



LODI AMATEUR VINTNERS ASSOCIATION

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March 2009

2009 LAVA Officers and Committee Chairs

President	Donald Norman	368-6735
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Library Manager	Dave Ingram	931-4260
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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
Captains to assist with State Fair Competition – contact Aaron & Linda Kidder



LAVA Meeting Minutes of March 19th, 2009

Woodbridge Uncorked

1. **Call to order/Introductions (Kevin Baysinger and Maria Neal):** The Meeting was called to order by Vice-President Kevin Baysinger who gave “Thanks” to Woodbridge Uncorked for providing our meeting place. Maria introduced new members Lis and John Walkin, and guest Judy Coffaro: – Welcome to LAVA.
2. **Approval of Minutes (Kevin Baysinger):** The minutes of our February, 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 February, 2009 was \$6,349. The report was approved by the members present.
4. **Winemaking Calendar (Kevin and Ted Lauchland):** In the cellar – Fining, Racking, Topping off barrels, Check SO₂. In the vineyard – Frost may still be a danger, especially after a cold storm passes through. Condition soils in anticipation of frost after these storms.
5. **Calendar Review (Kevin Baysinger):** Our April meeting will be at Heritage Oak Winery – Craig Rous Analysis. Lodi Spring Wine Show Mar. 27th & 28th - The 29th Annual Lodi Spring Wine Show will be held from 6:00 pm – 9:00 p.m. each night in the Ole Mettler Grape Pavilion on the Lodi Grape Festival grounds.
6. **Old Business:**
 - a. Club Glass: (Ozzie Neal) John Bischoff will be willing to make another purchase of glass, if glass is available and more members put in orders. 368-5646 jb@nearsierra.com
 - b. LAVA Banquet (Anu Rai): Thanks to Anu, Aaron, all those that helped out, and everyone who donated a raffle prize for the banquet.
 - c. LAVA Shirts (Anu Rai): Polo and T shirts, grey and green colors, will be available. A potential vender requested a new LAVA logo. Frank Haversack will investigate the rights to our original logo, if we have a receipt of purchase available. Rich Rostomily will check for receipt. When shirt design is established, a signup list will be distributed via email.
 - d. Lodi International Wine Awards (Aaron Kidder): Sponsored by Tokay Rotary, March 9th, 103 wineries were represented with 450 wines submitted. Some Lodi wineries won awards, including Macchia and Van-Ruiten. Award results are posted on the web. Lodiwineawards.com
 - e. Club Equipment (Fred Fickert/Ted Lauchland/Jerry Manzel): Cost of a 10’ enclosed lockable trailer \$1950, cost to insure the trailer and club equipment \$400-\$500 per year. The issue of buying a trailer is tabled for one month. As an alternative to a trailer, Fred and Jerry will look into the cost of a storage unit. Anu Rai has knowledge of a trailer that is a potential buy for the club.
A chairperson is needed to investigate purchasing new club equipment.
 - f. SJ County Fair Competition (Jim Schweickardt) June 5th @ Woodbridge Winery
Application form online @ sanjoaquinfair.com or go directly to the entry form:
http://www.sanjoaquinfair.com/pdf_files/entry_forms/wine_entry_form.pdf
\$6 /bottle fee (club will comp 1st 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 Jim still needs volunteers to help!



7. **New Business:**

- a. Dave Ingram announced that the club has purchased 3 new books and some publications for the LAVA Library. Titles to be posted on LAVA webpage. This is a great time to utilize this resource, before we get busy with the fall crush.
- b. State Fair Competition – July (Aaron Kidder) Aaron needs 80 people to help with this event. Aaron will handle organization and data, Linda will coordinate volunteers. Responsibilities will be divided among separate committees. Two Captains for specific functions are still needed.

8. **Announcements and Upcoming Events:**

- a. Apr 15th – Deadline Gulf Coast Amateur Competition.
- b. May 23rd – Deadline San Joaquin County Fair Amateur Competition.
- c. Zinfest – Kevin Baysinger to chair – Mid-May event – fundraiser for LAVA
- d. California State Fair – Aaron Kidder to chair – July

9. **Program:** (Kevin Baysinger): Kevin introduced Chad Joseph, winemaker at Harmony Wynelands. Chad did a presentation covering PH, nature's preservative. He touched on yeast nutrients, acids, harvest brix and the importance of planning your wines. Chad took numerous questions and comments from members.

10. **Next Meeting:** Our next meeting will be April 16th at Heritage Oak Winery.

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