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Experience the Winery & Vineyards

Off the Vine is a boutique winery featuring handcrafted, award-winning wines served in an old world setting. Stop by and spend a little time in our cozy cantina! Try our wonderful food items, paired with your favorite Off the Vine wine and enjoy our inviting atmosphere. Ask any of our wine servers about the wines, upcoming events, or new wine releases. We will be waiting to assist you and make your visit to Off the Vine special.

With a large group or bus tour? We take pride in making your visit to Off the Vine a personalized experience. So that we may spend an appropriate amount of time assisting each and every one of our valued customers, we ask that you please call ahead to ensure we have the staff and seating available to accommodate all of your guests.

Hours

Wednesday: Noon-4:00pm

Thursday: Noon-8:00pm

Friday: Noon-10:00pm

Saturday: Noon-10:00pm

Sunday: Noon-5:00pm

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About Page

Johnson Family Vineyard History

In 1944, Cosmo Anthony Johnson owned and operated a small winery in Ashtabula, Ohio, serving the local area with wine and fresh pressed juice. As wine consumption in America declined, and beer came into favor, he closed the winery and went to work for the New York Central Railroad. In 1957, having his fill of working for someone else, he started a small railroad construction company. He asked his son and daughter-in-law, Larry & Ida, to join the company in 1962. By the mid 70's, Larry's sons and nephews began working in the railroad industry.

One day in 1974, on the way back from work, Cosmo directed his grandson Larry Jr. to jump the fence surrounding the Burkholder farm and pick some fresh grapes. This small event brought the dream of this winery to our family. In 1991, Larry Jr. read in the paper that a grape farm was being auctioned. He recognized it as the same farmland where he had jumped the fence to grab a cluster of grapes with his grandfather. On the following weekend the family gathered at the auction and with one giant leap of faith bought the farm.

Since 2002 the dream of owning a winery has become Larry Jr's. and his wife Kim's reality. This event tied the generations back together.

"We dedicate, in our grandfather's memory, Off the Vine. Just as important and influential in our families' lives are our parents, Larry & Ida Laurello. They continue to own and operate Delta Railroad Construction, Inc. Both have been instrumental in bringing about the dream of the winery." They can be found periodically sipping wine on the weekends with family & friends.

Reviews

Kim & Larry,

I can't believe it is going on 9 years since you opened. Each and every time we come to your cantina we are welcomed by the entire staff. The food is yummy and the wines unique and fabulous. We are impressed with all the compliments you have made at the winery and always look forward to our visit from Cleveland.

Guy & Georgia

Visited the winery this December 2010 and was delighted with the customer service and friendliness of Susan. She is a positive addition to the Laurello staff. She was also assisted by Stefanie who was very warm and helpful when Susan needed to greet other incoming guests. Not only do we love the food and wine but the warm and welcoming of the entire staff. Keep up the good work.

Kathy & Jim

Susan,

Just wanted to say thank you for a fabulous job you did with all of us(16 to be exact) when we visited this December unannounced. You made the wine tasting very enjoyable and we enjoyed all our purchases this Christmas. We will be back up to see you soon.

Jerry

Dear Enrique,

Thank you very much for your hospitality, knowledge and kindness while I visited Off the Vine Vineyards. I enjoyed your fine wines and company.

Hope all is well,

Regina R.

Enrique,

Thank you so much for taking the time to help educate Sarah, Joan, and I this past Wednesday. You gave our visit a memorable and warm experience.

Sincerely,

Lori McL.

Dear Kim and Larry,

I cannot compliment you enough for a wonderful evening. I will say this to you. I have never enjoyed myself more at one of my own parties as I did the night of the wine tasting at our home. Kim, you far exceeded any expectations I had with your kindness and warmth and very capable hands. You took care of everything giving me the absolute JOY of seeing our friends enjoyment! Ken and I entertain in our home often, but I never felt so at ease or confident that everyone at the party was having the best time.

You and Larry offer a wonderful gift. Your pride and the passion you have for the wine you make is well deserved. The gift is, with your wine, you bring people together to put stress and worry aside and enjoy life through love and friendship and that is what life should be all about. It is obvious that you both derive pleasure through your giving. Ken and I, along with family and friends will enjoy your delicious wine and good times for years to come.

With sincere gratitude,

Ken and Wendy S.

Dear Kim & Larry,

Thank you for a great Valentine's Day Dinner. It was a great night and a beautiful dinner. We only had four days with my cousin and your dinner was the hit of the weekend. I'm sure it was a lot of work and it was worth all your efforts, it was wonderful.

Thanks again.

Diane M.