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Southern Oregon Wine Institute Guide to the Southern Oregon Wine Institute (SOWI) 2007-2012

Creator: Southern Oregon Wine Institute **Title:** Southern Oregon Wine Institute (SOWI)

Dates: 2007-2012 **Quantity:** 3 linear feet

Collection Number: OWHA20

Summary: The Southern Oregon Wine Institute (SOWI) collection provides a history from the beginnings of the institution in 2008 to the addition to the new Danny Lang Teaching, Learning, and Event Center in 2012. It includes information on the institution's positive effect on the Oregon Wine industry, published studies and academic papers from the college, as well as published articles promoting the Oregon Wine Industry itself.

Repository

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Language: English

Historical Note

In 2008, the Southern Oregon Wine Institute (SOWI) was established at Umqua Community College (UCC). This institution held the state of Oregon's first viticulture and enology program outside the Willamette Valley.

The aim of the institution is to help grow Oregon's rich wine industry as well as the economy in the expanding wine region. The SOWI offers programs such as living laboratory of student-cultivated vineyards, commercial-scale winemaking facility, private testing facility to serve all regional winemakers, wine incubator to help artisans plan, start and market their wineries and save the significant costs of starting a winery, event center for conferences, meetings and receptions.

In 2008, Danny Lang, an attorney specialized in personal injury cases, donated \$800,000 to SOWI which was then used to build the Danny Lang Teaching, Learning and Event Center. Construction finished in 2012.

Content Description

This collection contains articles, newspapers and published academic studies promoting the Oregon Wine industry and the Southern Oregon Wine Institute. The collection also includes building plans, proposals, newspaper articles and design plans for the Danny Lang Teaching, Learning and Event Center in addition to various SOWI memorabilia and promotional documents.

Restrictions on Access

Access is by appointment only. Please contact the archivist to make an appointment.

Preferred Citation

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Provenance

Dr. Blaine D. Nisson, president of Umpqua Community College donated Southern Oregon Wine Industry papers to the Linfield College Archives on June 24, 2013.

Location of Originals

Jereld R. Nicholson Library, Linfield College

Processing Information

Processed by archives technician Camille Weber, with the assistance of archivist Rachael Cristine Woody.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into five boxes.

Box 1

Folder 1: News Articles Promoting SOWI (2009-2012)

Folder 2: SOWI Promotional Materials

Folder 3: Newspaper/ Articles Promoting Oregon Wine (Jan 2010-March 2012)

Folder 4: Promoting Oregon Wine: Academic/Published Studies (undated, 2011)

Folder 5: Peter Lang Donation Articles (March-May 2010)

Folder 6: Richard Sommer Death Newspapers (Aug. 2009)

Box 2: Danny Lang Teaching, Learning and Event Center building plans and construction documents, 2009

Box 3: SOWI Memorabilia, circa 2009

Box 4: Cellars First Class 2009 Wine, 2009

Box 5: Wine Glasses