

# Independent Grape Growers Paso Robles Area

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## IGGPRA Social

### All American BBQ

Date: **June 18, 2011**

Time: **6 to 10 pm**

Place: **Rio Seco Winery**

4295 Union Rd. Paso Robles

IGGPRA provides Ribs & Chicken Legs

Members provide by last name:

**A to D:** Dessert

**E to L:** Appetizers

**M to R:** Salads

**S to Z:** Side Dishes

*Bring table set ups, glasses, wine to share, or beverage of choice, and chairs.*

**Members and one guest FREE, additional guest, \$5 each, members of the public, \$10 each.**

RSVP Elizabeth Torp 226-8293  
by June 15, 2011  
or go to our web site  
[www.pasorobleswinegrapes.com](http://www.pasorobleswinegrapes.com)  
and click on the link.

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**2011**

**IGGPRA CALENDAR**

All dates/seminars are subject to change.

Suggestions for seminars are welcome. Contact ANY board member to offer your suggestions!

May seminar tbd  
Mon May 31 Memorial Day

**Tues June 1 VOTE**  
Sat June 18, Socail 6pm-10pm  
Rio Sec Vineyard

Sun June 19 Father's Day

Mon July 4 Independence Day  
July seminar tbd

Aug 20 Social 6pm-10pm

Sep seminar tbd

Sun Oct 23 Social tbd

Nov seminar tbd

Dec 19 Christmas Party  
San Miguel Parish  
Center 6pm-10pm

Jan 2012 seminar tbd  
Feb seminar tbd  
Mar seminar tbd

***Wine & Dine***  
**Pollo con Salsa Verde**

*Recipe Provided by Sharen Bloechl & was served at the April 16 Social*

Since I did not use a recipe, I can only give you a estimate on the measurements.

4 slices bacon cut in half length-wise then diced  
1-1/2 large onions chopped  
6 to 9 cloves garlic chopped  
1 large bunch cilantro, chopped  
1 (27ounce) can green enchilada sauce  
1 TBS chili powder  
2 tsp ground cumin  
1 tsp sugar  
8 chicken breast halves, cut into bite sized pieces  
3 small cans Ortega peppers diced

Using a large fry pan or Dutch oven  
Fry bacon until crispy  
Add chopped onion, cook till translucent  
Add garlic  
Start working chicken into mixture  
Cook mixture thoroughly  
Add cilantro and enchilada sauce and Ortega peppers and sugar  
Stir to combine

At this point taste the mixture & season accordingly—if you want more heat add chopped jalapenos, hot pepper flakes or hot sauce.

Serve with tortillas, rice and beans

Notes:

- Frozen chicken breasts cut up easier then fresh.
- A little sugar cuts some of the acidity
- You need to ensure that the bacon is crispy before you add onions, otherwise it will never finish cooking
- If this turns out too salty, add 1/4 cup whole oats—they will also help thicken this up if its too watery
- You can make your own chili verde sauce by placing tomatillos, skins included, garlic cloves, chopped Jalapeño peppers, other chilies (if you are using them), and cilantro to the blender. Pulse until all ingredients are finely chopped and mixed.

*Bon Appetite'*



## April 5 SEMINAR at JLohr Wine Center

We want to thank Jerry and Steve Lohr for allowing us to use their wine center for our seminar that was held on Tuesday, April 5. The 70 attendees received valuable information from KC Branch on legal aspects of a grape purchase agreement; Richard Sauret and Bob Pettis on marketing your grapes; and our local grape broker representatives.

### IGGPRA Mission Statement:

1. Grower education and marketing strategy.
2. The sustainable growth, harvest and profitable sale of high quality wine grapes.
3. Enhancing the economic health of our growers by differentiating the premium quality of our grapes from other grape growing regions.
4. Continuing to provide agriculture that is sustainable environmentally, economically and socially and to advocate at all levels of government where involvement is essential to our growers.

### NEWSLETTER NOTE:

- In regards to Richard's message— in addition to the Newsletter being email to you in pdf format, please note that if you do not have an email address, you will continue to receive you newsletter in this format.
- Article, insert, etc submission deadlines/cutoff: 2 weeks after each Social, e.g., the next deadline/cutoff is July 2.

**CAVEAT:** Articles presented in this newsletter should not be construed as a recommendation by the author, IGGPRA Editor, or IGGPRA; but rather as a source of information!

May 2011

Seminar: Mgmt of Frost Damaged Vineyards & Update on Potential Disaster Declaration

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| 29  | 30 | 31  | Memorial Day |    |     |     |

VOTE

Flag Day

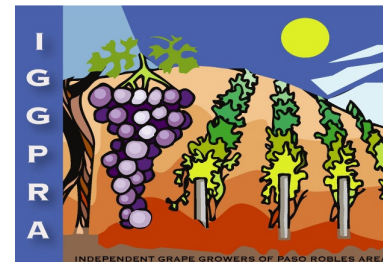
June 2011

Social @ Rio Seco

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Father's Day

1st Day of Summer



Why not buy a sign? It really looks good on your property! A small donation of \$25 YOU will be able to display it on your fence or business.

Farm Supply has offered to keep some signs for your convenience so that you can go pick one or two up after you make your purchase. Please ask for Dale Evenson.



The wide spread frost damage done to vineyards in San Luis Obispo and Monterey counties on April eight, nine and ten were the worst I have seen here in 40 years. Since I can remember April has always been the month that I feared the most when it comes to what Mother Nature can do to you. Two years in a row in late 1950 April 19 the temperature dropped to the low 20s and needless to say it froze all things that was any interest to the area, almonds, walnuts, grapes

but then there was not many acres of wine grapes so no one was too concerned about that loss. In those years the area planted many acres of wheat and barley and there was a lot of hay made those two years. When the temperatures drop that low generally it can be below freezing for many hours and that is hard to defend yourself against. There was some frost in the low lying areas on May first so never say it is too late to freeze, I wonder how many people planted their tomato plants in those warm days of April and now need to start over. If you were hit with the frost your vines will recover with second growth but your crop will be considerable less and a very late harvest should be expected since they were two weeks behind even before the freeze. November harvest are never fun, by then the weather has turned cool and possible rain, grapes are hard to get ripe in those conditions IGGPRA will be putting on seminars to help all growers deal with the problems this year has brought us so far.

The board meeting on May second your board came up with ideas to save money and increase our membership so we at this time will not have to raise dues, that is something that is not too popular in today's world but sometimes to exist is necessary. The poll taken at our last social about raising dues was very positive, but for now lets all work toward our goal in a different direction. Your newsletters will be coming to you e-mail pdf for your viewing, that in itself can save and will see how it works out. Many of our board of directors are committee chairmen and do a great job but we need you the members to help build our membership by talking to other growers, friends and business people about our educational seminars our growers helping growers and the enjoyment all have at the social events. Those who communicate work together and play together stay together.

We have a great organization, let's keep it growing.

Regards,

Richard Sauret

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WINDOW



April 18 through April 25, IGGPRA had an opportunity to decorate the Paso Robles Chamber of Commerce window with items that represented a broad view of our organization.

Thank you to those who, on short notice, offered an item for our window. A special thank you to Luis Nuñez and his sister, Rose, who assisted with setting up. We are confident of similar opportunities in the future.

WANTED – MEMBERS' WINE LABELS FOR OUR 2011-12 DISPLAY!

The initial display of members' wine labels generated enthusiasm at the Grape and Wine Symposium in Sacramento earlier this year. Since then, we have continued to offer the display at local events and venues.



Ensure that your wine label is included in the new display that must be prepared well before year-end harvest duties and holidays. Please provide me TWO LABELS (FRONT) ONLY. Cut-off is mid-September.

You may bring your labels to the May 10 training seminar at Silver Horse, the next June 18 social at the Mission San Miguel or mail them to me at: 1860 Rancho Lomas Way , San Miguel, CA 93451. Questions? Contact me at (805) 467-3280 or [sf49giantsl@hughes.net](mailto:sf49giantsl@hughes.net)



On April 6, 2011 we lost **Joseph A. (Joe) Mondello** passed on at 9:21AM in Cookville , Tennessee at the age of 74 following complications from surgery. Joe was born on August 6, 1936 in Los Angeles , CA.

Joe is survived by his wife Mary, four children Bernard Mondello, Stephanie Mondello, Gina Ozanne, and Nica Mondello-Gomez and four grandchildren, Nicole Mondello, Ross Ozanne, Adam and Joey Gomez.

*Our Seminar Chair-Elizabeth Torp*

First, I want to thank everyone who told me our last social was the best ever. Your support means a lot to me. 85 of us enjoyed a fabulous evening at the San Miguel Parish Center. We had a great location, plenty of wonderful food, and of course, the best people in the world. I look forward to seeing every one at the June Social at Rio Seco. On another note, my serving utensil box is getting fuller. If you are missing serving utensils, check it out

Shots from around the room



**May2011 Seminar:**

Management of Frost Damaged Vineyards & Update on Potential Disaster Declaration

**Speakers:** Keith Patterson: Cal Poly Viticulture Professor  
Brenda Ouwerkerk: Chief Deputy Agricultural Commissioner  
Jennifer Anderson: USDA Farm Services Agency

**Location:** SilverHorse Winery Event Center, 2995 Pleasant Rd, San Miguel

**Date:** May 10, 2011; **Time:** 1:30 pm til 4:00 pm

**RSVP:** Precision Ag Consulting, 805-434-3331 or  
email: terri@precisionagconsulting.com

Free to IGGPRA Members, \$20 to non-members Chairs will be provided



**A note from your new Newsletter Editor:** My husband Wayne and I have been members since 2004. We like IGGPRA because, in addition to the social aspects, it has expanded our knowledge of wine and introduced us to a lot of very nice AND helpful friends. One of the biggest things I've noticed, is no one's afraid to raise a hand to help or explain what's the best way to do or find something they need. We moved here in January 2000 after someone made us an offer we couldn't refuse on our house in La Selva Beach – the move forced Sharen to retire from Lockheed as

a Computer Operations & Security Specialist [they wouldn't let her telecommute]. Wayne owns hot rod parts store [1010 Garage complete with web site & a 48-page catalog that Sharen maintains] - he's also buying & selling cars and doing auto appraisals. They are also members of the Wines & Steins group - where Sharen has spent the last 6 years as Webmaster and 4 years as Secretary/Newsletter—they have been helping with crushing & pressing grapes as well as bottling wine — we get paid with wine – Sharen has judged at the San Jose Mercury Wine Awards; Wayne and Sharen have judged at the Mid-State Fair Commercial and the Mid-State Fair Home Wine Maker Competition. Also, Sharen is a Free lance Food & Wine Writer. Our family consists of our son Geologist Wayne [granddaughter Kelsea] and daughters Randi [& Butch Myers – grandchildren: Scott, Karren & Thomas] and Stacy [& Art Olmos – grandsons Zach & Travis (they have a Reggae & Ska band in the Roseville area called Simple Creation].

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