Don’t miss the perfect chance to broaden your understanding of grape growing and wine making. Online classes are forming and now is the time to join this one of a kind grape and wine education program. Click [http://www.vesta-usa.org](http://www.vesta-usa.org) for more information.

**Winter and Spring Course Enrollment Dates**

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**Friends of VESTA**


**Upcoming VESTA Workshops**

- **Introduction to Wine Microorganisms Workshop**
  December 10-11, 2011 at Elmaro Vineyard, Trempealeau, WI
  Please click [here](#) for more information.

- **Wine Sensory Evaluation Workshop**
  January 27-28, 2012 at the Landmark Executive Center, Santa Rosa, CA
  Please click [here](#) for more information.

**Welcome New VESTA Instructors**

VESTA is pleased to welcome
Dr. Chandra Richter of E&J Gallo Winery as the new Introduction to Enology, section 3 course instructor
and
Mr. Gill Giese of Virginia Tech University as the new Spring Viticulture Technology instructor

**VESTA’s Fourth Annual Student Wine Showcase**

An event to showcase commercial and/or homemade wines made by VESTA students at the 2012 Midwest Regional Wine and Grape Conference February 9-12.

For more information on eligibility and registration, please click [here](#).

**Early VIN 266 Start Date**

Please note that VESTA VIN 266-Sensory Evaluation course will begin on January 9th for the Spring 2012 Semester. If you wish to register for the course, the deadline is December 9, 2011.

**VESTA Student Profile—Greg Gordy**

When most people think of retirement, starting a brand new career is not what normally comes to mind. However, when VESTA student Greg Gordy retired from the Air Force in 2010, he already had a plan of what he’d like to do, which included planting his own vineyard and developing a strategy of how to open his own winery.

Please click [here](#) to read the full story.

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