



JULIAN VAIL, LLC NEWS & NOTES



APRIL 10, 2009



Upcoming Board Meetings

Michigan Farm Marketing & Agri-Tourism Association

Board Meeting
April 14, 2009
1:00 pm
Tele-Conference

Upcoming Spring Events

Michigan Court Officer Deputy Sheriff Association

Spring Training Seminar
April 16 - 17, 2009
Crystal Mountain Resort
Thompsonville, MI
www.mcodsa.com

Michigan Equine Partnership

Annual Meeting
April 21, 2009
4-7 pm
Radisson Hotel
Lansing, MI



2009 MICHIGAN LEGISLATIVE SCHEDULE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

▪ Not in session week of April 13-17

SENATE

▪ Not in session week of April 13-17

Michigan Dry Bean Producers Approve Continuation Referendum

LANSING - Michigan dry bean producers have approved a referendum to continue the Michigan Bean Commission and its activities. The Michigan Bean Commission and program will continue for an additional five years beginning Jan. 1, 2010, and ending Dec. 31, 2014. The current assessment is \$.10 per hundredweight sold.

The Michigan Bean Commission was appointed to improve the economic position of the state's dry bean producers by: promoting research on bean varieties and agronomic practices as well as research on developing and discovering the health, food, therapeutic, and dietetic value of beans and bean products; carrying out market development, market research, and promotional programs; and compiling and publicizing commodity information.

Agriculturally Speaking...April is Michigan Wine Month

By Don Koivisto, director, Michigan Department of Agriculture

Michigan's grape and wine industries contribute nearly \$800 million dollars annually to our local economy and provide more than 5,000 jobs across the state. With 14,600 acres of vineyards and 2,000 acres devoted to wine grapes, Michigan is ranked as the fourth largest grape growing state, and eighth in wine grape growing production. Because wine and grape production is a long-term process, an investment in a Michigan vineyard is also a lasting commitment to Michigan's economy and workforce.

Excitement and interest in Michigan wines continues to grow with dramatic increases in sales over the last 10 years. The excellent quality of these local wines has been recognized with more than 800 medals awarded to Michigan wines in various regional and international competitions throughout 2008.

For more information regarding Michigan wines, please visit www.michiganwines.com.

2009 Michigan Wine Magazine Available!

Edition features new wineries and wines - www.michiganwines.com



The new edition of the popular Michigan Wine Country magazine is now available, kicking off "Michigan Wine Month" and marking the beginning of the 2009 touring season. It is an indispensable guide for touring Michigan's 64 wineries.

RECOGNIZING

Don Grant with Michigan Contract Security Association

Don Grant currently serves as the Vice President for the Michigan Contract Security Association and serves as Chair of the Legislative Committee. Grant is the President of Shepherd Security & Investigations, Inc located in Hazel Park, MI.

MCSA is having their Annual Meeting on May 13th from 3-5 PM at the Marriott Detroit Hotel at the Renaissance Center in Detroit, MI. This meeting is free to all those with an interest in Michigan's contract security industry.

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