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Good Evening, Is it graduation night for someone in your family? Congratulations! There is a good chance you will read this email on your cell phone! We have a great line-up of wines for tomorrow night so text all your friends and spread the word... Santiam Wine & Bistro-Great Wine, Great Friends, Great Food & Great Wine Tastings!

“Every bottle of Small Vineyards wine bears our gold seal, signifying that the wine is hand-harvested, earth-friendly, and from a family-owned estate. By importing wines from small estates, we are helping to protect unique grape varietals, local winemaking styles, and preserve a special way of life.”

Enjoy wine tasting Friday night with our special guests Kristin Kluvers, Oregon Client Liaison/Small Vineyards ambassador and Amy Paul Maynard Wine Specialist Mitchell Wines

When: Friday, June 6th
Where: Santiam Wine & Bistro
Time: 4-8 P.M.
Cost: Full Pour \$15 Half Pour \$10

The Wines:

1. 2011 Poderi Elia Barbera d'Asti \$15

Piemonte Barbera D.O.C. According to numerous journalists, Poderi Elia's Federico Stella makes one of the world's finest Barbarescos. According to us, he's also a wiz at Barbera; made with vines up to 80+ years old, this wine is explosive in its purity, precision, and power. With taut, granular tannins and structure, this remarkable wine still manages a lushness that comes from the old vine age

2. 2011 Sanguineti Morellino de Scansano \$15

Morellino di Scansano DOC Antonio Sanguineti has a flair for making classic wines that appeal on all levels. He respects tradition, but always adds his own touch, making rich, enjoyable wines that his father's generation, or his son's, would enjoy. His Morellino bursts with sun-bright fruit, fresh cracked pepper, sage, and ocean brine. Its taut structure supports a long, slightly smoky finish

3. 2008 Podere Ciona Chianti Classico Riserva \$28

Chianti Riserva D.O.C.G. The Gatteschi family specializes in Chianti Classico Riserva-and they make just under a thousand cases at that. This beautiful wine is a blend of wine aged in new, 2nd, and 3rd passage French oak barriques for at least 18 months. The aromas of cherry, blackberry, and earthy beets co-mingle with a taut, finely structured Sangiovese and Merlot blend that could age for 10

4. 2008 Verso Rosso Salento Salento \$13

Verso Rosso Salento IGT Verso is a very full-bodied, luscious wine made with a small percent of 'appassimento', or raisined, grapes. It comes from the same terrific people who make Casa Contini. The grapes are grown on two non-contiguous crus, with about 1500 cases total made.

which is of course very small for Puglia. Rich and dark in color, with vibrant spice flavors, it is a hedonistic

5. 2011 Giuseppe Lonardi Ripasso \$25

Ripasso refers to the re-passing of Valpolicella Classico through the pressed, raisined skins used for Amarone. These skins are aromatic, high in alcohol and flavor, and are very valuable; that is why true Ripasso is a small production wine. Some brands attempt to short-cut the process by adding residual sugar-but not Giuseppe. This offering from Lonardi has lush cranberry notes with chocolate that epitomizes the lovely characteristics of Corvina.

6. 2011 Perazzeta Rita Riserva \$36.50

From Alessandro Bocci, one of Toscana's greatest makers of olive oil and our wildly popular Rita Sangiovese comes his estate's reserve wine, Rita Riserva-a truly remarkable achievement. With grapes that echo the richness and complexity of Montalcino (he is just yards away), and the powerful innovation of the Maremma, Bocci has made, we believe, his finest wine yet. Destined to be allocated every year, this is a powerhouse that will please even the toughest critics.

Saturday, June 7th 21-4 June Cheap & Cheerful Wines AND Five great wines from Andrew Rich Winery FREE, FREE, FREE Tasting from 12-4 P.M.

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