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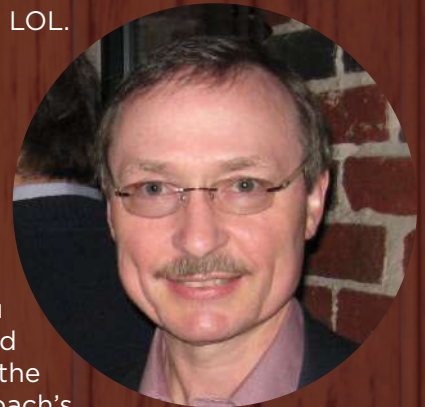
Event Report:

Mother's Day Brunch
Upcoming Events

What's New

In a rare circumstance, I missed a Council Bluffs event. I was in France attending two IWFS Festivals: Alsace and Paris / Bordeaux. I can't readily recall a previous Council Bluffs event that started before noon. But I am usually the photographer as well as the event reporter. We had substitutes for this month's gazette. Mike Wilde took the photos...all of 5 of them. It must have gotten really busy, or the wine was really good! LOL. Joe Goldstein wrote our report.

Since we seem to have a photo famine, I will supplement with shots from the IWFS Alsace Festival. We went to what many would consider a First Growth of Alsace, even though Alsace does not have a classification system like the Bordeaux Medoc. Domaine Weinbach / Faller is one of Alsace's best wineries. The building started out in 1612 as a Capuchin monastery. In the 19th century, the Faller family began making wine. They are right below the Schlossberg Grand Cru vineyard, so you see labels referring to the Cuvée des Capuchins and the Grand Cru Schlossberg. Alsace has 51 grand cru vineyard sites on the slopes of the Voges Mountain foothills. We had a nice tasting of Weinbach's wines, some in magnum. All are extraordinary expressions of their terroir. I see you had two Alsatian sparkling wines, called Crémant, at the Pasta Amore brunch. Those are usually pretty good as well.



We mourn the loss of one of our founders, John Fischer, who died on June 25, 2022 from complications of Parkinson's Disease. John was a great guy and loved wine and food pairings. He will be missed.

You can access the Branch Recipe file by clicking:

https://issuu.com/omahapublications/docs/iwfs_cb_council_bluffs_recipes.

When she saw her first strands of grey hair, she thought she'd dye.

It's Time for Some Lexophiles

Mother's Day Brunch

Written by Joe Goldstein, Photos by Mike Wilke

It is a tradition to celebrate Mother's Day with a wonderful brunch and express gratitude to our wives, mothers, daughters and grandmothers for all they do behind (and in front of!) the scenes to help make our lives easier. In that spirit we asked members, and loved ones to join us for a special IWFS event: Mother's Day Brunch at Pasta Amore. Brunch started at 10:30 am where we served Mimosas and Bloody Mary's, plus three different sparkling wines. We then moved on to a fabulous meal prepared by Chef Jared Clarke of Pasta Amore which provided us brunch fare with his own unique spin. Menu items included a Frittata, Pork Belly and Ham Croque Monsieur, Duck with Biscuits and Gravy, and Steak & Eggs "Benedict" style. Thanks to everyone who celebrated with us at this unique IWFS brunch event and raise a glass to all of the mothers in our lives!





UPCOMING COUNCIL BLUFFS BRANCH EVENTS

JULY
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PITCH DUNDEE

Rosé All Day theme

Sit Down Rosé tasting

Event Producers A. Harrington and J. Matthews

AUG
21

402 EAT + DRINK

Theme TBD

Event Producers: Dave & Tabitha Thrasher

SEP
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OAK HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

Dry Aged vs. Non-Dry Aged Ribeye

Event Producers Brent Rasmussen & Susan Rauth
and Amanda Harrington & John Matthews

HOSTING AN EVENT?

Let us know when, where and a little bit about what's going on!

We would love to include YOUR event on the calendar!

Email details to: iwfs.councilbluffs@yahoo.com