

Central Kentucky WineFest Awards Two Gold Medals

The Central Kentucky WineFest conducted a Kentucky Wine Competition over the Memorial Day weekend for 35 Kentucky produced wines. Five independent judges from outside Kentucky selected the medal winning wines based on a series of criteria including color, clarity, aroma, taste and balance. Wines were not judged against each other but on how well each wine matched the criteria for those particular varietals. Two Gold Medals were awarded along with 13 Silver medals plus ten Bronze medals. Overall, 72 % of the wines were deemed excellent.

The two Gold Medals were awarded to Chrisman Mill winery for their Sweet Jessamine Rose' and to Brooks Hill winery for their Cranberry. The thirteen Silver Medals were awarded to Ashwood Cellars 'Red Table Wine', Chateau du Vieux Corbeau winery's Riesling, Vidal Blanc and Cranberry, Chrisman Mill for their Blackberry and Sweet Riverbend Red, Equus Run winery for their Riesling, Horseshoe Bend for their 'Goldenrod Dessert' wine, Long Lick winery for their 'Blue Silk Traminette', Stone Brook winery for their 'Domain Reserve Cayuga' and Wildside Vines for their Cabernet Sauvignon and Cherry.

The **Central Kentucky WineFest** will be held **Friday June 13, 2008** on the grounds of Old Crow Inn Farm & Winery in Danville. The event will be a **Kentucky Proud** Affair featuring Kentucky Proud wines from fourteen (14) Kentucky wineries plus **Kentucky Proud** cheeses and produce from Kentucky farms. The proceeds from advance ticket sales and gate receipts will be shared by two local charities. The organizations that will benefit are the Danville-Boyle County Humane Society and the Brenda Cowan Coalition of Kentucky. The Brenda Cowan Coalition provides assistance to area families.

Visitors to the WineFest will have the opportunity to sample dozens of Kentucky Proud wines and to purchase those they prefer. They will also be able to sample and purchase Kentucky Proud cheeses and other Kentucky Proud products. They will receive a special commemorative Central Kentucky WineFest glass and brochure that provides details on each participating winery.

Old Crow Inn Farm and Winery, under the trade name 'Chateau du Vieux Corbeau Winery', is located at 471 Stanford Avenue in Danville. The event, which lasts from 4:30 PM until 8:30 PM, costs \$20.00. Groups of 10 or more may purchase tickets at a reduced rate. For information or to purchase tickets, call **859-236-1808** or check with the Danville-Boyle Humane Society or the Brenda Cowan Coalition.