



LODI AMATEUR VINTNERS ASSOCIATION

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November 2009

2009 LAVA Officers and Committee Chairs

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LAVA Meeting Minutes of November 19th, 2009

Lodi Wine and Visitor Center

Call to order/introductions (Don and Marwedell Norman): Don opened the meeting. Marwedell introduced 7 guests.

Approval of Minutes (Don Norman): The minutes from our October, 2009 meeting (published on LAVA's Web page and available for review) was moved for approval, seconded and approved by members present.

Treasurer's Report (Don Norman): It was reported that our balance through October, 2009 was \$5956.02. The report was approved by members present.

Winemaking Calendar (Don Norman and Ted Lauchland)

- In the Cellar: Racking, Cleaning, Bottling, Check SO₂ levels.
- In the Vineyard: Drain irrigation systems to prevent freezing. Drop hanging fruit.

Old Business:

- Mentor Program (Don Norman) more Lava "Wine Making Made Easy" binders will be published. All members who received binders, please contact Marwedell Norman. Marwedell will keep a list for updating the material.
- New equipment (Don Norman) LAVA members saved \$225 by utilizing our recently purchased SO₂ tester.
- LAVA shirts (Aaron Kidder) ordered shirts are available, contact Aaron. A new order will be placed after the 1st of the year.
- Glass (Jerry Manzel) There may be short notice for our next donated glass order. Decide now how many cases you will need. Jerry will send a letter of appreciation to Owens-Illinois for the donated glass.
- Sandhill Crane Field Trip (Mamie Starr) Mamie reported a nice evening with cooperative birds, and gave "Thanks" to all that participated.

New Business:

- 2009 Year (Don Norman) Don gave a recap of the current year reporting that LAVA has increased membership, bought new equipment, continued the Mentor Program, published the "Wine Making Made Easy" guides, and received donated glass. Don also explained the various events and educational meetings LAVA regularly holds.
- Club Dues are due in Jan. 2010 - \$50 per membership. You will receive a Wine Maker magazine subscription with your membership.
- 2010 Chairpersons will be needed for the following:
 - Zinfest
 - Bocci League (to contact & encourage local wineries to form teams for league competition)
 - Summer Barbecue
 - Taste of Lodi
 - New Equipment Investigator (to find and recommend new equipment purchases)

Announcements, Upcoming Events:

- Nov 21&22...Macchia Fall Release Party
- Nov 28... Rotary Rocks for World of Wonder
- Dec 2... Wine & Visitor Center Wine Down, wine and hors d'oeuvres
- Dec 4... First Friday Art Hop, d'Art at Hutchin's St Square
- Dec 5&6...d'Art "Bottle Your Own Wine"
- Dec 12... Heritage Oak, "Christmas Open House", noon to 7PM

Program: Nouveau wines and wonderful foods were presented by LAVA members to the delectation of all present. Thanks to everyone who came to this enjoyable event. Happy Holidays!

Next Meeting: January 21st, 2010. This will be the initial planning meeting to set the calendar for 2010. Please email your suggestions to Don Norman for meeting/event ideas. Time and location of meeting to be announced.