



May 6, 2008

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The CCAWS May tasting will be at the home of Susann and Michael Barbour on Sunday, May 18 at 2:00 pm.

Nan Slick will present “**Wild, Wonderful, Wacky Whites IV**”. Please call the Barbours by May 14th (the earlier, the better!) if you would like to attend. Please do not forget to bring something to share for the table.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION for New Folks—Our wine tasting events are fragrance-free. Please refrain from wearing any fragrances (perfume, scented cologne, scented after shave, scented deodorant, scented lotion ...) because these will interfere with everyone’s enjoyment and sensory evaluation of the wines.

Other items of interest—

- **Last month’s Tasting, “What Would YOU Pay for That Wine?”—The Tag Team of Bill Browns III & IV** presented a blind tasting during which we all were encouraged to guess what we would pay for the wine, where it was from and what grape(s) went into it. A couple of prizes were awarded and everyone had fun! The wines and are listed below:
 - Warm-up—Beaujolais-Villages, Chameroy, France (Gamay), \$9.99 - no votes
 - #1—Deen De Bortoli, Pinot Noir, Australia, \$13.99, no votes
 - #2—Sassaiolo, Italian (Sangiovese, Multipulciano) \$11.99, 1 vote
 - **#3—St. Francis Red, California (Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Zinfandel), \$10.99, Voted #1 (14 votes)**
 - #4—Abadal Reserva, Spain (Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah), \$25.99, *came in third (9 votes)*
 - #5—PAX Syrah, Sonoma Hillside, California, \$54.99, *came in a close second (12 votes)*

Thanks to the Browns for also hosting this crowd.

- **Shameless self-promotion—Masterworks Chorale of Carroll County** will be presenting **Beethoven’s “Ode to Joy”** and **Bernstein’s “Chichester Psalms”** at 7:00 PM, May 18, 2008, Baker Memorial Chapel, McDaniel College, Westminster, MD. *Come on over after the tasting and give us a listen!* See www.MasterworksofCC.org for details.
- **Check our web site (www.CCAWS.net) for upcoming tastings.**
- **Don't forget your dues** of \$10 to CCAWS (Carroll County Chapter of the American Wine Society) **AND** your membership obligation (dues, \$57) to AWS (American Wine Society). Consider this a reminder that you **must** maintain membership in AWS (our parent organization) to remain a member of CCAWS. See www.AmericanWineSociety.org for details of on-line management of your AWS membership. You can call AWS during business hours at 678-377-7070 to take care of it that way.

- **CCAWS Membership Cards**—Bona fide member of CCAWS, viz., AWS membership + CCAWS dues paid (see previous bullet), will be sent 2008 CCAWS membership cards in the mail. These are primarily for verifying to the few (currently 3) local liquor stores that offer a per-bottle discount on wine to CCAWS members.

See you at the Barbours' ...

...LeRoy