

THE STICKLEY MUSEUM AT CRAFTSMAN FARMS

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DON'T MISS THIS FUN PARTY!



Come to GPI a day early to party the night away on Thursday, February 16.

This evening of **casual fun** will take place in the Homespun Shops of Biltmore Industries, just steps from GPI. Choose one of two seatings and then join us at our welcome table in the Estes-Winn Memorial Automobile Museum, which will be open just for us. Stroll into the **Groewood Gallery** for cocktail hour where you can enjoy local crafts, as well as drinks, and appetizers. In keeping with our local theme, we invite you to try **locally brewed beers** such as **Highland Gaelic Ale, Highland Oatmeal Porter, and Highland Kashmir I.P.A.,** and wines like the **Biltmore Estate Pinot Grigio.**

Dinner will be served in the **Groewood Café** which was originally the woodworking shop. The menu will include many **regional treats** like **fried North Carolina trout, hush puppies, smoked pork loin with coffee molasses BBQ sauce, Texas caviar (black-eyed peas, red wine vinegar, jalapeños and green beans), spiced shrimp, and blackened chicken.**

To liven it up even more, "**Country Farm,**" a **North Carolina bluegrass string-band** will perform **toe-tapping music** throughout the evening.

During dinner, **all guests will be entered into drawings for unique Arts and Crafts prizes.**

An exciting part of the evening will be a **fascinating and entertaining lecture by well-known author, historian and art potter, Rodney Leftwich.** In his talk, *The Pottery Tradition of Western North Carolina*, Rodney will cover a range of topics, all with the common denominator — Western North Carolina, and specifically, the Asheville area.

He will discuss Buncombe County's first potteries, which were utilitarian and created crocks, jugs and churns with earth toned wood ash glazes which were influenced by the potteries of Edgefield, S.C. As a result, Buncombe county potters also created the first "face jugs" in North Carolina.

Learn about the creations of Walter B. Stephen, well known for his cameo wares done in pate-sur-pate and for his crystalline glazes - the first in the South. Rodney will also discuss Stephen's friend, Oscar Bachelder of Luther, North Carolina.

GPI KICK-OFF PARTY R.S.V.P.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

FIRST SEATING:

5:30 -6:30 Registration, cocktails and museum visits

6:30 Dinner in the Groewood Cafe

7:45 Dessert in Groewood Gallery

The Pottery Tradition of Western North Carolina:

8:15 upstairs in Groewood Gallery

CHOOSE YOUR SEATING:

SECOND SEATING:

6:30 -7:15 Registration, cocktails and museum visits

The Pottery Tradition of Western North Carolina:

7:15 upstairs in Groewood Gallery

8:00 Dinner in the Groewood Cafe

Dessert in Groewood Cafe following dinner

Yes please reserve 1st seating tickets at @ \$140 per person Yes please reserve 2nd seating tickets at @ \$140 per person

A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

Please charge my credit card Discover Visa MC AmEx in the amount of \$ _____.

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Craftsman Farms' GPI Kick-off Party: Thursday, February. 16, 2011 at the Groewood Cafe, Asheville, NC

Please mail this reservation with your payment to: The Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms, 2352 Rt. 10 W., Morris Plains, NJ 07950. You may also fax credit card info to 973.540.1167 or call the Museum at 973.540.0311. Net proceeds from the Annual GPI Banquet directly support the maintenance and operations of the Stickley Museum. \$55 of each ticket is fully tax-deductible within the limits of the law. Reservations must be received by Feb. 5th.