

# Columbia-Willamette Enological Society

*Presents Its*

January 11, 2012 Program

## Saint Laurent Estate Winery

At

**EB Hamilton Hall (Red Cross Bldg)**

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**Fort Vancouver National Historic Reserve**

Wow, it is hard to believe, but we are doing our first 2012 program!! It will be Saint Laurent Estate Winery. Named for the third century martyr of the Roman Catholic church Saint Laurent is the life's work of Michael and Laura Laurent Mrachek. Beginning in 1978 they started growing fruit in Central Washington's Wenatchee Valley. Michael's vision was to expand into wine grapes and in 1999 they planted the first 60 acres on the Wahluke slope. Today the vineyards blanket 260 prime, fertile acres near the mighty Columbia River. Also of interest, the Wahluke Slope has recently been declared to be a separate AVA, which is highly renowned for premier red wines.

While the wines for our tasting have not yet been finalized, it appears that we taste some of the following:

### The Wines:

**Riesling**

**Chardonnay**

**Cabernet Sauvignon**

**Syrah**

**Merlot**

**Two Red Wine Blends**

Join us for the "Welcome Wine" at 7:15 PM with the Program to begin at 7:30 PM. Bring 2 (two) wine glasses for comparative tasting, and a friend to share the evening with you.

Chef DJ Thomas will be matching these fantastic wines with some intriguing food bites specifically paired to match their best qualities.

**Make your reservations early as seating is expected to fill up quickly.**

Since I'm sure you'll enjoy the tasting do your friends a favor and invite them to come with you. You both get free raffle tickets

**Make your reservation by replying to this e-mail, or by calling Ray and Patricia Maddix at: [\(360\)944-2051](tel:3609442051).**

Let us know how many reservations you want to make. Please let us know by Saturday January 7, 2012. Cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for guests, if made before Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> (\$33 and \$38 at the door). Directions to E.B. Hamilton Hall:

### Directions to the Hall

From E. Mill Plain go south on Fort Vancouver Way, to the traffic circle. At the traffic circle go half way around (180 degrees) and continue south on Fort Vancouver Way. Go to the second right turn, McClellan Rd, and turn right. Follow McClellan for about 1 ½ blocks. Turn to the left at Barnes. E. B. Hamilton Hall is on the left at the end of the street.