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**FERRARI-CARANO VINEYARDS & WINERY HOSTS
THEIR 18TH ANNUAL *TASTE OF SPRING* EVENT**

HEALDSBURG, CA, February 22, 2005 -- Spring is in full bloom at Ferrari-Carano Vineyards & Winery for the 18th annual *Taste of Spring*, a food and wine pairing extravaganza, on Saturday, April 9, 2005, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event features new vintages of Ferrari-Carano's award-winning wines paired with delicious dishes from recipes by winery owner Rhonda Carano and prepared by Chef Joe Costanzo.

Villa Fiore (House of Flowers), the winery's magnificent hospitality wine center, is the perfect setting for this spectacular event. Guests can start their visit with a stroll through the renowned gardens and enjoy the breathtaking display of thousands of flowers in bloom such as tulips, daffodils, pansies, snapdragons, calendulas, primroses, camellias, rhododendrons, wisteria, flowering ornamental bushes, trees and more.

Inside Villa Fiore, the stunning and unique French underground cellar plays host to *Taste of Spring*, featuring wines such as the Sonoma County 2003 Fume Blanc, Alexander Valley 2002 Chardonnay, Sonoma County 2001 Tresor, and the Russian River Valley 2001 Eldorado Noir, to name a few.

Guests can also peruse Villa Fiore's Wine Shop and Tasting Room, which feature an array of colorful Italian tableware, linens, collectibles, new spring clothing, gourmet food items, and more.

Reservations for *Taste of Spring* are not required. Admission is \$20, which includes a souvenir wine glass, and guests must be over 21 to attend. For more information, call (800) 831-0381, or visit the website at ferrari-carano.com. Ferrari-Carano is located at 8761 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg, CA.

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