



# **LODI AMATEUR VINTNERS ASSOCIATION**

Organized April 2001

**February 2009**

## **2009 LAVA Officers and Committee Chairs**

President	Donald Norman	368-6735
Vice President	Kevin Baysinger	334-9012
Treasurer	Rich Rostomily	339-7302
Recording Secretary	Ozzie Neal	727-3080

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## **Chairpersons**

Library Manager	Dave Ingram	931-4260
Membership	Marwedell Norman	368-6735
Sunshine	Joan Schweickardt	333-1863
Banquet	Anu Rai	369-7400
S.J. Wine Competition	Jim Schweickart	333-1863
LAVA Shirts	Anu Rai	369-7400
California State Fair Wine Competition	Aaron Kidder	727-0761

## **Chairpersons needed for the following**

Summer Barbeque  
2009 Equipment to purchase



## LAVA Meeting Minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 DANCING FOX WINERY AND BAKERY

1. **Call to order/Introductions (Don and Marwedell Norman):** The Meeting was called to order by President Don Norman who gave “Thanks” to Colleen and Gregg Lewis for hosting our meeting at their beautiful winery and bakery, The Dancing Fox. Marwedell introduced a new member: Lee Smith – Welcome to LAVA, Lee and Sherry.
2. **Approval of Minutes (Don Norman):** The minutes of our January, 2009 meeting (published on our WEB page and available for review) was moved for approval, seconded and approved by the members present.
3. **Treasurer’s Report (Rich Rostomily):** Rich reported that our ending balance, at the end of January, 2009 was \$6560.22. The report was approved by the members present.
4. **Winemaking Calendar (Don Norman and Ted Lauchland):** In the cellar – Topping off barrels, check SO<sub>2</sub>. In the vineyard – Petite Sirah and like varieties that are sensitive to early spring diseases caused by rain should be pruned now to help delay growth, and condition the ground to help protect against frost as soon as wet conditions permit.
5. **Calendar Review (Kevin Baysinger):** Our next meeting will be at Woodbridge Uncorked. The LAVA 2009 meeting and event calendar will be finalized and available.
6. **Old Business:**
  - a. Club Glass: Write checks to John Bischoff to pay for the glass ordered. Gregg Lewis still has an inventory of glass at The Dancing Fox. Please pick up your glass. 366-2634  
[grapegrower53@aol.com](mailto:grapegrower53@aol.com)  
John will be willing to make another purchase of glass if more members put in orders. 368-5646  
[jb@nearsierra.com](mailto:jb@nearsierra.com)
  - b. LAVA Banquet (Anu Rai): Mar 7<sup>th</sup> is the date for the banquet. Please make checks out to LAVA. Bring an appetizer and a gift to raffle.
  - c. LAVA Shirts (Anu Rai): Polo and T style shirts may be available \$17-20, March sign up.
  - d. Lodi International Wine Awards (Linda Kidder): Sponsored by Tokay Rotary, World-wide wines, March 9<sup>th</sup> –full day of work, with lunch provided– we need volunteers, @Hutchins St. Square
  - e. Club Equipment (Don Norman/Ted Lauchland): After considerable discussion, Fred Fickert was elected to manage the equipment. LAVA would like to thank all members who expressed interest or volunteered for this important task.  
A chairperson is needed to investigate purchasing new club equipment.
7. **New Business:**
  - a. Dave Ingram requested funds for club magazine subscriptions and publications.  
The current LAVA Library List is on the LAVA website - go to MEMBER LIBRARY!
  - b. Club Equipment: (Don Norman/Ted Lauchland): Club will investigate buying a trailer to store and move equip. – consider cost of trailer- \$1500-2500, insurance (Jerry Manzel will talk to Agent)
  - c. SJ County Fair Competition (Jim Schweickardt) June 5<sup>th</sup> @ Woodbridge Winery  
Application form online @ [sanjoaquinfair.com](http://sanjoaquinfair.com) or go directly to the entry form:  
[http://www.sanjoaquinfair.com/pdf\\_files/entry\\_forms/wine\\_entry\\_form.pdf](http://www.sanjoaquinfair.com/pdf_files/entry_forms/wine_entry_form.pdf)  
\$6 /bottle fee (club will comp 1<sup>st</sup> bottle fee for members who have not participated before),  
Entries can be delivered to Schweickardt residence: 2335 Woodlake Cr. Lodi ph 333-1863  
[jimjoan1960@att.net](mailto:jimjoan1960@att.net)



8. **Announcements and Upcoming Events:**
  - a. LAVA Banquet – March 7<sup>th</sup>, @ 5:30 PM
  - b. Mar 17<sup>th</sup> – Deadline, Winemaker International Amateur Competition.
  - c. Apr 15<sup>th</sup> – Deadline Gulf Coast Amateur Competition.
  - d. May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Deadline San Joaquin County Fair Amateur Competition.
  - e. Zinfest – Kevin Baysinger to chair – Mid-May event – fundraiser for LAVA
  - f. California State Fair – Aaron Kidder to chair – July
  
9. **Program:** (Kevin Baysinger): The Vice-President gave a thorough history of the Appellation Geographic Designation of wines.  
Members present then selected desirable programs for the 2009 LAVA calendar.
  
10. **Next Meeting:** Our next meeting will be March 19<sup>th</sup> at Woodbridge Uncorked.

**Adjournment:** Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.