



Street Beat

Cheers to Barili Cellars!

After two years of planning and work by owners Steve and Dana Trabun and Russ and Marlene Feist, Barili Cellars winery is off to a fantastic start! Their first public event was in early May and just weeks later the winery was essentially sold out.

With all their initial success, the focus has now shifted to planning for *next* spring's Mother's Day Barrel Tasting Weekend. Here's a glimpse of what what's to come:



- 2009 Viognier - Their favorite deck wine will be back with grapes from Seth Ryan Estate Vineyards on Red Mountain. The red wine drinkers like this one, too.
- 2009 Chardonnay - White wine lovers, this is for you. They're sourcing grapes from French Creek Vineyards in Prosser for this vintage.
- 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon - This Cab will include grapes from both Dineen Vineyards and Seth Ryan Estate Vineyards, giving bold flavors and structure. You're going to love it.
- 2008 Remnants of Red - This will be a wonderful red blend with Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Merlot from Walla Walla's LeTour Vineyards and Spofford Vineyards.

In the meantime, if you are in need of extra summer white, contact information is available at BariliCellars.com, or look for updates on their [Facebook](#) page as new releases are ready.

"For us, this venture is about sharing what we enjoy with others, and we are excited to be part of the great things happening in Downtown Spokane," said Steve Trabun. "We want to thank everyone who made it to the winery at **608 W. Second Ave.** and gave us a try. You are responsible for our success!"

Better Beds, Better Location

Two years ago Janet Weldon purchased an existing specialty back care retail store on North Division. "The concept was sound, unique and beneficial for Spokane, but needed a new location to better serve the community," explained Janet. In the last two years the company has transformed to Better Bed & Back a destination/walk-in retailer offering a broader arrangement of back care and sleep related items including: high-end massage chairs, inversion tables, Sacro-ease car seats, unique "back healthy" office chairs and the largest selection of Tempur-Pedic mattresses.

"Downtown offers higher foot traffic, employees that reside all over the Spokane area and beyond, and an incredible energy that we didn't have in our location up North," said Janet. "In this location, employees from surrounding offices can come in and buy a desk chair



that provides back relief, or purchase a bed at lunch and sleep in it that night."

Better Bed & Back offers a best price guarantee, with everyday low prices on all items. They also have a monthly Tempur-Pedic pillow giveaway every first Friday at noon. You don't need to be present to win, but you do need to drop off a business card at the store located at **702 W Main (skywalk level)**, between Macy's and River Park Square. For more information visit BetterBedandBack.com or stop by the store.

Taste the Latest in Downtown Cuisine



Taste Cafe and Gourmet To Go is an upscale cafe on the corner of Howard and Second. Owned by a mother-daughter team, Taste provides fresh, quality ingredients in a cozy environment. Open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, the cafe has a variety of dishes - from sweet or savory to Doma coffee and novelty cakes. Everything is made from scratch daily, including dishes like mac and cheese, shepherd's pie, and lasagna, as well as eight to ten fresh salads, sandwiches and wraps.

Their blog "[Taste Buds](#)" shows some amazing cake work including a Louis Vitton bag, an Alice in Wonderland themed cake, and a golf green complete with a duck floating on a pond and golf bag resting nearby. Taste also caters a variety of events from small private parties to larger events of 350 people.

This Downtown cafe is a great place to meet a friend for a coffee or lunch break, or if you're in a hurry, place an order "to go" on line, via fax or over the phone. And these warm summer months are the perfect time to enjoy their newly furnished outdoor patio. So work up your appetite and experience the flavors of Taste for yourself, at **108 S. Howard!** For information visit TasteCafeSpokane.com.



Downtown Wine Bar has European Style

Located on the ground floor of the historic American Legion Building at **108 N. Washington Street**, LeftBank Wine Bar is another addition to the thriving wine scene in Downtown. The new wine bar offers over 60 wines by the glass and an atmosphere that "aims to capture a more European approach to one of the world's oldest and most popular beverages."



Inspired by a cafe in Venice, LeftBank creates a unique experience -- whether it's a specialty coffee in the morning, a glass of wine and a cheese plate in the afternoon, or champagne and dessert in the evening.

"We want our customers to discover for themselves the beauty and depth of an Oregon pinot noir, or the floral crispness of a viognier." Stop by LeftBank for a morning cup of coffee, a \$5 glass of wine for happy hour (Monday-Friday, 3-6pm) or any time in between! For more information visit LeftbankWineBar.com.

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