (rated 90 by the Wine Spectator of the top 100 wines for 2004). **Maryhill Zinfandel** and **Thurston Wolfe Zinfandel** --wines that blend well with spicy foods, great BBQ, and Cajun style cooking.

Special recognition and appreciation to the fol-

lowing committee members: **Jim and Sally Baldwin, Cheryl Latendresse, Peggy Simpson, Kelly Crabb, Julie and Chuck Johnson, Siri Strom, Kathy Michielsen, Jeannette Witham, Shaunna and Jerry Kobes , Bev and Johnnie Warren, Judy and John DiBari.** Thanks to all those who poured and others who stayed to help with clean-up .

*Peggy Briskey*



## Calendar of Upcoming Events

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| Aug 20th  | <b>Case of The Blues</b><br>Sarg Hubbard Park        |
| Sept 14th | <b>Wines of South Africa</b><br>Yakima Valley Museum |

## New YES Members

The Yakima Enological Society extends a warm welcome to our newest members: **Michael and Lucy McSharry, Paul and Bea Soderstrom, Steve and Robin McVicker, Mary Sellon and David Huycke.**

*David Lynx*

## Local Wine Events

Aug 1 - **Bob's Keg and Cork** welcomes **Kay Simon** and **Clay Mackey** of **Chinook Winery**. Appetizers, 6:30 PM, \$25, reservations preferred to 573-3691.

Aug 14 - **Food & Wine Cooking Class** at **Windy Point Vineyards**. Join us for a special cooking class that starts by meeting **Chef Big John Caudill** at the **Yakima Farmer's Market** to pick out the day's freshest produce for your dinner. Travel back to our Tasting Room to see what kind of delectables you and John can prepare from your purchases. Sample Windy Point wines while enjoying your cooking experience. Wine will also be available for purchase with dinner. \$55 per person--full ticket price must be prepaid. 509-877-6824.

Aug 22 - **Diva Indulge Night** at **The Wine Shop of Yakima**. Bubbles and Bubbly with The Little Soap Maker, **Julie Brown** as our guest. Champagne, sparkling wines, hors d'oeuvres and chocolate. 7-9 PM, \$15, ladies only, 972-2811.

Aug 27 - **Summer Tapas** at **Silver Lake Winery**. Al fresco dining with guest chef and YES member **Jessica Smith**. Seven-course "small bite" menu with complementary wine pairings. 6:00 PM, \$40, 829-6235 for reservations. Credit cards not accepted.

Aug 28 - **Red Wine Appreciation Class** at **The Wine Shop of Yakima**. Learn how to evaluate the quality and character of red wines. We will be tasting Merlot, Pinot Noir, Syrah, and Cabernet Sauvignon paired with complementary foods. Participants will receive a wine appreciation kit (couples share), a Riedel red wine glass, and your choice of one of the red wines we evaluate (couples share). \$100 per person/\$125 per couple, 1:30 to 4:30pm, 972-2811.



Mike Libbee



## Wines from Yakima Visit Oregon

Twenty-five wineries from the Yakima Valley will visit Oregon on August 8 for the first-ever **Wine Yakima Valley Portland** wine tasting event at the **World Forestry Center**. The participating wineries ask that YES members help them out by passing the word to your friends in the Portland area.

The general public tasting is \$35.00 per person, and includes light appetizers. 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Purchase tickets online at [www.wineyakimavalley.org](http://www.wineyakimavalley.org) or send checks to:

Wine Yakima Valley  
c/o Wine Events & Promotions  
9518 4th Ave. NE  
Seattle, WA 98115

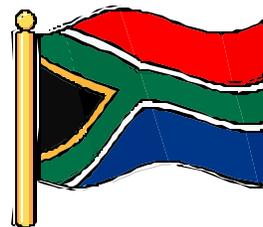
Please RSVP via email to [winlover99@comcast.net](mailto:winlover99@comcast.net) or call 1-866-501-3881 before sending your check or paying online. Tickets must be paid in advance.

Mike Libbee

## September - Into South Africa

Plan on attending an evening of South African wines and cuisine at the Yakima Valley Museum in September. This tasting should rival our previous fall visits to Italy and South America.

Scott Summers



**Please submit info., articles, or recipes to:**  
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Have a great  
summer!



## Case of the Blues

## Sarg Hubbard Park

**Event: Saturday, August 20, 2005 - 3:00-11:00pm**

Cost is \$35.00 in advance or \$40.00 the day of the event.

See article on page 1 for Event Information.

## **You Don't Do Email Yet?**



Would you like to read YES newsletters as soon as they are completed without waiting for them to come in the mail? Would you like to be able to look up wine sales and events anywhere on the internet? Would you like to receive notice of upcoming YES events?

You can sign up for free email accounts at any of the 19 libraries in the Yakima Valley Regional Library system throughout the valley. Employees are available to help people set up accounts and learn how to use the internet. Classes are also offered regularly to help you learn how to use computers, email and the internet.

*Monica Weyhe*