

Amateur Wine Makers of Nebraska

8/15/16 Newsletter

July 16th Meeting/Potluck

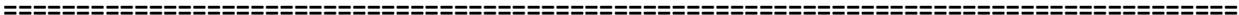
Everyone should have a barn like Julianna and Dustin have! It comes complete with a huge TV with a projector, foosball table, lots of seating and so much more. We played some games and enjoyed a wonderful potluck meal. Thank you for being great host/hostess!!!

Membership dues were paid and we have a current list of paid members with phone numbers and emails. There will be certain things that may happen at some meetings that only paid members will benefit from, so it's important that memberships are current. We won't exclude people, but it may have an added cost for non-members.

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It was a beautiful night!



SAVE THE DATE

September 25th – Payton’s Annual Picnic

Welcome back to Nebraska our traveling friends Paul and Chris Payton. They are truly great members of our club as they have once again volunteered to take care of our 50-gallons of club wine. Speaking of great members – Tom Zumpfe has donated to our club 100 gallons of grape juice. We have a few volunteers who will help Tom to deliver the juice to the Paytons and unload. Right now it is one big block of juice ice. That leaves will give us 50 gallons for the club wine and 50 gallons for us to distribute. We will use gallons for 4 teams and have our annual team competition. The balance of 30 gallons will be offered to paid members at the rate of \$5/gallon. That a lot cheaper than any kit.

We will gather at the Paytons at 1:00 to work on the club wine and distribution of juice and then enjoy a meal of delicious grilled hamburgers and hotdogs and ask that everyone bring a side dish or dessert or bring a snack for the crew that is arriving at 1:00.

If you haven’t paid your dues, you can do so at this meeting. Only \$10 per person.

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We will have a Treasurer’s report so everyone knows where we are with our money and do this at every meeting so you can see how we are using our money to benefit our club and paid members.

I’ll send the address and reminder about a week prior to the meeting.

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Our next meeting is tentatively set for October 28th. Our plan is to set up something at one of the wineries and using our Fault/Scent kit during that meeting, with that wineries winemaker explaining the kit for us. More details on this will be coming as soon as we confirm where this will be taking place.
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We will not be having a meeting in November – Just enjoy Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

Saving the Date

December 2nd – Annual Holiday Party

To be held and Chuck & Rhonda Berens’ Home

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Some of the ideas that come up was the Individual Wine Competition and a Wine Swap. Both of things are something we’ve done in the past that was really enjoyed by all. We can have those who participate talk about anything special they may have done to make their wine as good as it is.

We will want to make sure we are offering whatever it is you want from our club, so please don't be shy and let us know what we can do for you. We are willing to seek out speakers for certain topics, etc. We just need to know what it is you'd like to have done at our meetings.

Please let the Jim Skinner (jmskms52@gmail.com), Chuck Berens (crbvikings@windstream.net) or the John Lange (JTLange@windstream.net) 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.