

## Summer 2011 News



### Thursday July 21st Blues and BBQ!!!!

Meet and taste Lakeville's new 3 Legged Pig BBQ and listen to some great blues from

**Boogiemen Unplugged!!!  
Band 6-8pm**

**Food starts at 5pm**

(the music is free, the food is great but not free)

Thursday night music continues with:

July 28th (6-8pm)  
Lisa Winter

August 4th (6-8pm)  
John Hopf (6-8)

August 11th (6-8pm)  
Midlife Crisis

August 18th (7-9pm)  
Future's Past

August 25th (6-8pm)  
Lisa Winter

(Food will be available at some of the concerts, please call ahead)

### Liberty Balloons



### Having a Blast at the Winery!!!

With a rocky start to the year behind us, this year has been great so far!!! The summer music series is growing, more than we thought it would, and our customer response has been fantastic.

We want to thank all of our employees for their help in making this year a great success. Our staff would like to thank all of you, our customers, for a wonderful showing at our events so far and for making this year so notable!!!

Big thanks to Renee's Catering and Twisters Ice Cream from Livonia for their great foods at our music events. Also huge thanks to the musicians we have hosted so far:

Mid-Life Crisis (coming back August 11th)

John Hopf (coming back August 4th)

Pat and Rosie Maloney (2 shows so far)

Futures Past (coming back August 18th)

and Dave McGrath (another show is in the works)

Thank you, to everyone, this summer has been incredible, and it's only July!!!! There is so much more to come...

### Winery Updates:

Well, the vines were pruned, the fertilizer spread, weeds are under control, last year's harvest was bottled, awards have been won, music has been played, farmer's markets have started, lots of wine has been sold and consumed, and new faces have started showing up in the tasting room!!! Where to start...

Vineyard: The crop this year is looking good. With the heat and humidity on the rise, powdery and downey mildews have started rearing their ugly faces. Shoot thinning and canopy management are well underway (thanks to our hard working vineyard crew; Samantha Jewell and Emily Artruc). The Riesling vines we replanted last year survived the winter and the cold wet spring, and are doing well so far (cross your fingers).



Liberty Balloon Co. surprised us at this past Thursday night music set with a double balloon launch in the front yard!!! Just goes to show, you never know what may happen next around here...

## **August 12th String Theory in concert**

One of Rochester's most unique bands makes the trip south of the thruway for your listening enjoyment!!!

Food from Twisters of Livonia and 3 Legged Pig BBQ of Lakeville will be available for purchase.

Join us for a great night of music and food while helping out the American Red Cross!!!

Tickets are \$10, with a portion of the proceeds going to The American Red Cross.

## **Yaya's Yummys**

Yayas will be coming by on Saturday July 23rd for another round of sampling and selling.

Come by and get some great treats from this unique local food producer!!!

Winery: Well, we only have 300 gallons of wine held over from last year's harvest, everything else is in the bottle so there really isn't an update to report on. The tanks are cleaned, the pumps and hoses sanitized, and everything is just waiting for harvest to hit!!!!

Winery Dogs: [Papi](#) is out and about again, helping Jo with the farmers markets as well as greeting guests in the tasting room. He even has had a few "fans" ask for him by name (after reading about him on our website)!!!

[Ellie](#), well, besides the skunk she tangled with 3 days before bottling this spring, she hasn't had any other notable wildlife encounters (thankfully).

She greets customers (when she sneaks out of the office), and entertains us the rest of the time with her antics; chasing chipmunks (and woodchucks and squirrels and fawns and snakes and frogs), climbing on top of the pallets of wine, harassing employees constantly, etc. Now if we could just get her to play nice with other dogs....

In our next newsletter, we plan to have several pictures of the vines from winter to veraison, to get everyone in the mood for harvest season!!!

## **First Annual Harvest Festival!!!**

Planning is underway for our first Harvest Fest here at Deer Run.

Planned activities so far include a pumpkin painting contest for the kids, grape stomping and grape footprint-ed tee-shirts (for the kids again), a horse and cart ride through the vineyard (we may be picking then also so riders may get treated to a real harvest experience, or maybe even hired...), plus a straw maze, maybe some cider and food vendors and music.

All the details are being hammered out as you read this, so things may change, but keep the middle of October in mind to come celebrate the harvest with us!!!

## **Cigars and Wine**

September 3rd 6pm

Santiago Cigars of Rochester will be down rolling custom cigars. Come on over, enjoy a cigar and a glass of wine.

More details to come.

## **Thanks...from us**

We want to keep saying thank you to our customers. We could go on about the economy, politics of the wine industry, etc. but we chose instead to focus our efforts on providing an entertaining and educational respite from the every day stuff. And you, our friends, neighbors and visitors, have helped us achieve that. Thank you!!!

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