



Welcome to our monthly *Vine to Wine* newsletter! **Oregon Wine Research Institute** faculty and staff work to provide research-based viticulture, enology and wine business information for the advancement of the Oregon wine industry, and this newsletter allows us to extend that information to you along with other news and events. We welcome industry questions, so contact **OWRI team members** with input, feedback or challenges you face in the vineyard, cellar, or tasting room.



Although our offices are closed to help prevent the spread of the virus, we continue to be available and responsive, providing [COVID-19](#) information and resources to facilitate the ongoing sharing of information about the virus. Oregon State University has collected nearly 200,000 pairs of gloves and other medical supplies for COVID-19! There is new information from Tom Danowski (Oregon Wine Board) on how wine industry folks can help by donating unused N95 respirators and PPE to health care providers. [Here are the details](#) for those interested in helping.

Our thoughts are with everyone who have been impacted by COVID-19. Best wishes for a healthy spring.

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## Research Focus

### **Avoid mixing biologicals with antimicrobials**

OSU professor Jay Pscheidt discuss how biological products are used in the management of organic grapes. [Read more](#)

### **2020 Pest Management Guide for Wine Grapes in Oregon**

This guide is developed for use by managers of commercial vineyards in Oregon. Download the OSU Extension publication [here](#).

## Event Updates

### **OSU Online Vineyard Production Course still being offered - March 31**

Despite many cancelations this spring, the Viticulture Production course taught by Dr. Patty Skinkis, OSU Professor and Viticulture Extension Specialist will be offered as planned. This online, non-credit course covers key concepts in vineyard management and focuses on the importance of making informed management decisions in the vineyard by understanding impacts on grapevine physiology and economics. This course is great for professional development of current vineyard/winery staff or for those interested in entering the industry. **Early bird registration rates are being applied for all due to the COVID-19 situation.** Class begins March 31! Registration is required. Learn more about the class [here](#).

**WAVE Research Seminar Reformats to Live Webinar - April 1**

The Washington wine industry's annual signature research event has been reformatted to a live webinar, a move that facilitates learning for grape growers and wineries regardless of location. The Washington Advancements in Viticulture and Enology (WAVE) will take place as originally planned on April 1, but is condensed to better fit a webinar format. The WAVE webinar starts at 2 p.m. and will conclude at 4:30 p.m. Register for the [WAVE webinar here](#).

### **2020 Sparkling Symposium - April 22 *Postponed***

The Northwest Wine Studies Center and Chemeketa's Wine Studies program has postponed their second biennial conference and registrants will receive a refund shortly.

### **Joint ASEV National Conference and ASEV Eastern Section Annual Meeting - June 15**

#### ***Canceled***

In light of the rapidly changing events due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the ASEV Board has made the difficult decision to cancel the Joint National Conference and ASEV Eastern Section Annual Meeting set to take place in Portland, Oregon, this June. ASEV's priority is to safeguard the health of our members and attendees, and to comply with guidance for large events from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). ASEV will be providing more information as it becomes available. If you have any questions or concerns, email ASEV at [info@asev.org](mailto:info@asev.org).

## **News Briefs**

### **James Osborne receives Distinguished Teacher Award**

OSU Food Science Professor and Enology Extension Specialist, Dr. James Osborne, has been added to the Registry of Distinguished Teachers. Given annually by OSU, the award is bestowed upon outstanding teachers in the OSU College of Agricultural Sciences.

### **Oregon Red Blotch Disease Survey 2020**

The OWRI Red Blotch Study Team is working to understand the status of Red Blotch Disease in the state and industry needs as we develop future research and outreach into the disease. Please complete a brief online survey [here](#) by May 1, 2020.

### **OSU Plant Clinic has moved**

The Plant Clinic, a plant diagnostic disease center, housed in 4120 Cordley Hall, provides service to growers and the general public. Learn tips on [how to submit plant materials](#).

## **Extension Resources**

### **Preparing your pest management program for 2020**

Use the following resources when developing your pest management spray programs:

- [Pest Management Guide for Wine Grapes in Oregon](#)
- [Plant Disease Management Handbook](#)
- [Insect Management Handbook](#)
- [Weed Management Handbook](#)
- [Pesticide Safety](#)
- [Effective Vineyard Spraying](#)

## **Upcoming Events**

**OSU Vineyard Management Training** | March 31, Online

**WAVEx** | April 1, Online

## Stay Connected



Have a particular topic or question you would like to see addressed in the *Vine to Wine*? Please [contact us](#).

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