



March 11, 2010, Ridge Vineyards:

In 1892 the first wines were produced on Monte Bello Ridge in the Santa Cruz Mountains at the site that would later become Ridge Vineyards. The modern history of the vineyards begins with their purchase by three engineers from the Stanford Research Institute. In 1969 they hired Paul Draper to be their winemaker and he began producing cabernet sauvignon from the Monte Bello vineyards which have become legendary in the history of California winemaking. In 2006 the 1971 and 1991 Montebello cabernet sauvignon vintages won first place in both the original vintage wine and new vintage wine categories at the "Judgment of Paris 30th Anniversary Wine Tasting" in London and California. Les Grand Prix Du Vin in Paris names Paul Draper as Personnalité de L'Année. In 2007 Paul Draper was given the James Beard Award for winemaking.

Ridge is now known not only for cabernet sauvignon but for some of the very best California zinfandels come from their Lytton Springs and Geyserville Vineyards. Since 1962 the winery has also produced a small amount of chardonnay. Dan Buckler will represent the winery at the dinner. \$100.00 per person

Reservations can be made for any of the events by calling the restaurant at 520-615-6100. For more details visit the restaurants website www.Janos.com.