



# The Brotherhood of the Knights of the Vine®

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## Blessing of the Vines

*Saturday Afternoon • August 28 • 1:30 pm*

*Delaplane Cellars • Delaplane, VA*

On August 28, 2010, starting at 1:30 p.m., the [Knights of the Vine \(KOV\)](#) and [St. John the Evangelist Church](#) will be blessing the vines at [Delaplane Cellars](#). With candles, incense, prayers, and song, the priests, knights, and choir will perform a brief ceremony of thanksgiving and supplication for a great harvest. Afterwards a wine and appetizer reception will be held. All are welcome to attend the ceremony at no cost. Reservations for the \$25 reception may be obtained by calling **540-592-7210** or emailing [Info@DelaplaneCellars.com](mailto:Info@DelaplaneCellars.com). We hope that you can join us!

For reservations: please contact Delaplane Cellars directly, but inform me, if possible, if you plan to attend.

Dress: Summer appropriate with tastevines.

Directions: Take I-66 W to Exit 23. Exit onto US-17 N/VA-55 W/Winchester Rd toward Delaplane/Paris. Continue to follow US-17 N/Winchester Rd. for approximately 4 miles. Destination will be on the right.

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## Champagne, Salmon, & Caviar Cruise of the Memorials Washington's Main Street The Potomac River

*Departing From: Historic Port of Georgetowne  
Washington Harbour • 31st & K Street  
Saturday • September 25 • 5:45 pm*

We shall sail on the Nightingale for a lark of a time. The bubbly is being boasted, smoked salmon is being sampled, cheddar is being chosen, and other tidbits are being tasted to include a bit of caviar. All this will be for our friends who join us in a festive feast on the waters that give wonder to Washington.

This spectacular evening cruise on the Potomac provides a view of the City few see, but those who do, remain in awe.

After tough negotiations, the price will remain \$60 pp. To reserve your berth, please send your check made out to KOV, to Joe Alt, Treasurer KOV; 8201 Tis Well Drive; Alexandria, VA 22306.

#### NATIONAL NEWS:

Carol Bade has requested we have all articles submitted to The Arbor July 31. If you have any articles or photos you wish to submit, please do so directly, but please inform me. If you wish to submit photos please identify the persons and the events. Remember: The more you write, the less I must.

#### OTHER CHAPTER EVENTS:

Master Commander Ernie Grossman of the Lake Tahoe Chapter plans these events to complete the year:

August 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>. Napa Trip. Dinner Green Valley Country Club, special tasting at Phelps (including the Insignia), barrel tasting and blending our own cuvee for acquisition at the Blue Ribbon Veedercrest Winery (owned by Ron Fenolio), swimming and BBQ at the Fenolio Sonoma estate featuring Jacuzzi and Cline wines. \$135. May be sold out.


October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Assemblage at Sunnyside on Lake Tahoe. Black tie optional. 5:00 PM ceremony. Four course matched wine feast by one of Northern California's premiere chefs. Music, party favors. \$125.

November (TBA) Ladies of the Knight.

December 12<sup>th</sup>, annual holiday brunch. Where potato latkes and ham are served with equal dignity. Our home is open all day for this event. No cost.

See you at the Blessing!

Per Vitem! Ad Vitam!



Master Commander

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