



The Saga of Restless Soul

Old North State Winery is located in historic downtown Mount Airy in a building constructed around 1892, then known as Prather's General Store. According to local folk lore, Prather's continued to operate as a General Store until around 1926, when a neighboring General Store operator had a falling out with the Prather Brothers and proceeded to blow the front of the building off with dynamite. Legend has it that the scandalous proprietor served a lengthy prison term over the incident and his only regret was that he didn't blow the entire building down.

Belks Department store opened a store in downtown in 1925 making the Mount Airy store their 38th. Belks was very successful, subsequently purchased the damaged Prather building, and began restoration of the building and storefront. The front of our winery is made of red brick commonly found in 1920's construction, with a granite marker placed above the upper floors in the storefront proclaiming for the whole world to see --- BELKS.

Legend has it that when the contractor for Belks was excavating the foundation for the new brick front, he found a skeleton arm. No one in town was missing, nor was anyone missing an arm. So where did the picture of the arm on our wine label originate?

There have been reports of a blockade runner who took a musket ball in his shoulder during the civil war. As fate would have it, his arm had to be amputated. He later moved to Mount Airy and opened a saloon on Main Street after he was discharged, since his friend General Jeb Stuart had spoken highly of his hometown.

The Civil War veteran kept his arm with him so that he would be a whole man when he met his maker. Supposedly he stored it in a wooden box in the cellar, and the Prather's may have constructed their General Store on the same location as his saloon. The dynamite blast could have conceivably dislodged it from its hiding spot.

Numerous reports of nocturnal activity in our winery are wide spread. Footsteps on our original wooden floors, doors opening and closing and other unexplained noises are reported on a regular basis, especially when our winemaker and cellar staff work late at night. They leave an opened bottle of Restless Soul out at night, and have found it empty on many occasions the next morning.

We dedicate our red wine blend Restless Soul, to the Restless Soul in our winery and in all of us.

Several folks commented that our friendly spirit may be a little lonely, so we introduced Bare Bones, our new Un-oaked Chardonnay, to Restless Soul and they became instant friends. A match made in heaven!

Old North State Winery

Wine Club Application



Handcrafted wines of North Carolina



Located in Historic Downtown Mount Airy
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Located on the corner of Main and Oak Streets directly across from the Mount Airy Museum of Regional History.

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Open Monday thru Wednesday 11:00am -9:00pm
Thursday, Friday and Saturday open until 10pm
Sunday 12:00pm -6:00pm



Old North State Winery

Pick-up

Shipping

Name: _____

Billing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Shipping Address (if different): _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Today's Date: _____ Birth Date: _____

Credit Card #: _____

Exp. Date: _____

I certify that I am 21 years or older. I hereby authorize Old North State Winery to charge two bottles of wine and shipping, on a quarterly basis, to my above charge card.

Signature: _____

ONSW Associate: _____

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