



Off the vine

W I N E G R A P E I N S P E C T I O N P R O G R A M

2009 INSPECTION UPDATE

September 18th, 2009



Inspectors of the Winegrape Program have been very busy since July 30th testing and certifying the numerous loads of grapes being processed for wine in California.

Fresno District was the first to inspect in Reedley opening at the end of July. So far this season our hard working team has graded 18,233 loads.

Modesto District is following close behind with 17,158 loads graded.

Central Coast District has had a slow start due to weather conditions, and has inspected 989 loads.

The Inspectors are very experienced, and are probably getting a little tired at this point in the season. By the pay period ending 9-12-09 there have been about 21,000 regular hours and 2000 overtime hours worked.

Inspection has been quite typical for this time of year, we are about a third of the way towards the 2.2 million tons of grapes expected this season.

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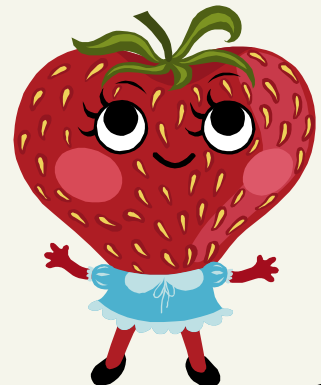
STRAWBERRY PIZZA

RECIPE OF THE MONTH
BY DEBBIE MARTIN

Crust: 2 Cups Flour, 2 sticks butter, Mix with fork and spread in pan. Cook until brown. (pizza pan or large cookie sheet)

Filling: 1 Cup cool whip, 1 Cup powdered sugar, Mix together and spread on cool crust.

Slice strawberries and mix in Marie Calendars glaze, spread over filling and refrigerate. Makes a family size pizza. MMM GOOD!!



**INSPECTION SERVICE
VALUABLE TO INDUSTRY**

Volume 36, Issue 3, May 2009 issue of “THE CRUSH”, published by the California Association of Winegrape Growers describes the Winegrape Inspection Program as a valuable program for the industry. “Without a doubt, the Winegrape Inspection Program (WIP), with its third party inspection, provides a valuable, unbiased inspection which both sides of the contract (wineries and growers) can trust.”

Interviews with former Winegrape Inspection Advisory Board chair Randy Lange, Emilio Miranda of Allied Grape Growers, and Bonnie Eubanks, Manager of the WIP, encompassed an overview of WIP operations, historical aspects, concerns, and possible future directions for the Winegrape Inspection Program.

The Crush newsletter is available to CAWG members at www.cawg.org.



**YOUR IDEA
COUNTS**

*Congratulations
Tina Cobb*

You earned a \$25.00 Bonus!

Assistant Managers are now using re-useable grocery bags to carry supplies to and from the Inspection platform.

Increasing Both Safety and Convenience

GRAPE FACTS

- California has more than 5,000,000 acres of wine grapes.
- It takes about 2 1/2 pounds of grapes to produce a bottle of wine.

Pop Quiz

What do you call the Seeds inside a Grape?

- A. Annoying
- B. Pips
- C. Hulls
- D. Brad's Pitts

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www.cwiab.org

**Happy Birthday to You!
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- Florentina Cobb Aug 2
- Bonnie Eubanks August 16
- Yadria Contreras Aug 18
- Justine Rusalin August 21
- Griselda Tamayo August 22

- Graciela Saucedo Sept 15
- Karen Laymon Sept 15
- Edith Miner Sept 16
- Thomas Garcia Sept 30



THANKS TO ALL 2008 INSPECTORS
ZERO TIME LOST ACCIDENTS

Returning Inspectors Received the 2009 Safety T-shirt Job Well Done!

Bonnie Eubanks, Justine Rusalín
Melissa Holley, Debbie Martin
Carol Davis, Jim Kelton
JoAnn Cooper, Debi Davis
Shirley Gauger, Peggy Grubbs
Jack Hays , Olga Melgoza
Ernestina Rodríguez, Fred Barker,
JoJo Fineza, Vue Lee
Juanita Zambrano, Leticia Perez
Belen Monteón, Griselda Tamayo
Bill Amundsen, Gary Dhesi, Shawnette
Walker, Andrea Hatfill
Terry Hansen-Cain, Connie Mendez,

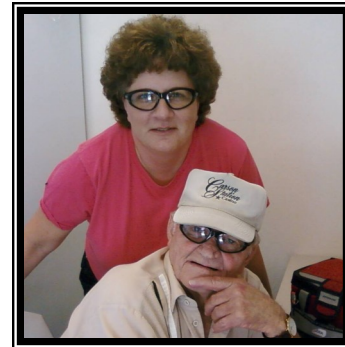


Teddy Mitchell, Tina Cobb
Isabel Garcia, John Baker
Tracey Autrey, Kris Burkett
Lena Hernandez, Karen Laymon
Terra Agueda, Karina Bolanos
Sandra Cancino, Asalia Lopez
Maria Goldman, Anastacio Nunez
Idalyn Alvarado, Lisa Andersen
Everardo Arroyo, Connie Chartrand
Yadira Contreas, Lorraine Stanfill
Doris Geisenheimer, Sandy Montemayor,
Natalie Rothenburg, Francisco Castellanos

Special Recognition



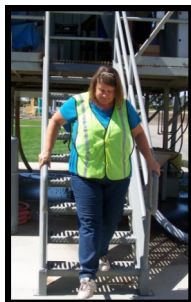
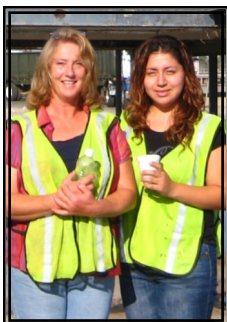
August 14th started off as a normal day for Tracy Autrey, but soon turned into something totally out of the ordinary. On this tragic day, one of our fellow Inspectors suffered a serious injury. Tracy deserves special recognition for her actions in providing immediate first aid and comfort to her co-worker. She took control of the situation and should be congratulated for a job well done.



Natalie Rothenburg and Jack Hays show off their safety glasses at Woodbridge



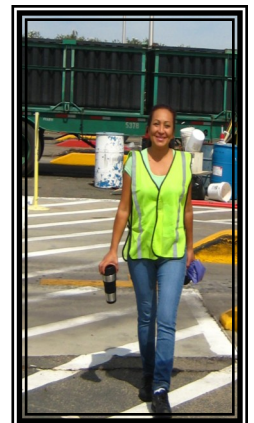
Esmeralda Cruz and Terry Hansen-Cain stay hydrated with a refreshing drink of water



Christine Salcido makes her way safely down the new stairs at TRV.
"Way to use the Handrails"

P A R K I N G L O T

- Park in assigned areas.
- Wear **Safety Vest** when walking in the parking lot or anywhere outside the Inspection platform.
- Make eye contact with truck drivers before crossing their path, making sure the driver acknowledges your presence.



Yadira Contreras makes her way across the busy parking lot at Gallo in Fresno

Orientation 2009—The Wild Bunch

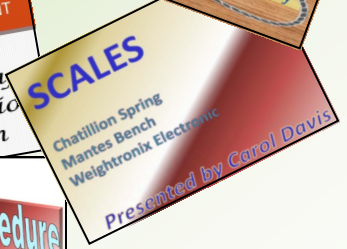
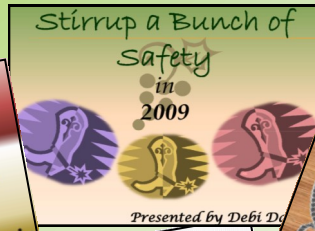
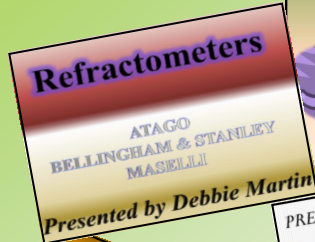
Industry Speakers

Danny Lucchesi
Delicato

Emilio Miranda
Allied Grape Growers

Thank You!

Training Focus



-Good Job Workstation Instructors-
Tracy Autrey, Fred Barker, Tina Cobb
Lorraine Stanfill, and Idalyn Alvarado



Congratulations Teams - Lost in the Wild West

Wild Wild West

Modesto
Amy Cornejo, Roger Snow,
Hilda Villasenor,
Andrea Hatfill,
Jamie Martinez,
Tamara McCoy,
John Baker, Debbie Martin

The Outlaws

Central Coast
Abraham Amaya,
Everardo Arroyo, Debi Davis

Dodge City

Fresno
Leticia Perez, Rebecca Ber-
mudez, Pang Chang,
Juanita Zambrano,
April Rodriguez, JoJo Fineza,
Rosemary Nieto, Carol Davis

