



# Amateur Winemakers of Nebraska

## APRIL 2013

[www.newwineclub.org](http://www.newwineclub.org)

### OTHER BUSINESS

Treasurers Report: We currently have \$680 for future events.

Dues (\$10) are due June 1<sup>st</sup>

New membership cards will be available at the April meeting.

Those who have already paid please see or contact Bart to get your 2013 card.

## April Meeting Club Wine Contest

**When:** Friday April 12

**Where:** Home of Karen and Jim Skinner.  
1800 N 176 St. Lincoln, NE 68527  
(First home north of Holdrege St. on the east side of 176<sup>th</sup> St.)

**Time:** 7 PM

Bring hors d'oeuvres and any other wine you wish to share with club members and friends!

Blind judging by Jen and Jon Reeder of Deer Springs Winery of the 4 batches of wine made by 4 teams of club members from a single pressing of Brianna Grapes.

Team leaders should be ready to describe their approach to making their wine such as yeast, temp., additives etc.,. Winners will be suitably honored.

Don't forget to present your membership card at Kirk's Brew for a 10% discount.



# February Meeting

A Special Thank You to...

John Potter for Hosting the February Meeting

Our February meeting was held at the home of John Potter. The theme was wine and chocolate. We had wonderful chocolate, food and great company!!



# March Meeting

A Special Thank You to...

Tammy Lange for Organizing the Wine and Murder Mystery Night

The night was full of fun and mystery; here are a few suspicious characters from the evening...



*Hedy Shablee*



*Marilyn Merlot*



*Bonnie Lass*



*Papa Vito*



*Otto Von Schnapps*

## UP COMING MEETING IDEAS

### **May winery tour of mid Nebraska Wineries Saturday May 18, 2013:**

Plan is to meet in Kearney Nebraska at 10 AM (~ 2 hr drive from Lincoln), get on bus (Navigator bus lines 43 seat)

Visit Mac's Creek in Lexington (lunch), Three Brothers Vineyard in Farnum, Ceder Hills in Ravenna, and Miletta Vista in St. Paul, then return to Kearney at ~8 pm for dinner.

We have a block of rooms reserved at the New Victorian Inn in Kearney at ~\$50 for that night.

The bus cost is \$722 so if we fill the bus the cost per person will be ~\$17/person, a real deal! If we get fewer tourists the cost will increase proportionately, but in no case will be more than \$30/ person (most winery tours are a lot more expensive than this). If you have friends or relatives who would like to join us please incite them. We can try to arrange car- pooling to save travel costs. This is all tentative and finalization will be done at the April meeting. We will be asking for commitments and possibly payment at the meeting.

**THOSE NOT ATTENDING THE APRIL 12<sup>th</sup> MEETING PLEASE EMAIL BART AT BY APRIL 12 ([bart2@windstream.net](mailto:bart2@windstream.net)) IF YOU CAN COMMIT TO DO THE TOUR.**

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### **June 14:**

This will be a meeting for us all to compare our wines with those of other members. We will have an inter-club contest by independent judges with 100 point scoring. Wine labels will also be judged and awarded. The winning vintner will receive funds to enter the winning wine in a suitable nation-wide wine contest. *Location and date of meeting yet to be determined. We need a volunteer/location for the June meeting.*

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### **July**

We hope to visit James Arthur Vineyard and learn all about tannins and how they affect wine and winemaking. This will be an opportunity for those who bought the JAV Groupon

## Other Stuff...

We are always looking for volunteers for our club bio section. If you would like to be featured please contact Bart at 402.310.9338 or [bart2@windstream.net](mailto:bart2@windstream.net)

For those of you that are taking photos at the meetings, we would like to use them for the newsletter. Please forward them to Nancy @ [nholmquist@windstream.net](mailto:nholmquist@windstream.net) , it would be greatly appreciated!