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Time keeps Marching on! My tulips are about to burst open that's always a good sign!

Spring is right around the corner... hold on!

I'm sending a sweet birthday wish to my Father! He will be 89 on March 21st.

He is a Korean War Vet and has been selected to go on the Honor flight to Washington DC to visit the site of our long lost Korean War Veterans. He dedicated his life outside of Family & Business to the American Legion.

I am very proud of him...

A new favorite!

2014 Obsidian Ridge Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon Red Hills Lake County CA \$31

The 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon is also a winner, slightly more open and precocious, but with plenty of blackcurrant and blackberry fruit, striking minerality (no doubt from the Obsidian rocks) and a full-bodied, luscious, juicy style with a voluptuous texture. Drink it over the next 10-15 years. **92 Points Wine Advocate**

From the "Grand Cru" at Santiam Wine & Bistro

March 2017 Wine Tasting Calendar:

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST 4-8 P.M.

Dry German Riesling

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD 4-8 P.M. PRICE TBD

Zinfandel Tasting and BBQ Pulled Pork

SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH 12-4 P.M. FREE

Come and taste six wines from our March Cheap & Cheerful
12-4 P.M. Enjoy Lunch, Shop and relax.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH 4-8 PM WINE TASTING

French White Burgundy

FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH 4-8 P.M. PRICE T.B.D.

Sangiovese from around the globe!

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH 12-4 CHEAP & CHEERFUL

Six wines from the March Cheap & Cheerful
12-4 P.M. Enjoy Lunch, Shop and relax.
We are sampling our chocolates today!

**Wednesday, March 15th - Friday March 17th
Special Sandwich
The Ruben in honor of ST. Patrick's Day**



CALENDAR CONTINUED...

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH 4-8 P.M. PRICE TBD

WASHINGTON WHITES

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH 4-8 P.M. PRICE T.B.D.

St Patrick's Day! Our Wine Tasting Petite Sirah
Lamb Stew & the best ever Soda Bread

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH 12-4

LEFT OVERS ...LAMB STEW AND PETITE SIRAH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22TH 4-8 P.M. PRICE: TBD

Rose Tasting First of the season!
Happy Spring to you all!

FRIDAY, MARCH 24TH 4-8 P.M. PRICE TBD BANDOL

The Bandol wine region of France, located near the coast east of Marseille and Cassis, is one of Provence's most internationally recognized wine regions. Based around the fishing village of Bandol, west of Toulon, the Bandol AOC covers the production of 8 communes with silicon & limestone soils. Those soils and the warm, coastal climate are ideally suited for the late ripening Mourvèdre grape which is the major varietal of the region. For both the red and rosé wines, Mourvèdre must account for at least 50% of the blend, though most producers will use significantly more, with Grenache & Cinsaut usually filling out the rest of the wine's composition.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH 10-3 P.M.

leftovers!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH 4-8 PM

Loire Valley

FRIDAY, MARCH 31ST 4-8 P.M.

California Cabernet Sauvignon

March 2017 Cheap & Cheerful Red six-pack AKA C&C 6-pack: \$60.30

In this month's hand-picked Cheap & Cheerful Six-Packs. You will find incredible wine values from around the globe. The price reflects **10%** off if you buy the following six wines Red or White — your reward for trusting me. These wines are ready and waiting for you to pick-up! Mix the white and red up if you wish! **(These wines can be purchased individually or by the case!) This Wine Club without rules! But, it does RULE!**

2013 Bonair Cabernet Sauvignon Zillah, WA. \$11

Here is a ripe, full-flavored Cabernet that clocks in at a moderate 12.5% alcohol. Surely a great strength of cool-climate, Yakima Valley Cabernet is its ability to obtain ripe, naturally tart, mixed fruit flavors. What's here are pure varietal flavors of blackberry and cassis, just lightly kissed with oak.

2011 Domaine Boyar Cabernet Sauvignon Thracian Valley Bulgaria \$9 This garnet-colored Bulgarian Cabernet Sauvignon has aromas of black cherry and wet river rock. In the mouth, there are flavors of black plum, black cherry and a touch of graphite before the smooth tannic finish. Check this out! All the way from Bulgaria and simply wonderful!

2014 Kiona Red Mountain Lemberger WA 15 A Red Mountain cult classic. Kiona was the first winery in the United States to produce Lemberger way back in 1980. A consistent award-winner is a signature wine for Kiona. Lemberger is a relatively obscure Eastern European grape that is sometimes known as Blaufränkisch. The vine grows exceedingly well on Red Mountain, where we have established the go-to vineyard in Washington for the varietal. We use our premium fruit and extensive experience with the wine to craft an immensely versatile and universally appealing medium-bodied wine with plenty of style. Tasting Notes - This bright, medium-bodied, fruit-forward wine surprises many with its unique characteristics. Kiona's Estate Lemberger

has a vibrant, well-balanced palate along with plenty of earth and spice that showcases Red Mountain's unique terroir.

2012 Cune Rioja Crianza Spain \$13

A wine that is extremely popular in Spain. Tempranillo-based blend with 15% Garnacha Tinta and Mazuelo matured in oak barrels for one year. The nose starts with notes of creamy oak that soon give way to aromas of ripe berries, blackcurrants and plums that are quite spicy and showy, with a fresh, herbal, raspberry leaf touch. The palate is light to medium-bodied, polished and soft, with unnoticeable tannins and very well-integrated oak.

2014 Montefresco Montepulciano D Abruzzo Italy \$10

2014 is 100% Montepulciano that was fermented in stainless steel. This Italian red offers ripe red fruit and spice character. Pairs well with pizza, pasta and barbeque and offers one of the best values in red wine.

2015 Isle Saint Pierre Red, Mediterranee \$9

40% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Franc, 10% Arinarnoa, 10% Petit Verdot Classic, no special technology, just a temperature control with cooled panels during the fermentation in order to keep the genuine fruit. Varietals are macerating and fermenting separately. The blend is achieved to reach the typical fruity-spicy character of this wine but also to bring some nice structure and add a layer of complexity.

March 2017 White Cheap & Cheerful \$58.95

2016 Tres Palacios Cab Franc Rosé Maipo Valley, Chile \$10 1st yummy rose from 2016~

2015 Proto Verdejo, Spain \$11

2015 Abiqua Wind Caleb Knorr Pinot Gris \$14

2014 Storypoint Chardonnay Sonoma County \$12.50

2014 Esprit De Sarraill Cite de Carcassonne Sauvignon Blanc France \$7

2015 Pazo do Mar Ribeiro 80% Treixadura, 30% Torrontes, and 5% Godello Spain \$11



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STORE HOURS

TUESDAY 11-7

WEDNESDAY -FRIDAY 11-8

SATURDAY 10AM -CLOSE

WINE TASTING EVERY WHITE WEDNESDAY &

RED ON FRIDAY

EVERY SATURDAY
COMPLIMENTARY
WINE TASTINGS
12-4PM!

OUR MENU IS OPEN
PLEASE JOIN US!

- * SPECIALTY CHEESES FROM AROUND THE GLOBE * CORONA BEANS
- CASINA ROSSO BLACK TRUFFLE SEASALT, VIGNALTA ROSEMARY SEASALT, LUSTAU SOLERA VINAGRE COOKING SHERRY
- * LEMON INFUSED OLIVE OIL * VIGNALTA ROSEMARY SEASALT
- * ITALIAN, SPANISH OLIVE OIL- MALETTI BALSAMIC VINEGAR SHERRY WINE VINEGAR * MARSALA* GIFT BASKETS * SHIPPING BOXES * SHIPPING AVAILABLE * GIFT CERTIFICATES! * FREE TISSUE WRAP AND HANTIED BOW! YOU CAN ALSO PURCHASE OUR MARINATED NUTS, OLIVES, OR FRESHLY SLICED GOURMET CHEESES, DEMI FRENCH BAGUETTES— PRICES POSTED AT THE STORE.
- TO GO AVAILABLE!