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Dr. Fred and Mary Benoit
Guide to the Chateau Benoit Collection
1970-1999

Creator: Dr. Fred and Mary Benoit
Title: Chateau Benoit Collection
Summary: This collection is comprised of a large variety of publications, documents, photographs, books, and other materials from Fred and Mary Benoit’s time as owners of Chateau Benoit.
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Biographical Note
Chateau Benoit was established in 1979 by Fred and Mary Benoit. Fred Benoit had always been interested in farming because his family had always been agriculturally oriented while he was growing up. After Fred retired from his career as a physician, he followed his dream of getting back to the land, and he and his wife Mary planted their first vineyard just outside of Salem. They planted not long after the modern Oregon wine pioneers had started and the Benoits were able to receive help from those who came before them. Fred and Mary were involved in several organizations during their time in the industry, including Knights of the Vine, the Oregon Winery Association, and Mary was a part of Women for Wine Sense.

After many years growing grapes for Chateau Benoit, they finally decided to officially retire and sell to Anne Amie Vineyards.
Content Description
This collection contains publications, photographs and documents pertaining to the Winegrowers Council of Oregon, as well as event information from the period Fred and Mary Benoit owned Chateau Benoit (1979-1999). Some of the publications include: *The Oregon Wine Publication*, *The Tendril*, *NW Wine Almanac*, various books, handbooks, and more. These publications range from the years 1970 to 1999. There are numerous documents relating to different events Chateau Benoit put on, attended, or were invited to. There are also many publications and documents from the Benoit’s time as members in the Wine Growers Association.

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

Preferred Citation

Provenance
Fred and Mary Benoit donated the Chateau Benoit collection to the Linfield College Archives on September 13, 2017.

Location of Originals
Jereld R. Nicholson Library, Linfield College

Processing Information
Processed by archives technician Tia Elder, with the assistance of archivist Rich Schmidt.

Arrangement
The collection is arranged into 5 series:

Series 2: Events,
Series 3: Photographs
Series 4: Winegrowers Council of Oregon
Series 5: Miscellaneous

Series 1: Publications
This series is a collection of publications of various mediums highlighting Chateau Benoit and Oregon wine from 1970-1999. The series contains various newspapers, magazines, books, handbooks, and newspaper clippings.

Box 1
Folder 1: *Oregon Wine Calendar*, 1985
Folder 2: *Oregon Wine Calendar*, 1986
Folder 3: *Oregon Wine Calendar*, 1987
Folder 4: *Oregon Wine Calendar*, 1987

Box 2
Folder 1: *Oregon Wine*, 1988
Folder 2: *Oregon Wine*, 1989
Folder 3: *Oregon Wine*, 1990
Folder 4: *Oregon Wine*, 1991

Box 3
Folder 1: *Oregon Wine Calendar*, 1994-1995

Box 4
Folder 1: *Northwest Grape Grower and Winemaker*, 1984-1985

Box 5
Folder 1: *Northwest Wine Almanac*, 1984-1985
Folder 2: *Northwest Wine Almanac*, 1986
Folder 3: *Northwest Wine Almanac*, 1987

Box 6
Folder 1: *Oregon Wine Review*, 1983-87
Folder 2: OSU Publications
Folder 4: *Eating and Drinking Society of Oregon*, 1982-84
Folder 5: *The Tendril*, 1989-91
Folder 6: *Chateau Benoit News*, 1980-89
Folder 7: *PNW Wine Connection Newsletter*, 1984-85
Folder 8: Miscellaneous Publications
Folder 9: Miscellaneous Newspapers

Box 7
Folder 1: Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings
Folder 2: Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings
Folder 3: Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings

Box 8: Books and Publications
Winery Tours By: Tom Stockley
Wine and the Artist Commentary By Dr. Joseph Armstrong Baird, Jr.
Oregon Insect Control Handbook, 1976 Compiled by Joseph Capizzi
Oregon Insect Control Handbook, 1973 Compiled by Joseph Capizzi
Pesticide Applicator Certification Training Manuel
Oregon Plant Disease Control Handbook, 1976
Oregon Weed Control Handbook, April 1973

Box 9
Simplified Monthly Bookkeeping Record By Nicholas Picchione
Oregon Winegrape Grower’s Guide
A Study of Beverage Alcohol Consumption Patterns: Occasions and Lifestyles
Chateau Benoit promotional video by Vineyard Mountain Studios

Series 3: Events
This series is a collection of documents, invitations, awards and advertisements highlighting the events Fred and Mary Benoit were a part of.

Box 10
Folder 1: On Stage With Cupid Event
Folder 2: Chateau Benoit Release and Harvest Parties
Folder 3: Yamhill County Wineries Association Events
Folder 4: Oregon Winegrowers Summerfest Event
Folder 5: Event Invitations
Folder 6: Winegrowers Council of Oregon Holiday Banquet
Folder 7: The Treehouse Food and Wine Events
Folder 8: Food and Wine Events
Folder 9: Greatest of the Grape Event
Folder 10: Tri-Cities Northwest Wine Festival
Folder 11: Oregon State Fair Events
Folder 12: Enological Society Wine Festival
Folder 13: Oregon State Fair Judging Results
Folder 14: Certificates of Appreciation
Folder 15: Tacoma Wine Festival Awards
Folder 16: West Coast Wine Competition Awards
Folder 17: Harvest Celebrations
Folder 18: Neskowin Valley School Oregon Wine Tasting
Folder 19: Advertisements for Events
Folder 20: Miscellaneous Awards
Folder 21: Miscellaneous Events

Box 11
Folder 1: OMSI Epicurean Experience 1981-86
Folder 2: Bastille Day
Series 3: Photos
Approximately 2 Dozen Photos

Series 4
This series is composed of documents and publications relating to the Winegrowers Council of Oregon while Fred and Mary Benoit were members.

Box 12
Folder 1: Events
Folder 2: Invitations
Folder 3: Ballots and Questionnaires
Folder 4: Meeting Announcements
Folder 5: Proposed Bylaws
Folder 6: Minutes of the Wine Committee Meeting
Folder 7: Oregon Grapevine Newsletter, 1979
Folder 8: The Oregon Grapevine, 1980-1984
Folder 9: The Oregon Grapevine, 1985-1989
Folder 10: Miscellaneous Oregon Grapevine
Folder 11: Winegrowers Council of Oregon Newsletter, 1974-1979
Folder 12: Oregon Grapevine Newsletter, 1979
Folder 13: Letters to Wine Growers Council of Oregon Member
Folder 14: Oregon Winegrowers Association Newsletters, Unknown Dates
Folder 15: Miscellaneous

Series 5:
Miscellaneous

Box 13
Folder 1: Label
Folder 2: Table Wine Research Advisory Board
Folder 3: American Wine Appreciation Week
Folder 4: Oregon Liquor Control Commission
Folder 5: Enological Society of the Pacific Northwest
Folder 6: Wine Advisory Board and Research Report
Folder 7: Correspondence
Folder 8: Oregon Wines and Wineries Pamphlets
Folder 9: Taste of Oregon Yamhill County Winery Pamphlets
Folder 10: Discover Oregon Wineries Pamphlets
Folder 11: Miscellaneous Pamphlets
Folder 12: Miscellaneous Documents
Folder 13: Miscellaneous Ribbons, Stickers, and Business Cards