On May 24th, HCC V&E hosted a workshop double-header. In the morning, Cristin Hosmer (wine consultant, instructor Michigan State University, instructor VESTA) led a Winery and Vineyard Marketing workshop. She highlighted strategies both for the individual business as well as the industry as a whole. After lunch, Brian Hosmer (winemaker, Chateau Chantal) led a Tannin Management workshop. He included various tannin sources and their effects on wine. The workshop concluded with 19 students sampling wines dosed with different types and levels of tannin.





On June 7th, HCC V&E hosted Ed Swanson (grapevine breeder, winemaker) as he demonstrated several different methods to graft grapevine buds onto existing rootstock. Students were allowed to practice grafting with Ed's supervision.





On July 19th, HCC V&E hosted the 3rd Annual Field Day at Bobwhite Vines vineyard near Hartford, KS. Owners ---- and Cindy Robertson gave a tour of their vineyard, equipment, cold room facility, and the B&B on the property.





On October 3rd, HCC V&E hosted Dr. Barry Gump as he conducted a Wine Chemistry workshop. After a presentation of the chemical processes involved in the wine and juice analyses, Dr. Gump demonstrated using all of the various testing equipment.

