



Meeting Minutes of September 20th, 2007 (The Cellar Door – David Phillips)

1. **Call to order/Introductions:** Members arrived at the “Cellar Door” in downtown Lodi at around 7:00pm, and the meeting began soon after. Susan Tipton introduced guest Maridel Stonum, and friends of the Tipton’s: Jim & Gail Crossen (from Chicago). WELCOME!
2. **Approval of minutes (Aaron Kidder):** The minutes of our August, 2007 meeting (published on our WEB page) were moved for approval, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.
3. **Treasurer’s Report (Aaron Kidder):** Rich Rostomily reminded the membership that the Treasurer’s report is now being published on the WEB page. Ending Balance as of September 18th was \$2,061.59. The report was moved for approval, seconded, and approved by unanimous vote.
4. **Winemaking Calendar:**
Fermentation is most likely in progress, watch ML. Check SO2 levels making additions if necessary.
5. **Calendar Update (Don Norman):** Don Norman started his discussion by reciting his monthly quote:
(Thanks Don!)
6. **Unfinished Business:**
 - *Additional Equipment (Jerry Manzel):* The new 5-port bottler was ordered, and Mamie Starr has offered to travel to Napa Fermentation to pick up for the club. (Thanks Mamie).
 - *Joint Crush (Club Project- Aaron Kidder):* Aaron explained that several members cancelled, and he decided to cancel this year’s event. He will revisit next year.
 - *Taste of Lodi (Kevin Baysinger):* Kevin reminded the membership about the event, and explained that Ozzie and his wife Marie would be manning the booth. Aaron committed to assist Ozzie in getting additional tickets for others who might want to help Ozzie with this event.
7. **New Business:**
 - *Annual LAVA Banquet (Aaron Kidder):* We still need a Chairperson. Anyone interested? If so – please LET US KNOW!
 - *Is there still interest in a Bus Trip? (Aaron Kidder):* Aaron asked if there was enough interest in a potential “field trip” to pursue this as an event. The membership didn’t respond. I guess not.
8. **Announcements & Upcoming Events:**
 - LAVA Shirts for sale – **NOW: \$12.00 each** – contact Linda Kidder.
 - Be sure to check out our LIBRARY (now listed online at our WEB site). Contact Dave Ingram. (Note – we are now taking Practical Winery & Vineyards Periodical!)
 - September 30th – Taste of Lodi
 - October 6th * 7th – Amador Wine Country BIG CRUSH!
9. **Program: Annual Food & Wine Pairing**
David Phillips gave a fantastic talk on what it takes (and means) to “Go Pro”. Thanks David!
10. **Next meeting:** Our next meeting will be October 18th, 2007; 7:00pm; Heritage Oak Winery (Tom Hoffman’s new Winery!). Tom will be hosting a program on “Wine Spectator Magazine” Parallel tasting. (Bring a Glass and a Chair) DON’T MISS IT!