

Legal Moonshiner Makes Moonshine World History in 'Dry' Marshall County Kentucky

HARDIN, Ky., Aug. 14, 2013 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – World Spirits Competition “Spirits International Prestige” (SIP Awards) this week announced from their judging headquarters in Las Vegas that newcomer spirits maker Silver Trail Distillery, of Hardin, Kentucky, had repeated its 2012 Gold Medal for its classic LBL “1950’s Style” Moonshine in 100 proof. Besides the 2013 Gold for the 100 proof, the company won Gold in the flavored whiskey category with its apple pie flavored Moonshine – LBL Apple Sin. The company also garnered a Bronze Medal in the bottle design category with its “ring-handle jug” and “torn” look labels.

Silver Trail Distillery founder and master distiller Spencer Balentine summed the wins up: “All I wanted to do was see if I could make our family recipe Moonshine like I remember my Dad hauling, drinking and making on a square still designed by Mom’s uncle. Whether the Moonshine tasted bad or great the main goal was to be 1950’s authentic. The Gold Awards tell me – the family had it right.”

After last years SIP Award Gold medal win, Balentine was inducted into the 130 year old Kentucky Distillers Association as one of the 12 Master Distillers of Kentucky and has since helped found “The Kentucky Bourbon Trail Craft Tour” which spans the state with its six members.

Magilla Entertainment brought Balentine’s Dad’s “Last Run” story to The Discovery Channel hit TV show “Moonshiners” in the season two episode “Moonshine Treasure Hunt” which brought the state’s largest liquor distributor Republic National Distributor to distribute the LBL brand throughout Kentucky. The wins and TV show have made Silver Trail the most famous pole barn in the United States and a major tourist destination for Western Kentucky.

As Balentine is quoted on the SIP Awards website: “Winning SIP Gold has opened some mighty big doors.” He recently added “It’s just sad that my home county is dry and can’t take advantage of the brand’s overnight success.”

About Silver Trail Distillery Inc.:

The company grew out of founder’s Spencer Balentine’s 1958 childhood memory of riding in his Dad’s Moonshine car and hearing the 150 single gallon glass jugs “THUNKING” beneath his feet when his Dad stopped short. The Silver Trail name came from the Moonshine mother road from LBL into Clarksville, Tenn. The LBL brand is a Kentucky Moonshine history lesson hand prepared from grain to glass. For more information visit <http://silvertraildistillery.com/> or call 270-354-6209.

Please drink responsibly.

Photo Caption: "Spencer and The Assistants Sarah and Amanda guard the family's 2012 -2013 SIP Award Gold winning Moonshine recipe at Silver Trail Distillery, Hardin Kentucky."

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