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**Good Evening,**

**As you know, our Friday night tasting is on Thursday night this week. I hope you can make this amazing Washington Cabernet Sauvignon wine tasting!**

**Friday night is our Leonetti Wine Maker Dinner With CHRIS FIGGINS! We have two spots open! If you are interested call us tomorrow at 503-589-0775. The menu and wines are attached for you to read. This dinner and wine tasting is going to be spectacular!**

**Special: Sausage, Onion & Gouda Flatbread**

**The tasting Washington Cabernet Sauvignon**

**When: Thursday, July 21st**

**Time: 4-8 P.M.**

**Cost: Full pour \$34 Half Pour: \$19**

**The Wines:**

**2013 DeLille Four Flags Cabernet Sauvignon Red Mountain \$75**

Up there with the incredible 2012, yet in a more focused, tight, backwards style, the inky colored 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Four Flags comes from four separate vineyards (Klipsun, Grand Ciel, Ciel du Cheval and Upchurch) and exhibits classic Red Mountain characteristics of black fruit, smoked herbs, licorice, graphite and dusty minerality on the nose. Possessing serious intensity, full-bodied richness, ripe, yet present tannin and a fabulous finish, it needs to be forgotten for 4-5 years, and it will drink beautifully through 2038. **95 Points Robert Parker**

**2013 Canvasback Cabernet Sauvignon \$42**

Made by Brian Rudin and a beautiful wine anyway you look at it, the 2013 Red Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon (there's 9% Merlot and 3% Malbec) is a full-bodied, ripe, layered effort that has terrific notes of loamy earth, truffle, wild herbs and assorted black fruits. Aged 16 months in 40% new oak, from seven different parcels on Red Mountain, it has the fruit and texture to drink nicely today, but will cruise for a decade or more. **92 Points Robert Parker**

**2012 Spring Mountain Fredrick \$49**

Slightly darker in color than the Uriah release, the 2012 Frederick checks in as a blend of 42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 17% Cabernet Franc, 8% Malbec and a splash of Petit Verdot. It's another classically styled, age-worthy wine from this estate that offers lots of tobacco leaf, lead pencil, currants and damp earth-like aromas and flavors. Elegant, ripe, medium to full-bodied and with fine tannin, enjoy it anytime over the coming 15 years **94 Points Robert Parker**

**2012 Gramercy Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon \$47**

The 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon is most likely the greatest vintage of this cuvee to date. Full-bodied, ripe, layered and yet still elegant and beautifully balanced, it offers classic currants, black raspberry, graphite, lead pencil and cedar aromas and flavors. A blend of 92% Cabernet and 8%

Merlot that saw 23 months in 40% new French oak, it has high-quality tannin, ample texture and a rock-star finish. This beauty will have two decades of longevity. **94 Points Robert Parker**

### **2013 L'Ecole No 41 Cabernet Sauvignon \$31**

Coming from vines averaging 20 years in age, the classic 2013 Columbia Valley Cabernet Sauvignon spent 22 months in 25% new French oak. It's a terrific value and has real Cabernet character in its damp herbs, blackcurrants, underbrush and graphite-scented bouquet. Medium to full-bodied, polished and textured, it's an impeccably made Cabernet to enjoy over the following 7-8 years, and I wouldn't be surprised to see it evolve nicely for longer. **89 Points Robert Parker**

### **2012 Zerba Cabernet Sauvignon \$36**

A varietal that needs no introduction. A near-perfect vintage has delivered a world-class Cab imbued with deliciously dark fruit, fine-grained tannins, and nuance to spare.

**CHEERS!!**

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### **2014 Toil Oregon \$55 Glass Pour: \$15.75 Sold Out at the winery**

Open-textured and inviting, layering the black cherry, currant, mineral and spice flavors on a polished frame, finishing with generosity and precision without excess weight. Drink now through 2024. 316 cases made. **94 Points Wine Spectator**

### **2013 Leonetti Sangiovese Walla Walla, WA \$92 Glass pour \$25**

The best example of this variety I tasted in just about every vintage, the 2013 Walla Walla Sangiovese offers real density and depth of fruit, as well as lots of black cherry, cedary spice, chocolate and leafy, herb-like aromas and flavors. Aged 22 months in once used French oak barrels, it has a seamless, if not voluptuous texture, no hard edges and a great finish. Drink it over the coming 8-10 years. **93 Points Robert Parker**

### **2014 Leonetti Merlot Walla Walla, WA. \$96 Glass pour \$26**

A soft, sexy and luxuriously textured red, the 2014 Walla Walla Merlot (there's 6% Cabernet Franc in the blend) is loaded with perfectly ripe notes of black currants, lead pencil shavings, charred earth and chocolate. Full-bodied and possessing a wealth of fruit, you have to hunt for the tannin, but they're there; still, fruit and texture are the name of the game here. The baby fat should slowly melt away and it should have 15 years or more of longevity. **93 Points Robert Parker**

### **2013 Figgins Estate Walla Walla, Wa. \$100 Glass Pour \$27**

The flagship is the 2013 Estate Red Wine, which is a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Petit Verdot that spent 20 months in 62% new French oak, with the balance in second fill barrels. Coming from a cooler, higher elevation site on the eastern edge of Walla Walla, this beauty possesses fabulous purity in its cassis and black raspberry fruit, violets, graphite and spring flower-like aromas and flavors. These give way to a full-bodied impeccably balanced 2013 that has fine tannin, nicely integrated acidity and a

great finish. I don't think it has the density of the 2012, but it shines for its overall harmony and purity. This beauty is enjoyable now, but should be at its best from 2020-2033. **94 Points Robert Parker**

**2013 Leonetti Reserve Walla Walla, WA 195**

Similar to the straight Cabernet release, the 2013 Walla Walla Reserve has even more Cabernet Sauvignon in the blend and is 81% Cabernet, 11% Petit Verdot and 8% Merlot. It does nicely in the vintage and has beautiful purity and elegant as well as textbook Cabernet notes of cassis, toasted spice, graphite, scorched earth and hints of chocolate. A touch fresher and more focused than the Cabernet Sauvignon release, this beautiful concentrated, impeccably balanced 2013 will need 4-5 years of cellaring and have 20-25 years of overall longevity. **96 Points Robert Parker**



Santiam Wine & Bistro  
Welcomes you to our legendary  
Winemaker dinner with Chris Figgins

**Friday, July 22, 2016**

5:30- 9 PM

Cost: \$125 + Gratuity

Guest Chef Jon Jones of Prologue Pastries

**2014 Toil Oregon Pinot Noir**

Poached Oregon salmon, local mushrooms, wild rice,  
Braised leeks, blackberry gastrique

**2013 Leonetti Cellar Sangiovese, Walla Walla, Washington**

Farmers market vegetable galette, whole wheat crust, caraway, triple  
cream brie

**2014 Leonetti Cellar Merlot, Walla Walla, Washington**

Beef Carnaccio with egg yolk, pecorino Romano, pea shoots, balsamic

cherries, and crostini

**2013 Leonetti Cellar Reserve, Walla Walla, Washington**

Grilled Painted Hills Petite Filet, port reduction, grilled figs and nectarines,  
braised mustard greens, sourdough

**2012 FIGGINS Estate Red Wine, Walla Walla, Washington**

Dark chocolate mousse, salted beer caramel, pecan crumble, edible  
flowers, sugared raspberry, orange zest