

ELEVATION TEN

Wine Club Newsletter

Help Us Make A Difference This Holiday Season St. Johns Program For Real Change



Elevation Ten Winery is pleased to announce a new partnership with the St. John's Program for Real Change of Sacramento. During the month of December, Elevation Ten Winery will be donating 10% of all wine sales to this essential community program. Elevation Ten is committed to giving back to the community and helping those in need, especially during the holiday season. This partnership is just the beginning of what we hope to be a long term and prosperous relationship with this wonderful organization. Visit Elevation Ten in the month of December and help us to make a difference in contributing to this worthwhile program!

About St. John's Program For Real Change: A little known fact is that on any given day in Sacramento County, more than 650 mothers and their children are homeless—up 47.5

percent from 2009. The most shocking fact is that mothers and children are the most rapidly growing segment of the homeless population. Unfortunately, existing shelters simply cannot accommodate them all. Even if they could, traditional shelters—at best—are just a temporary solution to the more complex problems of homelessness.

The mission of Saint John's Program for Real Change is to support homeless women with children to advance from a point of crisis to a position of self-sufficiency. During Saint John's 90-day program, confidence and hope are restored while independent living skills are developed and goals are set. However, three major barriers to employment remain -- 'employable skills', affordable child care and transportation.

Founded by the Saint John's Program for Real Change, the Plates Café and Catering Project is an innovative response that addresses these three barriers. Plates trains women for careers in the food service, catering, retail and hospitality industries—industries that offer some 'hours flexibility' which is crucial component for a working single mother with children. Moreover, they are industries where jobs are readily available.

The Saint John's graduates who participate in this six-twelve month learning program will, by definition, have successfully completed St. John's highly structured and regimented program. They will have completed Saint John's On-the-Job (OJT) training program during their time at the Shelter. They will be in stable housing and will be progressing regularly towards the goals they developed at the Shelter. They are women who have been homeless, but they have demonstrated that they are far from helpless. By assisting them to develop the skills required to gain AND maintain employment, not only are we helping these women to sustain their families and fulfill their potential, we are lessening the burden on "our system's" increasingly precarious and scarce resources.

Child Care is underwritten for those participating in Plate's Volunteer Learner program at First Steps, located next door to the Café, and through independent providers as needed. Transportation will be provided using one of two 20-passenger shuttles which were donated to the Shelter by Thunder Valley Casino in December 2009.

An employment learning program for formerly homeless mothers with children, Plates provides women with a unique opportunity to learn valuable skills necessary to enter the culinary and service industries. Upon completion of the Plates program, graduates are qualified for positions in the culinary, retail and/or hospitality industries. Plates helps place them into careers in these industries.

Upcoming Events

November

November 28th-30th Black Friday & Holiday Shopping Boutique

Wine lifestyle gift items for your "connoisseur", Gourmet food & specialty items for "Foodies", Hard to find, unique items for those who "have everything". FREE ADMISSION

January January 11th -

Winter Wine Club Pick Up Party! Join us for a fun filled day of wine and festivities. We will be releasing our new 2012 Proprietor's Blend in this release!

Check our website for additional information and updates on events at Elevation Ten!

*****Wine Updates *****

Now Available: New releases currently available for sale are our 2012 El Dorado Zinfandel, 2012 Clarksburg Malbec and 2012 Clarksburg Petit Verdot.

Coming Soon: Remaining to be released in early 2015 are our 2012 Napa Valley Syrah, 2012 Clarksburg Cabernet Franc, and the 2012 Clarksburg Proprietor's Blend, which will be released in January 2015!

Almost Gone: The following wines are almost sold out: 2009 Lake County Semillon, 2009 Sonoma Cabernet Sauvignon, 2011 Napa Valley Syrah, 2011 Clarksburg Petite Sirah and our 2012 Clarksburg Malbec.

Sold Out: We are now sold out of our 2013 Carignane Rose.

❖WINE FUN FACT ❖

The calories in a 4 ounce glass of wine ranges from about 80 to 100 calories. Lighter wines tend to have fewer calories than heavier wines. Some wines are higher in carbohydrates than others due to their residual sugars. For example, a dry Sauvignon Blanc may have 2 grams of carbohydrate where as a very sweet dessert wine could have up to 12 grams. Wine is fat free and contains no cholesterol, even more reasons to have that glass of wine today!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Derek & Jamie Asmis



Derek and Jamie Asmis In 70's disco costumes at our October Hallo-Wine Party!

We would like to introduce two very fun and spirited wine club members - Derek and Jamie Amis, who have been Elevation Ten Club members since 2013. This dynamic duo met back in 2001 in the small town of Fernley, Nevada while working for a small (or not so small) company called Amazon.com. Jamie worked in operations and Derek worked in information technology. It was love at first sight...ok, not really. Jamie was a tough nut to crack and when she needed something, Derek was there to the rescue. Eleven years of marriage later they are going strong with Jamie still working at Amazon.com, and Derek running his own business called TinyTini (www.drinktinytini.com). For the past three and a half years, Sparks, Nevada is where they call home. These "almost" empty nesters have one daughter still at home attending her senior year of high school.

Derek and Jamie happened upon the Old Sugar Mill a few years ago and simply fell in love with it after a tepid relationship with the Napa wineries. The character, warmth and overall inviting atmosphere made their two and a half hour drive from Reno much easier to do! When asked what their favorite Elevation Ten Wine was, they said they don't know if they really have a favorite because they like ALL of the wines. According to Derek, a clear "go to" wine for him is the Carignane Rose which he feels can be consumed daily, not that he does of course. They are also huge fans of the Semillon which according to Derek, is akin to the nectar of the gods!

When not sampling wine Derek and Jamie enjoy discovering new places to hike in the Tahoe region where there is no shortage of trails, as well as playing with their two dogs who happily greet them upon their return. If you happen to be standing next to these two at the Elevation Ten bar or in our club lounge, make sure you get to know them, they will keep you laughing the entire time you are talking with them!