



## Chapter of the Enological Society of the Pacific Northwest

Newsletter Date: April 29, 2005

### Local Flavors

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

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

RIGHT IN OUR OWN BACKYARD!!!! Local flavors will be featured at the May 11th tasting at the Yakima Valley Museum. Three of the downtown wineries (*Yakima Cellars, Kana and Donitelia*) along with *Selah Heights* will be pouring for this event. **Mike Clark**, from *Selah Heights Winery*, will introduce **Kaleidoscope**, their premiere white blend. *Phil Cline*, of *Yakima Cellars*, will talk to us about **Red Willow Vineyards Sangiovese** and **Syrah**, and we will enjoy **Dark Star** and **Red Willow Zinfandel** while visiting with **Palmer Wright** and **Catherine Virgil** of *Kana Winery*. **Mark Maiocco** will be on hand to share **Pinot Grigio** and **Elderling Vineyards Sangiovese** from *Donitelia*.

To complement these wonderful local wines, we have asked our local *Essencia Artisan Bakery* to providing the appetizers for this event.

Nope, it's not just an urban legend—there really are handful of wineries located in the downtown Yakima area. Come and find out what they have, who

they are and what, when and where they pour. Help promote the idea of "Yakima. Buy into it!"



**Date:** Wed, May 11th, 2005

**Place:** Yakima Valley Museum  
2105 Tieton Drive

**Time:** **6:30 P.M.** Check In, greeting wine  
**7:00 P.M.** Wine Tasting Begins

**Cost:** \$22.00 Members  
\$27.00 Guests  
\$17 Member non-drinkers

**Bring: 2 Wine Glasses**

Postmarked by **Friday, May 6th**.  
Phone calls only on **Monday, May 9th**  
to **Marie Clark, 697-3364**.

*David Lynx*

### Maryhill Winery in June

Coming in June, a tasting from the Columbia Gorge! **Maryhill Winery** is fast becoming one of the premier wineries in the State. It certainly has a premier location! It has been difficult to coordinate a tasting in the past since the winery is so busy. However, **Linda Derrickson**, Special Events Coordinator at Maryhill has agreed to come to Yakima and do a tasting for Y. E. S. members. Mark your calendars for June 8. This is one tasting you won't want to miss.

*Julie Johnson*

### April in Review

A good time was had by one and all at the **Larson Gallery** on April 13<sup>th</sup>. **Patricia O'Brien** and **George Schneider** introduced the members and guests to the wines of **VineHeart** in Prosser. A reminder to everyone that **Deep Sea Deli** has the wines from **VineHeart** for sale in their shop at a 10% discount.

The YES members voted on a \$100 prize for one of the photographs in the

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## President's Corner

I hope everyone got out and sampled from the barrel during the Spring Barrel Tasting at the wineries in the Yakima Valley. There were quite a few special events happening at the wineries during the weekend.

I want to welcome **Gerry Perryman** to the board of the Enological Society. He has accepted the position which became available when **Donna Hill** passed away. We now have a full board membership.

The May tasting will feature wineries from the upper Yakima Valley – **Selah Heights, Kana, Donatelia and Yakima Cellars**. The new releases from these wineries will be showcased at the event on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Museum.

See you there!

*John DiBari*  
President

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exhibit as a YES Members Choice Award.

Many thanks to the staff of the Larson Gallery, and to the tasting committee members who helped put on a very nice wine tasting: **Bev & Johnny Warren, Chuck & Julie Johnson, Mike Harves & Wilma Dulin, Hans & Kathy Michielsen and Paul Vandenberg.**

*John DiBari*

**Happy  
Mother's Day!**

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

May 11th	<b>Local Flavors</b> Yakima Valley Museum
June 8th	<b>Maryhill Winery</b> TBA
June 25th	<b>Sunshine &amp; Wine</b> Central WA Fair Grounds

## Local Wine Events

May 4 - **Wineglass Cellars at The Barrel House**. Join **David and Linda Lowe** and sample some of the finest wines in the valley. 6-8 PM, \$25, RSVP recommended to 453-3769.

May 14-15 - **Weekend of Wine and Roses at Windy Point Vineyards**. Welcome Spring with the bloom of our beautiful rose gardens overlooking the valley. Wine-tasting with specially paired appetizers and the release of our 02 Estate Syrah and 02 Estate Cab. Live music. \$5.00 admission fee.



May 16 - **Walla Walla Vintners at Bob's Keg and Cork**. Wine, appetizers, fun. \$25, 6:30, RSVP preferred to Bob.

May 24 - **Windy Point Vineyards at Carousel French Cuisine**. Join owners/winemakers Mike and Liz Stepniewski for a fabulous seven course dinner at Yakima's top restaurant. Chef Gerard has prepared a wonderful menu (including Salmon with Crab Meat and Lamb Tenders) that we will pair with current and new releases from Windy Point. 6:00 PM, \$65, RSVP to Carousel at 248-6720 or online at [www.carouseifc.com](http://www.carouseifc.com).

June 25 - **Sunshine & Wine** is scheduled for Saturday June 25, 2005 beginning at 2:00pm at the Central Washington State Fairgrounds in Yakima.

*Mike Libbee*

## Busty Blush Release

**Claar Cellars** will release its Rose' Table Wine, known as "Busty Blush," on Mothers' Day weekend at the tasting room in Zillah. The winery will once again donate five dollars from each bottle sold to the **Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center** in support of breast cancer research.

Last year, sales of Busty Blush netted over \$3000 in donations. Renowned artist **Dixie Rogerson-Bill** donated the art for the Busty Blush label, which is available by email from the winery.

*Mike Libbee*

## Northwest Wine Events

**Okanagan Spring Wine Festival**, May 5-8, Okanagan Valley, B.C. More than 100 events over four days highlight this annual festival in B.C. wine country. Call 250-861-6654 or go to [thewinefestivals.com](http://thewinefestivals.com).

**Spring Barrel Tasting**, May 6-8, Spokane, Wash. Spokane's 10 wineries open their doors for this annual event. Call 509-927-9463.

**Winemaker Dinner: Patricia Green**, May 14, Astoria, Ore. This dinner with The Cellar on 10th and Silver Salmon Grille costs \$85. Call 503-325-6600.

**McCrea Cellars Wine Dinner**, May 17, Boise, Idaho. This eight-course dinner features the incredible food of Andrae's and the outstanding Rhone varieties of McCrea Cellars. Location: Andrae's Restaurant. Hours: 6:30-10 p.m. Cost: \$125 per person. For more info, call 208-385-0707 or e-mail [info@andraesboise.com](mailto:info@andraesboise.com).

**Wine Odyssey: Que Sera, Syrah**, May 20, Ellensburg, Wash. This Central Washington University World Wine Program class will feature Syrahs from Washington and around the world. Call 509-963-1504 for more info.

**Winemaker Dinner: Barnard Griffin**, May 21, Astoria, Ore. This dinner with The Cellar on 10th and Silver Salmon Grille costs \$85. Call 503-325-6600.

**Sokol Blosser**, May 26-28, Lake Oswego, Ore. Sokol Blosser will feature a tasting at Oswego Wine Co. at 449 B Ave., Lake Oswego. Dinner and appetizers also are available. Location: Oswego Wine Co. Hours: 5-9 p.m. Cost: \$10. For more info, call 503-635-2112.

These and more events at [www.winepressnw.com](http://www.winepressnw.com).

*Charlena Paschen*

## Red Grape/White Grape

Were you surprised to learn that Cabernet Sauvignon grapes are a cross between Cabernet Franc and Sauvignon Blanc (thank goodness for cross varietal evolution, huh?), or are you just hearing about this for the first time?



Scientists refer to this as crossing a black-skinned grape with a white-skinned grape and note that black- or red-skinned grapes owe their color to a group of red pigments known as anthocyanins. Well, now they know why - scientists from Japan believe that they have uncovered the ancient genetic mutation through DNA analysis.

If you'd like a little more detail, please go to this internet address for a read of the "Grape-Colour Conundrum Solved by Scientists" article by Jamie Goode at **Harpers** website: <http://www.harpers-wine.com/newsitem.cfm?NewsID=1492>. There is also a detailed version of the study in the leading scientific journal **Science**.

*Mike Libbee*



## Platinum III Photos

The Platinum III tasting was once again a success. If you would like to view pictures of this event, by the time you read this article, you will find them on the website at [www.yakimawine.org](http://www.yakimawine.org).

Y.E.S. member Steve Weaver took some wonderful photographs. For anyone interested in getting copies, he will have them available for purchase.

*Mike Libbee*

**Please submit info., articles, or recipes to:**

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May 2005

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Happy Mother's  
Day!



**Local Flavors**

**Yakima Valley Museum**

**Deadline: Postmarked by Friday, May 6th, 2005**

**Event: Wednesday, May 11th, 2005 6:30 PM**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Members: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$22.00 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Members: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$27.00 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Drinkers: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$17.00 = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL Enclosed:** \$

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please give your e-mail address if you would like to receive future issues of the newsletter via e-mail.

If you would like to help with the tasting, please select one of the following:

- Set Up                       Food Prep                       Registration
- Greeter                       Pourer                       Clean Up

Please clip & mail with your check to:

Yakima Enological Society - P.O. Box 2395, Yakima, WA 98907  
**All Reservations must be paid for in advance and are NON REFUNDABLE!**

