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HALLOWEEN, HOLIDAYS AND MORE AT FRANCIS FORD COPPOLA WINERY

Winery unveils exciting, new events to celebrate the seasons

GEYSERVILLE, Calif. (October 22, 2012) – [Francis Ford Coppola Winery](http://www.francisfordcoppolawinery.com) is excited to announce some amazing things happening at the property during the fall and winter months. People of all ages may now enjoy more festivities at Coppola’s “Wine Wonderland.” From Halloween happenings to Christmas-themed activities – there is something for everyone looking to celebrate the holidays.

Start the festivities on October 27 with the **HARVEST AND HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL**. With a magician, juggler and balloon artist on-hand, kids and parents will be delighted this Halloween season. Guests may enjoy many other activities including a ring toss and ping pong toss, face painting, pumpkin decorating and drawing. The Pumpkin Fairy Godmother™ will also be on-hand to grant harvest wishes. The carnival will take place from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 with proceeds benefitting the Healthcare Foundation of Northern Sonoma. Tickets may be purchased at <http://coppolahalloween2012.eventbrite.com/#>.

Guests may also enjoy **HALLOWEEN CANDY AND WINE PAIRING**, which begins October 20 and runs through October 31. In the Tasting Room, select Coppola wines will be paired with traditional Halloween candy. Guests may sample such pairings as candy corn and Chardonnay among others. This Halloween themed tasting is \$10, 21 and over.

Starting November 5, the winery will have a special attraction - a **SCARECROW IN THE WINERY PARK**. Created by a local artist, the scarecrow will be available in the Winery Park until November 30, adding to the fun and festive fall atmosphere.

The **DIAMOND YACHT CLUB** is an interactive and fun way to enjoy the pool during the winter months. Beginning on November 5 through March 2013, visitors to the winery may rent motorized remote control boats and sail them in the pool. Diamond Yacht Club will be offered daily from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. and the cost is \$10/ 30 minutes. Boats will also be available for purchase.

FRIDAY NIGHT WINES BY THE FIRE launches on November 9 and will be offered through March 2013. Each Friday evening from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m., guests may enjoy Friday Night Wines

by the Fire on the property's Lower Terrace overlooking the Alexander Valley vineyards. No reservations are necessary and the cost is \$15 for a flight of four wines.

Beginning December 1 - December 23, guests are invited to partake in **HOLIDAY CRAFTS** on Saturdays and Sundays from 12 – 3 p.m. A sampling of Holiday Crafts that will be offered include hands-on creations of snowflakes, snow globes, cookie decorating and more. The fee is \$5/ person.

One of the most visually enticing holiday festivities from Francis Ford Coppola Winery is the **COMMUNITY OF TREES**, a collection of decorated Christmas trees on display throughout the Winery Park. The Community of Trees will be featured from November 30 - December 10. The winery is partnering with Northern Sonoma County elementary schools. Each participating school class will have the opportunity to decorate a tree and deliver it to the winery's Community of Trees, where a silent auction will take place in which guests may bid on the trees. All proceeds from the silent auction will be donated to the corresponding schools.

Rustic restaurant offers **KIDS EAT FREE** from November 1 – November 18, where children under 12 eat for free from the kids menu if accompanied by an adult purchasing an entrée. Children will also receive a free soda or lemonade, and if a parent comes with two children, both children eat free.

For more information on these and other winery happenings, please visit www.FrancisCoppolaWinery.com or call Guest Reception at (707) 857-1471. Schedule updates can also be found on the winery's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CoppolaWine.

About Francis Ford Coppola Winery

Francis puts it best, saying the winery is “a wine wonderland, a park of pleasure where people of all ages can enjoy all the best things in life – food, wine, music, dancing, games, swimming and performances of all types. “A place to celebrate the love of life.” Francis Ford Coppola Winery is located at 300 Via Archimedes in Geyserville, California, accessed from US HWY 101 and the INDEPENDENCE LANE exit. Among the many unique attractions at the property, Francis Ford Coppola Winery features wine tasting, two restaurants, a swimming pool, a movie gallery, a performing arts Pavilion and a park area with game tables and bocce courts. Francis Ford Coppola Winery opens at 11 a.m. daily. For more information, call (707) 857-1400, toll free (877) 590-3329 or visit www.FrancisCoppolaWinery.com.

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