

Alabama Wineries & Grape Growers Association

Annual Meeting Notice

When: Sunday, June 7, 2009

Location: Best Western Carlton Suites, 140 State Farm Parkway, Birmingham, AL Phone: 205-940-9990 (Please note for those who may want to spend the night Saturday or Sunday evenings, the hotel has set a special price for a double occupancy room of \$79.89 plus tax for our members. Reference Alabama Wineries & Grape Growers when making reservations.)

The meeting will officially begin Sunday morning, June 7 at 9:00 a.m. with registration. Beverages/donuts will be provided.

The program for the meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. with our keynote speaker - Tom Chestnut from the Economic & Community Development Institute, Auburn University who will speak on "Promoting Alabama Wines & the Wine Industry."

From 10:30 to 11:30 will be a presentation on food and wine by Lee & Jene Beadles. This program was requested after last year's presentation.

From 11:30 to 12:30 will be a box lunch plus general discussion among members. See below on the registration your choices for the box lunch. You must advise whether you are coming and what lunch you want by June 1 to be assured of having a lunch available for you.

Following lunch, we will be presented with another speaker and then at 2:00 p.m. we will hold the annual business meeting with election of officers for the coming year.

To end our annual meeting, we will host a reception for the awarding of the medals earned for the First Annual Amateur Wine Competition. Each of those who have entered wines will have a bottle of their wine available for tasting. We will also welcome wines others may want to bring to share with the conference attendees. Since this is our first official competition, we hope all members will make every effort to attend the conference and following reception to show our support for the entrants and those who have worked diligently to put the competition together. Also please make sure you congratulate all the medal winners.

Registration fees are listed below. Please make your reservations by June 1 by calling or emailing Jene Beadles at the info below. Thank you all for your prompt response.

Registration fee - \$20.00 per person. Dues of \$25.00 can also be paid for the coming year at the meeting. Note: those who joined after January 1 of this year will not have to pay dues.

Box Lunch Choices – beef, ham, turkey or vegetarian. You must advise your choice when making reservations for the meeting to ensure you will have a lunch available.

Call or email Jene Beadles by June 1 at Phone: 205-664-5583 or email at RJeneb@aol.com.