

Amateur Wine Makers of Nebraska

4/11/16 Newsletter



No one left hungry from this meeting! Thank you to Jim and Karen Skinner for being our great hosts. The weather was so nice that some of us ate inside and some were outside. We had some amazing food all made with wine in it. We had appetizers, soups, various meat options and desserts. Oddly enough 4 out of the top 5 recipes that we voted as winners were desserts☺ Our group has so many good cooks! I will be compiling all the recipes that were there and sending them to Jen at Deer Springs, who attended our event, and to all paid members.

Winners were 1st Place went to Rhonda Berens' Cheesecake with Wine/Raspberry wine sauce (which is also good on brownies, cake, ice-cream or as Chuck says with a spoon. 2nd place was Tammy Lange's delicious Plum Tiramisu which included plums baked with wine. 3rd place was also Tammy. She made Waffle Brownies (that included wine) with Drunken Cherries. 4th place was Karen Skinner's Italian Chili; it included some red wine. 5th place was Tom Zumpfe made a wonderful Red Wine Syrup to put on some Vanilla Ice Cream.

=====

NEXT MEETING

May 14th – 6:00 PM

Chuck & Rhonda Berens

7615 Erin Ct.

Lincoln, NE

Team Wine Contest meeting!

Bring It On! Who do you think will win this year? Each team will showcase their wine and we will see who the Champion Winemakers are! We expect the bottles to be cleverly labeled and the wine to be delicious. We will ask each team to talk about the process they followed to create their wonderful wine. This year we will be our own judges. Each wine will be in a paper sack and we will get to taste the various wines and vote.

We want the emphasis to be on the wine so we will not have members bring any food or snacks, instead we will order Pizza and the club will purchase the Pizza for us! If you would like to bring any other food, please feel free to do so.

SAVE THE DATE

July 16th

We will visit Julianna and Dustin's home (actually Barn, which is not your typical Barn) as they have offered to host our July meeting on Saturday the 16th at 5:00pm. The meeting will be a potluck. More details coming soon.

Dues Due ...

Dues will be due in July. Remember we have voted to go to \$15/person (not per couple) which will pay you through December 2017. Then as of January 2018 we will go back to ask for \$10/person/year.

=====

We want to hear from you. We are looking at going to go to meetings every other month, basically. What do you think? Do Saturdays or Fridays work better for you? We want to try and make it work for as many as we can.

We are open to possibilities, so if you have something that you would like for us to do, just let either John Lange, Jim Skinner or Chuck Berens know.

Please let the Skinners (jmskms52@gmail.com), Berens (crbvikings@windstream.net) or the Langes (john.lange.79@gmail.com) know if you have any questions about any of this or if you have suggestions for future meetings. We are very flexible on what we do.

Don't forget to check our website. Butch is doing a great job of keeping it up to date with pictures and events.