Please join us for our Chardonnay Wine Tasting on Friday, July 10th from 4-7PM All Six Chardonnay's for \$23... remember you can share! Cheese, Dipping Oil & Bread from Cascade Baking Company included!

#### Here are the wines:

### 2008 Napa Cellars Napa Valley Chardonnay \$17.

Napa Cellars Chardonnay is our flagship wine. Every year the palate showcases huge fruit flavors reminiscent of tropical fruit, balanced by a layer of lemony acidity and a long, polished finish. Its moderate acidity makes it a more versatile Chardonnay when pairing with food.

# 2007 Newton Red Label Chardonnay \$20

Sonoma/Napa, California..... 63 % Napa, 37% Sonoma. A perfect everyday luxury, Newton Chardonnay is all about lively character and purity of fruit. A fresh expression of the varietal, delicate aromas of white flowers, crisp apple, and toasted bread translate to rich fruit flavor on the palate. A burst of freshness unfolds with flavors of citrus, pear, and apricot. A subtle presence of oak evolves into crisp acidity on the finish. The Winery.

### 2007 MacRostie Carneros Chardonnay \$20.

"Here is a deep and very nicely balanced Chardonnay that hits all the right varietal and winemaking markers without resorting to runaway ripeness, overdone oak or any enological tricks. Its very rich and well-composed flavors feature lots of energetic apple-like fruit juxtaposed with complementary touches of vanilla and spice, and its overall impression of depth and structural firmness argue for better to come if allowed a few years of cellar time." Connoisseurs' Guide

## 2007 Truchard Carneros Napa Valley \$32.50

Defines elegance and grace. Peach, pear and nectarine give this a complex mix of flavors, with lively acidity, smooth texture, a touch of creamy oak and a long, lingering finish. Drink now through 2012. 92 Points Wine Spectator

### 2006 Chateau St Jean Robert Young Vineyard \$26.

Perfumed floral, tangerine, nectarine and vibrant green pear give this full-bodied wine lots of lively flavors, ending with a long, clean finish that picks up a nice vanilla and honeysuckle note. Drink now through 2011. 92 Points Wine Spectator

### 2006 Newton Unfiltered Chardonnay Napa Valley \$55.

This review is for the 2005 Vintage. I am tasting the 2006 right now as I am writing this email and it is gorgeous! One of California's most glorious Chardonnays, and still somewhat under the radar, is the Newton 2005 Chardonnay Unfiltered. This is another wine that has the capacity in certain vintages to evolve for 8-10 years. A bottle of the 1991 I had recently was stunning (I rated it 92), and of course it was 16 years of age. There are 10,700 cases of this wine, which is put through full malolactic and bottle unfiltered with minimal manipulation. The 2005 is fabulous, and one of the best examples of this cuvee made at Newton. Notes of honeysuckle, poached pear, brioche, and white currants are present in this wine, which also exhibits some citrus oil and a subtle influence of new oak. Full-bodied, fleshy, and rich, with super purity and stature, this is a gorgeous Chardonnay that should drink nicely for 7-10 years. 96 Points Robert Parker

One of the most spectacularly beautiful vineyards, high on the lower slopes of Spring Mountain, is Newton Vineyards. Organically farmed and impeccably manicured, this was one of the first outposts to which famed Bordeaux consultant Michel Rolland came, and an entire

generation of winemakers formed by his brilliance have emerged from Newton. The overall style of the wine is one built on European elegance and longevity. The vintages from the early 1990s are still doing well, especially the 1990 and 1991. Next time you visit Napa Valley add Newton to your list...

## Cheers!

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