

Fresno State Viticulture Club - Est. 1952

Dear Alumni & Friends of Fresno State's Viticulture & Enology Program

The Viticulture Club at Fresno State is pleased to announce that our **66th Annual Fall Harvest Barbeque will be held on Friday evening, November 16, 2018** in Sanger, just a few miles southeast of Fresno. You and your organization are invited to reconnect with friends and alumni at this popular event which will help support our viticulture and enology students and programs at Fresno State.

About Us. The Viticulture Club is proud to be the oldest and one of the most dynamic clubs at Fresno State. This 66th anniversary milestone would not be possible without the continued support from alumni and friends like you. For the last several years we have had sell-out crowds at our Fall Harvest BBQ with over 300 guests from all over the state!

Ways to Give. We value the support we receive and encourage you to consider joining us at the BBQ on November 16th. Even if you are unable to attend, we invite you to make a charitable contribution to our silent and/or live auctions, donate wines for pouring during dinner, or make a cash donation to help offset expenses. Arrangements can be made to pick up donations, if unable to ship. All donations are tax deductible and all sponsors for this fundraiser will be prominently recognized in our program.

Why Your Support Matters. As future members of the grape and wine industry, we are committed to doing great things for the department and industry while we learn from and engage with our alumni and friends. Our organization consists of both viticulture and enology students that are passionate about joining the industry.

- Each year the Viticulture Club visits a major wine growing region of California where students meet with viticulturists from both small and large commercial vineyards and have a chance to discuss various vineyard

management techniques and winemaking practices consistent with the regions.

- Each year we host the California FFA Vine Pruning and Vine Judging State Championships held at Fresno State which allows high school students to explore the possibility of pursuing a degree and a career in the viticulture industry.
- In January, our student members are able to attend the Annual Unified Symposium in Sacramento due to funds raised at our Fall Harvest BBQ.
- We also gave back to the community and department by sponsoring an annual student scholarship, supporting the V. E. Petrucci Library in the Department of Viticulture and Enology, and volunteering at various industry and community events.

Your help and support are greatly needed and appreciated! By supporting the Viticulture Club, you are helping invest in the future of our students while recognizing the hard work of the members that came before us, beginning in 1952.

On behalf of the 2018-2019 Viticulture Club officers and members, we look forward to hearing from you soon and thank you for supporting our 2018 Annual Fall Harvest Barbeque. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,



Eddie Rios, President
Fresno State Viticulture Club 2018-2019
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____ Cash Donation: I am enclosing a cash donation to support the Viticulture Club and its mission, payable to the Fresno State Viticulture Club (mail check to the Viticulture Club at the address below by November 5 or donate by credit card online)
____ Please contact me about purchasing a **reserved table** for my company/party at the Fall Harvest BBQ on November 16.
____ Sorry, I am **unable** to donate at this time. Please contact me next year.
____ I am a Fresno State viticulture or enology alumnus.

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