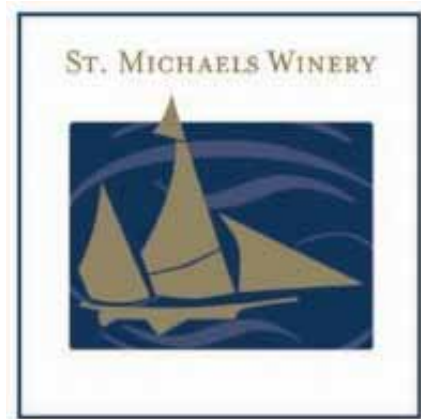




The Frederick Basket Company

Join us this Saturday from 5-8pm for “Fire in Ice”
with St. Michaels Winery



Come Sample:

- Gollywobbler Red
- Gollywobbler Pink
- St. Michaels White
- Merlot
- Chocolate Zin



Check out our Ice Sculpture Sponsored by St. Michaels Winery!

Special Men’s Shopping Afternoon with Beer and Snacks from 11-3pm

Men “Be the Hero” Come by The Frederick Basket Company for a special “Mens Shopping Afternoon with Beer and Snacks”. Don’t settle to the same old, same old this Valentine’s Day. Why not give her a beautiful gift basket filled with all her favorite things! Our girls will personally assist you in selecting just the right premade gift for your sweetheart!! Or if you prefer you may hand select your own items and we will make a custom gift basket just for her. Choose from a huge selection of chocolates, chocolate roses, body truffles, favorite bottle of wine, candles and more!



Wine & Cupcake Tasting from 3-5 pm

Come sample the yummy cupcakes and wine that we are featuring in our “Wine & Cupcakes” Valentine Gift Basket. Why not give her two of her favorite things! We have a special selection of cupcakes that pair perfectly with red and white wine. Bordeleau Winery Merlot, Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard Chardonnay, Chocolate and Raspberry Cupcake – red wine pairing, Chocolate and Chocolate Cupcake - red wine pairing, Red Velvet Cream Cheese Cupcake - white wine pairing, Luscious Lemon Cupcake - white wine pairing.



Ice sculptures can be found in the following locations on February First Saturday:

CARROLL STREET

Two Paws Up | 15 S Carroll

CARROLL (HAPPY) CREEK

The Wine Kitchen | 50 Carroll Creek Way

The Greene Turtle | 50 Citizen's Way

Mainstreet Development | 50 Carroll Creek Way

Macintosh Realtors | 50 Carroll Creek Way

EAST STREET

Accents | 122 N East

Flights of Fancy | 20 N East

Frederick Basket Company | 12 N East

The Little Pottery Shop | 117 N East

MARKET STREET

AOPA | 228 N Market

Alicia L | 149 N Market

BB&T | 1 N Market

Brewer's Alley | 124 N Market

Bushwaller's | 209 N Market

Classic Cigars & British Goodies | 14 N Market

DARCARS | 30 N Market

Federated Charities | 22 S Market

Firestone's Market | 109 N Market

Frederick Coin Exchange | 25 N Market

Isabella's Taverna & Tapas Bar | 44 N Market

La Paz | 51 S Market

McGuire's Fine Arts | 110 N Market

Mid-Atlantic Clinic of Chiropractic | 154 N Market

The Muse | 19 N Market

Pretzel & Pizza Creations | 210 N Market

The Trail House | 17 S Market

Velvet Lounge | 203 N Market

VISIONS | 16 N Market

Voila! | 10 N Market

VOLT | 228 N Market

PATRICK STREET

Amber Coast | 3 E Patrick

Chic to Chic | 30 E Patrick

Dream House | 102 E Patrick

Easels in Frederick | 20 W Patrick

Ec'lectibles | 13 E Patrick

Fabulous Finds | 24 E Patrick

Flowers by Jim | 112 E Patrick

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

Live Ice Carving Demonstration

@ 124 N Market from 5—9pm

Watch as an ice sculptor uses a variety of tools and talent to create a complex ice sculpture in real time

Asian Spring Mini Showcase

@ 124 N Market, 6:30pm

@ Carroll Creek Trellis 7:15pm

Times are approximate

Downtown Daycare

The Evangelical Lutheran Church @ 31 E Church will offer babysitting services in the Schaeffer Center from 6—10pm for a flat rate of \$10 per child. Money raised will pay for their youth group's summer trip to the National Youth Gathering.

Marshmallow Roasting

@ 50 Carroll Creek Way

@ 30 N Market Street

@ 20 N East

Marshmallows and s'mores stuff will be available at all three stations!



DARCARS Sponsor Station

@ 30 N Market

Come check out the new Scion iQ, grab some free giveaways, roast a marshmallow and chat with our newest sponsor, DARCARS Toyota!

BB&T Sponsor Station

@ 1 N Market

Grab a complimentary cup of hot cocoa from our excellent sponsor, BB&T Bank!

Fire Dance Performance

@34 S Market

Be astounded and amazed! Pyrophoric, a Frederick-based fire dancing troupe, will astonish you with a dynamic spectacle of fire through performance tools such as fire poi, hoop, fans, staff, whip, and orbs. A professional DJ will enhance your enjoyment of this "Art of Fire" performance.

Fire Performance Sponsored by:

Ananda Shala Yoga & Pilates Studio & Namaste Massage Studio

NEW

@ The Frederick Basket Company

Valentine's Day is right around the corner and we have some fabulous gifts for that special someone in your life!

Chocolate Strawberry & Fudge Brownie Body Truffles!!



Yummy Treats



Valentine's Day Gift Baskets!



HISTORY OF VALENTINE'S DAY

History of Valentines Day – The Man Valentine

Is the history of Valentines Day expressed in the current celebration of yummy chocolates, lovely cards, and sparkling engagement rings? What is the story behind such a highly-retailed celebration?



Some say the day is named after a bishop named Valentine, who was stationed in the Roman Empire. Claudius II was the Emperor at that time. He thought that unmarried men made better soldiers, so he decided to make it a law that young men could not marry. Around 270 A.D., Valentine took pity on the ostracized soldiers who were not permitted to marry or see their sweethearts.

He became an advocate of these young lovers and began to perform secret marriages. He was soon found out and jailed. Emperor Claudius II attempted to convert Valentine to begin worshipping the Roman gods, but Valentine refused. Instead, he tried to convert Claudius to Christianity and Valentine sentenced to be executed on February 24, 270.

Another version of the history of Valentines Day tells that Valentine fell in love with his jailer's daughter. Just before his death, he sent her a note and signed it "from your Valentine." An aura of romance surrounded his demise and those who knew about it spread the tale. Bishop Valentine became Saint Valentine with his fame extending to England and France.

After his death, Valentine then became what is known as a "Patron Saint." Some considered him the spiritual overseer of an annual festival in which young Romans would distribute cards of affection to those they wished to formally see. This festival was held each February 14. There are Valentine cards in museums worldwide that date back to 1415.

February has been the month to celebrate love ever since the Middle Ages.

History of Valentines Day – Finding True Love

The history of Valentine's Day began in the era of courtly traditions. The stories of how women were wooed by grand gestures of gallantry flourish in romance novels of today. We all wish to be desired -- to be loved and accepted.

Borrowed from: <http://www.allaboutpopularissues.org/history-of-valentines-day.htm>





Calendar of Events

Be sure to mark your calendar for these must attend local events!

Frederick Artist Market

Cultural Arts Center - 15 W Patrick, Frederick, MD 21701

February 3rd 10am

The indoor arts and crafts market features the work of up to 25 local artists, including jewelry, pottery, art, photography, and other hand-crafted items. The event is free to attend and open to the public. The Frederick Artist Market happens five times per year. For more information, including how to participate, contact the Frederick Arts Council at 301-662-4190 or via email jdobbins@frederickartscouncil.org.

Fire In Ice

Saturday February 4th 5-9pm

Be sure to stop by The Frederick Basket Company to check out our surprise Ice Sculpture. It is sure to put a smile on your face!

Other downtown events include sparkling ice sculptures, live ice carving demonstrations, an interactive ice playground, marshmallow roasting stations, free hot cocoa and more await in Downtown Frederick. Enjoy an evening of exhibit openings, guest artists & live entertainment designed to showcase the best of Downtown Frederick the First Saturday of every month. More than 80 shops, galleries and restaurants are open until 9pm or later.

Valentine's Day

Tuesday February 14th

Don't forget to show that special someone just how much they mean to you. Come in and let us help you create a gourmet gift basket created especially for them. Choose from a variety of themes, Bath & Spa, Chocolate Lovers, Wine, and more!

Mardi Gras

Tuesday February 21st

Mardi Gras, "Fat Tuesday", is the last day of the Carnival season as it always falls the day before Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. The origins of Mardi Gras can be traced to Medieval Europe, though we have no written record of how that really transformed into the current Mardi Gras of today. But the origins of the Mardi Gras we celebrate today -- with Kings, Mardi Gras colors, and brass bands -- are traced to New Orleans.

Casino Night

Saturday March 3rd 5-9pm

At the 2nd Annual Casino Night, visitors have an opportunity to play games of chance throughout Downtown Frederick. Participating stores will have a variety of fun ways to try your luck -- check back in early 2012 for a complete listing of planned activities. Visit participating merchants to receive a playing card with a purchase of any amount (while supplies last). Try to assemble a hand that totals as close to 21 as possible for a chance to win a \$250 Downtown Frederick Gift Card!



WE HAVE AN APP FOR THAT...

February's Top 3 Free Apps from the Frederick Basket Company App Store!!!

Featuring Products by Stonewall Kitchen



Chocolate Semifreddo

Ingredients:

- 2 cups heavy cream
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1-teaspoon vanilla
- 1 12 ounce jar [Dark Chocolate Sea Salt Caramel Sauce](#)

Directions: Whip heavy cream in a chilled mixing bowl with a whisk attachment until soft peaks form. Slowly add sugar and vanilla. Fold in the [Stonewall Kitchen Dark Chocolate Sea Salt Caramel Sauce](#). Place in a covered container that can go into the freezer. Place in the freezer for at least 6 hours or overnight.



Frozen Snickers Torte

Ingredients:

- 3 1/2 dozen vanilla wafers
- 3 Tablespoons melted sweet butter
- 1/2 gallon good quality vanilla ice cream
- 1/2 cup [Coffee Caramel Sauce](#)
- 1/2 cup chopped peanuts
- 4 oz. Snickers bars, coarsely chopped
- 12 oz Stonewall Kitchen Bittersweet Chocolate Sauce*, warmed

Directions: Pulverize the vanilla wafers in a food processor. Add melted butter. Press evenly into the bottom of a 10" spring-form pan. Press the crumbs so they come up the sides about 1". Cut a piece of heavy-duty foil and set pan on top to catch any possible drips. Place in freezer. Spread half of the ice cream over crust. Return to freezer until firm. Spread the [Stonewall Kitchen Coffee Caramel Sauce](#)* cream and sprinkle with peanuts. Return to freezer until firm. Spread with remaining ice cream. Freeze again until firm. Press chopped Snickers bars onto top of torte. Freeze at least 4 hours. When ready to serve, slice and serve with Stonewall Kitchen Bittersweet Chocolate Sauce*.



Coffee Caramel Iced Latte

Ingredients:

- 1-ounce brewed espresso or strong coffee, cooled
- 2 Tbsp. [Stonewall Kitchen Coffee Caramel Sauce](#)
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/4 cup sweetened whipped cream
- *Chocolate curls for garnish

Directions: Heat [Stonewall Kitchen Coffee Caramel Sauce](#) until it is pourable in a microwave for about 20 seconds or on the stovetop. Add Coffee Caramel Sauce to the espresso and mix until uniform. Add the milk and mix. Fill a 12-ounce glass 3/4 full with ice. Pour the flavored espresso over the ice. Top drink with whipped cream. Drizzle Coffee Caramel Sauce over whipped cream and enjoy.

Corporate Gift Baskets

Did you know

The Frederick Basket Company specializes in Corporate Gift Baskets, Welcome Gift Bags and Corporate Gift Giving. We can provide gifts to group sizes from 5 to 5,000 with prices ranging from just a few dollars to a few hundred dollars. Let one of our gift basket consultants help you design a corporate gift basket perfectly suited for your company. We are able to offer a huge selection of custom items that incorporate your logo and company colors. Items include corporate logo boxes, imprinted cookie tins, wine labels, perfect portions coffee packets, imprinted corporate logo ribbon, sugar cookies, caramel corn, candy bars, bottled water, chocolate covered oreos and more.

150 Gift Baskets for a Corporate Event ... No Problem!!



Below are pictures of baskets we recently did onsite for Education Affiliates, a company coming into Baltimore, Maryland. This is the second year we have worked with Lindsay and Education Affiliates. We provided 150 gift baskets in their requested Mardi Gras theme. The basket consisted of a purple charger with a bottle of Fiore Blush of Bel Air wine with a custom corporate Mardi Gras logo, Macy's Cheese Sticks, Mardi Gras Peanuts, East Shore Cajun Pretzels and a custom Chrissie Schubert Mardi Gras Crown Sugar Cookie. The basket was wrapped in yellow polka dot wrap with a coordinating bow in the purple, green and yellow Mardi Gras colors. To finish it off we hung an adorable sequined Mardi Gras mask. It was a huge hit!



Whatever your gift giving needs entail, The Frederick Basket Company's knowledgeable, friendly, gift professionals are here to handle every detail. Give us a call and we will be happy to send additional information, or meet with you in person to discuss your particular needs.





A few of our favorite things...

This month we have decided to highlight “All Things Chocolate!”



Ghirardelli Pink Heart Gift Box Chocolate Assortments

The perfect gift for your sweetheart. This beautiful, heart shaped gift box comes filled with an assortment of luxurious Ghirardelli SQUARES™ chocolates sure to make any chocolate lover swoon!



Long Grove Valentine Meltaway Chocolate Gift Box

Milk raspberry and dark chocolate meltaways fill these little boxes of love.



Fran's Gray Salt Caramels

Revealing the subtle flavors of our soft, fresh, buttery caramel takes great patience. Frans slow-cook their caramel in small batches to achieve the right texture and taste, and express their passion for experimentation by blending it with premium chocolate and the finest pure and organic ingredients, as in their award-winning



Harvest Sweets Chocolate Covered Strawberries

Mouth-watering dried strawberries drenched in luscious dark chocolate.



Christopher's Big Cherry

Christopher's Big Cherry is a mound of milk chocolate sprinkled with peanuts that contains a whole cherry in a rich creamy center. We carry both the milk and dark chocolate variety.



Bissinger's Chocolate Covered Wine Grapes

Specially-selected Muscat grapes are infused with Shiraz wine and finished with a covering of dark chocolate. Yummy! Perfect with your favorite bottle of wine.

The Basket Nook "How To" Videos

Have you ever wondered how The Frederick Basket Company creates such beautiful gifts? Well wonder no more! We have just launched our new [You Tube Channel](#) and will be adding videos every few weeks. Check them out at:

YouTube.com/TheFrederickBasketCo

VIDEO



There are lots of exciting things happening at [The Frederick Basket Company](#). We just launched our new blog which keeps you up to date with all the new merchandise and baskets in the store, Youtube Channel featuring "How To" videos as well as Facebook and Twitter updates with prize giveaways! So please be sure to follow us.



Click on the links at the end of the newsletter.
You'll be very glad you did!!!!



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GiftBasket2You.com is our new website/blog.



FrederickBasket.com has a new look and has merged with our blog GiftBasket2You.com. We are adding new baskets weekly so be sure to check back often. Valentine's Day Gift Baskets are now on the website.

FrederickBasket.com or Giftbasket2You.com both will take you to our new and improved website/blog!



We have received a great deal of referrals from our loyal clients in the past few months and we want to take this opportunity to say **“THANK YOU!!!”**

The Frederick Basket Company would like to send a special **Thank You Gift** to each and every one of our referring customers. Please be sure to have your friends mention your name and that they were referred by you so we can send you your gift right away!!!



Happy Birthday To You

The Frederick Basket Company is now offering
Birthday Bonuses!

Please e-mail us your

- Name
- Address
- Birth Date (No ladies the year is not necessary!)



and we will mail you a **\$10.00 Gift Certificate** on your birthday to be spent any way you choose in our store. No minimum purchase required!

E-mail us at:

basket@frederickbasket.com
with **“birthday”** in the subject line.



Sample Saturdays



We are now sampling on
Saturdays!
Come in & check it out!!!

The Frederick Basket Company Wine Tasting Schedule 2012

DATE	TIME	VINEYARD
January 7th - Wine Down	5-8pm	Bordeleau Winery
February 4th - Fire in Ice	5-8pm	St Michaels Winery
March 3rd - Casino Night	5-8pm	Frederick Cellars
April 7th- Frederick Goes to Hollywood	5-8pm	Boordy Vineyards
May 5th- Mayfest	5-8pm	Solomons Island Winery
June 2nd- I Art	5-8pm	Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard
July 7th- Stars and Stripes	5-8pm	Fiore Winery
August 4th - Dog Days of Summer	5-8pm	Linganore Wine Cellars
September 1st- Rock Around the Block	5-8pm	Surprise Winery
October 6st- Into the Night	5-8pm	Surprise Winery
November 3rd- Holiday Open House	5-8pm	Frederick Cellars
November 23rd - Frosty Friday	5-8pm	Boordy Vineyards
December 1st - Cookie Tour	5-8pm	Fiore Winery
December 8th -	5-8pm	Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard
December 15th -	5-8pm	Surprise Winery
December 22nd -	5-8pm	St. Michaels Winery

We proudly carry only Local Maryland Wines from the following vineyards; Basignani Winery, Boordy Vineyards, Bordeleau Vineyards & Winery, Fiore Winery, Frederick Cellars, Linganore Wine Cellars/Berrywine Plantations, Solomons Island Winery, St. Michaels Winery & Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard.

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