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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### 2010 SUMMER WINE EVENTS IN LAKE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

#### **Concert in the Vineyard Series, *Kelseyville***

*Saturday, May 29, 2010*

The Moore Family Winery kicks off the Concert in the Vineyard Series with The Rhythm Drivers & Sonny Lowe. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; concert begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a blanket or a low-back lounge chair. Wine, food, and soft drinks available for purchase. \$15 per person, children 12 and under free. 11990 Bottle Rock Road. (707) 738-0507, [www.moorefamilywinery.com](http://www.moorefamilywinery.com)

#### **Luau on The Lake, *Lower Lake***

*Saturday, June 5, 2010*

Set amid the Rolling Knolls Vineyard of Shannon Ridge Vineyards & Winery with stunning views of Clear Lake, event goers will dine on an array of island food, enjoy traditional Polynesian dancers, a fire eater display, pig roast buffet, music, and more. Tickets \$50, doors open at 6:00 p.m. (707) 994-3600.

#### **Release Party at Six Sigma Ranch and Winery, *Lower Lake***

*Saturday, June 5, 2010*

Taste the new releases from Six Sigma Ranch and Winery at this party on the Six Sigma crush pad. Great wines paired with tasty food. Reservations suggested. Six Sigma Ranch and Winery, 13372 Spruce Grove Road, Lower Lake. (707) 297-2927, [www.sixsigmaranch.com](http://www.sixsigmaranch.com)

#### **Concert in the Vineyard Series, *Kelseyville***

*Saturday, June 12, 2010*

The Moore Family Winery continues the Concert in the Vineyard Series with the Fargo Brothers and Colby and the Contrabands.. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; concert begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a blanket or low-back lounge chair. Wine, food, and soft drinks available for purchase. \$15 per person, children 12 and under free. 11990 Bottle Rock Road. (707) 738-0507, [www.moorefamilywinery.com](http://www.moorefamilywinery.com)

**Tulip Hill Winery Concert in the Garden, Nice**

*Saturday, June 12, 2010*

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy music in the garden. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. Music 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Includes wine tasting with food pairing and admission. Tulip Hill Winery, 4900 Bartlett Springs Road, Nice. (707) 274-9373, [www.tuliphillwinery.com](http://www.tuliphillwinery.com)

**Lake County Home Winemakers Festival, Lakeport**

*Saturday, June 26, 2010*

Eighth-annual festival for tasting the winemaking efforts of more than 40 Northern California amateurs, as well as those from leading Lake County commercial wineries. Tasters vote on their favorites. Live music will set the mood and plentiful food from local purveyors will be available. Tasting is \$15 per person in advance, \$20 at the door, and includes a commemorative wine glass and a chance to vote on the winners. 21 years and older. 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Park Street, Lakeport. (707) 277-7076, [www.clearlakeperformingarts.org](http://www.clearlakeperformingarts.org).

**Lavender Festival at Ceago, Nice**

*Saturday, June 26, 2010*

Each year, the fragrant fields of vibrant lavender blooms at Jim Fetzer's organic and biodynamic Ceago Vinegarden. Lavender is harvested and the plants distilled. Join the festivities at the annual lavender festival where the lavender is used to produce essential oils, soaps, and more which are for sale in the tasting room. Small fee. Ceago Vinegarden, 5115 E. Highway 20. (707) 274-1462, [www.ceago.com](http://www.ceago.com)

**Tulip Hill Winery Concert in the Garden, Nice**

*Saturday, July 3, 2010*

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy music in the garden. Doors open at 3:00 p.m.; music 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Includes wine tasting with food pairing and admission. Tulip Hill Winery, 4900 Bartlett Springs Road, Nice. (707) 274-9373, [www.tuliphillwinery.com](http://www.tuliphillwinery.com)

**Lake County Wine Adventure, Countywide**

*Saturday and Sunday, July 24 and 25, 2010*

Sixth-annual adventure gives guests a chance to explore "The Undiscovered Wine Country" of California's Lake County. Eventgoers can sample award-winning Lake County wines from more than 20 participating wineries plus mouth-watering hors d'oeuvres during this two-day event, which is held at wineries and tasting rooms throughout Lake County. Many locations offer barrel tastings, entertainment, and winery tours. After visiting participating wineries, wine "tourists" become eligible for a raffle drawing. Purchase of two-day Adventure Ticket, \$40, includes tasting at participating wineries and a logo wine glass. (800) 595-WINE (9463), [www.lakecountywineries.org](http://www.lakecountywineries.org)

**Concert in the Vineyard Series, Kelseyville**

*Saturday, July 24, 2010*

End the day of wine adventuring in Lake County at The Moore Family Winery at the Concert in the Vineyard Series featuring Lydia Pense & Cold Blood and The Lake County Stimulus Package. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; concert begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a blanket or low-back lounge chair. Wine, food, and softdrinks available for purchase. \$20 per person, children 12 and under free. 11990 Bottle Rock Road. (707) 738-0507, [www.moorefamilywinery.com](http://www.moorefamilywinery.com)

**Concert in the Vineyard Series, Kelseyville**

*Friday, August 13, 2010*

The Concert in the Vineyard Series at Moore Family Winery continues with The Whiskey Thieves. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; concert begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a blanket or a low-back lounge chair. Wine, food, and soft drinks available for purchase. \$15 per person, children 12 and under free. 11990 Bottle Rock Road. (707) 738-0507, [www.moorefamilywinery.com](http://www.moorefamilywinery.com)

**Wine and Food Pairing and Concert in the Garden at Tulip Hill Winery, Nice**

*Saturday, August 14, 2010*

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy music in the garden. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. Music 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Includes wine tasting with food pairing and admission. Tulip Hill Winery, 4900 Bartlett Springs Road, Nice. (707)274-9373, [www.tuliphillwinery.com](http://www.tuliphillwinery.com)

**A Taste of Lakeport, Lakeport**

*Friday, August 20, 2010*

Thirteenth-annual wine tasting event featuring food, wine tasting, live music, and dancing. Businesses in downtown Lakeport stay open late for the event and feature hors d'oeuvres and wine at the many tasting stations. Purchase of a tasting ticket includes a commemorative wine glass and a chance to win raffle prizes donated by the local businesses. Presented by Lakeport Main Street Association; a benefit for the revitalization of downtown Lakeport. 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Main Street, Lakeport. (707) 263-8843, [www.lakeportmainstreet.com](http://www.lakeportmainstreet.com)

**Concert in the Vineyard Series, Kelseyville**

*Saturday, August 21, 2010*

The Concert in the Vineyard Series at Moore Family Winery continues with Lightning Hand and Blind Monkey Bank. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; concert begins at 6:00 p.m. Bring a blanket or low-back lounge chair. Wine, food, and soft drinks available for purchase. \$15 per person, children 12 and under free. Series continues through September 2010. 11990 Bottle Rock Road. (707) 738-0507, [www.moorefamilywinery.com](http://www.moorefamilywinery.com)

**Tulip Hill Winery Concert in the Garden**

*Saturday, September 11, 2010*

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy music in the garden. Doors open at 3:00 p.m. Music 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Includes wine tasting with food pairing and admission. Series continue through September 2010. Tulip Hill Winery, 4900 Bartlett Springs Road, Nice. (707) 274-9373, [www.tuliphillwinery.com](http://www.tuliphillwinery.com)

**Lake County Wine Auction**

*Saturday, September 18, 2010*

Eleventh-annual gala charity event to be held at the beautiful Ceago Vinegarden. Live and silent auctions, wine and food, live music. 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Tickets \$125 per person. 5115 E. Highway 20, Nice. (866) 279-WINE, [www.winealliance.com](http://www.winealliance.com)

**People's Choice Wine Awards**

*Sunday, September 26, 2010*

Come taste and judge some of Lake County's finest award winning wines at Six Sigma Ranch and Winery in Lower Lake from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. **You** be the judge! 13372 Spruce Grove Road. (707)994-4068, [www.lakecountywineries.org](http://www.lakecountywineries.org)

**ONGOING**

**Specialty Tasting & Tidbits, Kelseyville**

*First Thursday of the month*

On the first Thursday of each month (May – August), Sommelier Stephanie Cruz-Green will offer a specialty wine tasting served with tasty tidbits and wine education pointers. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. 3940 Main Street. (707) 279-2112.

**Meet the Winemaker Series, Upper Lake**

*First Saturday of the month*

The Blue Wing Saloon & Café hosts the owner and/or winemaker of a great Lake County winery with special pairings of menu items with featured wines. Blue Wing Saloon & Café. 9520 Main Street. (707) 275-2233, [www.bluewingsaloon.com](http://www.bluewingsaloon.com)

**Meet the Winemaker/Artist, Upper Lake**

*First Friday and Saturday of the month*

On the first Friday and Saturday of the month, the Lake County Wine Studio (LCWS) showcases a local winery as the featured tasting for the evening. Local artists – photography, painting, and more – also will be featured. Friday 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., LCWS, 9505 Main Street. (707) 275-8030.

**Fondue Fridays, Upper Lake**

*Second, third, fourth, and fifth Friday of the month*

On the second, third, fourth, and fifth Friday of the month, the Lake County Wine Studio (LCWS) will offer a selection of fondue pots by 24-hour advance reservation, along with different Lake County wines. LCWS, 9505 Main Street. (707) 275-8030.

**Tuscan Village Music & Art Series, Lower Lake**

*Friday evenings*

Live music, great food, wine tasting, and arts and crafts. Outdoors in the orchard during summer; inside other seasons. Presented by 2Goombas Deli and Terrill Cellars. \$5 suggested donation. 16175 Main Street. (707) 994-3354, [www.terrillcellars.com](http://www.terrillcellars.com)

**Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market, Kelseyville**

*Every Saturday and Tuesday in May through October*

Local producers offer their freshest produce, eggs, baked goods, cheeses and crafts. Live music, 8:30 a.m. to noon. Saturdays at Steele Wines, 4350 Thomas Drive. Tuesdays at Kelseyville Lumber, 3555 North Main Street from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. (707) 263-6076. [www.lakecountyfarmersfinest.org](http://www.lakecountyfarmersfinest.org)

**TOURS**

**Langtry Estate and Vineyard Tours**

Guided tours of the historic vineyard travel to the higher elevation of Tephra Ridge for spectacular views of Guenoc Valley. Tours are offered Tuesday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Includes picnic-style lunch in the vineyard and wine tasting. \$45 per person. 48-hours advance reservations required. 21000 Butts Canyon Road, Middletown. (707) 987-2385, [www.langtryestate.com](http://www.langtryestate.com)

### **Tulip Hill Winery Tours**

Guided tour of the winery's production of world-class wines offered every Saturday at 1:30 p.m. Free. 4900 Bartlett Springs Road, Nice. (707) 274-9373, [www.tuliphillwinery.com](http://www.tuliphillwinery.com)

**Six Sigma Ranch Vines, Mines, and Wines Tour**  
Hop into the Six Sigma Ranch all terrain vehicle for the rugged ascent to the high-altitude Diamond Mine Vineyard.

Following the vineyard tour, return to the Stage Coach House for a tasting of current Six Sigma Winery releases.

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Allow 90 minutes. Weather permitting. \$125 per person. (707)994-4068,

[www.sixsigmaranch.com](http://www.sixsigmaranch.com)

A growing season with long warm days and cool nights, red volcanic soils, hillside and valley vineyards, and the moderating influence of California's largest natural freshwater lake all contribute to the region's growing reputation for producing ultra-premium winegrapes and award-winning wines. Many new wineries and tasting rooms have opened, several by well-known winemakers from other winegrowing regions. Along with next-door-neighbor world-famous wine regions Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino, Lake County is part of the North Coast AVA. Within Lake County, five other AVAs exist — Clear Lake AVA, Benmore Valley AVA, Guenoc AVA, and the recently approved Red Hills AVA and High Valley AVA.

Located in beautiful Northern California, Lake County is just two hours by car from the San Francisco Bay Area, the Sacramento Valley, and the Pacific Coast. Lake County is home to Clear Lake, the largest natural freshwater lake in California and possibly the oldest lake on the continent. Visitors to Lake County experience the state's cleanest air basin, spectacular scenic beauty, fine wines, and unsurpassed recreational opportunities — from hiking, biking, golf, and off-road adventures to boating, fishing, kayaking, birding, and even rockhounding. The local area code is 707. For visitor information, contact the Lake County Visitor Information Center at (800) 525-3743 or [www.lakecounty.com](http://www.lakecounty.com).

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