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**Chatham Hill Winery, Celebrating 10 Years as the First Winery in the Triangle,
Welcomes Spring with Events Beginning with Thieving from the Barrel**

Looking for something fun to do, taste award-winning wines made in North Carolina and is affordable?

Cary/Morrisville (March 5, 2009) - Tired of hearing the same old stories about the spiraling economy? Chatham Hill Winery, producers of award-winning North Carolina wines, has just the thing to take your mind off the somber news. In addition to the usual winery tours and wine tasting, Chatham Hill has other fun things happening at the winery in March. You may learn more about the following events at their web site: www.chathamhillwine.com

Welcome Spring Barrel Tasting Party! – Saturday, March 7, 1-4:00. Join Owner and Winemaker, Marek Wojciechowski, for thieving from the oak barrels, cheese and fun (not necessarily in that order!) in our lovely Winemaker’s Barrel Room. No reservations required. \$15.00 Wine tasting and winery tours conducted throughout the day, \$5.00.

Artist Reception: Meet the Artists, enjoy the Tango demo and live music – Sunday, March 8, 2-5:00. Artists Jo-C Gaston and Blaine Nashold will exhibit their paintings in the Chatham Hill Winery Tasting Room Gallery during March & April. The show, which is entitled *It Takes Two*, is based upon a dance theme. On Sunday, a “lively” Artist Reception will be held. FREE to attend. Wine will be available for purchase by the bottle or the glass. Wine tasting conducted at Tasting Bar throughout the day \$5.00. Details: www.chathamhillwine.com

ACC Weekend & St. Patrick’s Celebration – Saturday and Sunday, March 14 and 15. Saturday, March 14, 12-6:00 – Chase the blues away: Chatham Hill Winery will celebrate the **green** and the luck of the Irish with special events throughout the day. Taste some red, white and, yes, **GREEN** wine...Pinot Green-gio! Get into the Irish mood with Irish music provided by Mark McNally who hails from the

original Emerald Isle (2-6:00). Irish cheese, bread available and other fun activities like a Leprechaun Toss! Details: www.chathamhillwine.com

Sunday, March 15, 1-5:00 – Hang at Chatham Hill Winery and watch the ACC games. Pizzas will be ordered on request, cheese and wine available for purchase. Tour the winery with the winemaker and owner at 2:00. Wine tasting conducted at Tasting Bar throughout the day.

Wine Tasting for Singles – Thursday, March 19th, 7-9:00. A unique, hip and fun way to meet new people. Munch, Sip and Relax. \$20.00. Price includes an introduction to wine tasting, wine tasting of six wines, winery tour and a souvenir Chatham Hill Winery wine glass as well as cheese and music. Wine will be available for purchase by the bottle or the glass. Mingle and meet! Reservations and prepayment required – details: www.chathamhillwine.com

Make Your Life a Little Sweeter – Pairing Wine & Chocolate, Saturday, March 21st, 2 to 4:00. Up for a delicious afternoon of tasty treats and tips on pairing wine and chocolate featuring Chatham Hill Winery's Award Winning wines and chocolates from The Chocolate Lab? The winery will have two experts on hand, a Chocolatier and Chatham Hill's Owner and Winemaker. Learn and experience first hand how and why chocolate pairs with wine. Cost: \$25.00. Reservations and prepayment required - details: www.chathamhillwine.com

International Food & Wine Pairing Series – Wine and Food from Spain - Tuesday, March 24st, 7-9:00. Join a Chef and Wine Expert as they guide you through a tour of Spain through pairing of food and wine. Chef will prepare an assortment of three Tapas, Gazpacho, and Tortilla a la Espanola and Wine Expert will explain wine pairing. Cost: \$40.00– Reservations and prepayment required – details: www.chathamhillwine.com

Fine Wine & Music Friday, Friday, March 27th, After Work-9:00. Looking for a way to chill after a long week at work? Chatham Hill Winery has just the thing. The winery will remain open late so you and colleagues can relax and unwind with some great wine and live music. \$5.00 Cover - details: www.chathamhillwine.com

Breathing Wine? Why would I want to aerate wine? - Saturday, March 28th, 2:00 and 4:00. An easy and experiential introduction to what it means for wine to 'breathe' and how this can and boost the aromas and flavors of red wines. Through a demo and taste, you too will be able to taste the difference a simple step or two can make in your wine enjoyment. Learn about decanting and the latest rage, the

Vinturi Essential Wine Aerator. Speak like a pro and impress your friends at your next wine tasting party! Cost: \$8.00 – details: www.chathamhillwine.com

It's Murder Mystery Time at Chatham Hill Winery – *Murder on the Vine*, Saturday, March 28, 7-10:00. Murder with the means, motive & opportunity to laugh, and enjoy a nice glass of wine! The evening begins with a mix and mingle during which you will meet the suspects - and the ghost of Renee, and explore the winery. Can you determine who the killer is? Cost: \$40.00 includes light fare. Wine will be available for purchase by the bottle. Reservations & prepayment required (919.380-7135) – details: www.chathamhillwine.com

[Media are invited to attend events. Please let us know if you need more information by contacting Jill Winkler at 919-380-7135 or jill@chathamhillwine.com]

About Chatham Hill Winery:

Chatham Hill Winery, established in 1999 as the first winery in the Triangle, is a boutique winery hosting wine tasting, winery tours as well as private and corporate functions and meetings. Its mission is to produce distinctive, handcrafted wines of high quality as well as provide a source for learning about the enjoyment of wine. The winery currently produces two distinctive brands of wines: French style wines under the Chatham Hill label and the line of unique, semi-sweet fruit-infused wines under the Sweet Carolina label. Conveniently located moments from I-40, south of the RDU Airport, Chatham Hill Winery produces 8,000 cases of wine per year and is distributed throughout the state of NC. For additional information, contact Jill Winkler or visit www.chathamhillwine.com

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