



November 7, 2008

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The November tasting, “**Unusual Wines—What’s for Thanksgiving?**” will be presented by Walt Rachele and held at the home of Mary and Mike Evans on Sunday, November 16 at 2:00 pm. Please call the Evanses by November 12 if you would like to attend. Earlier is better! Don’t forget something for the table!!

**Other items of interest—**

**Last month’s Tasting, “Unusual, Ancient and not Your Everyday Varietals”—Dave Miller** presented the topic to an expectant crowd that was willing to try almost anything! We were not disappointed. This was certainly a widely divergent list of wine grapes and Dave had obviously done a bit of work on organoleptic testing and accumulating data for our education. We were also treated to Jen and Dave’s new “Wine Tasting Room,” which they had constructed just for us on their subterranean floor!—well, maybe not, but everyone enjoyed this new venue that was the result of the Millers’ hard work. Thanks to Michael Bareford and College Square Liquors for providing assistance and the wines at cost. The list of wines tasted and the favorites follow:

<b>Unusual, Ancient and not Your Everyday Varietals</b>			
<b>No.</b>	<b>Wine</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Votes</b>
warmup	Santa Anastacia Grillo 2006 – Sicily, Italy	\$16	2
1	Dr. Frank’s Rkatsiteli 2006 – Finger Lakes, New York	\$28	0
2	Boutari Nemea 2006 (Agiorgitiko) – Peloponnese, Greece	\$17	0
3	Boutari Naoussa Red 2005 (Xinomavro) – Goumenissa, Greece	\$17	0
4	Anton IBY Zweigelt Classic 2006 – Horitschon, Austria	\$17	8
5	Altos de las Hormigas 2007 (Bonarda) – Mendoza, Argentina	\$ 8	7
<b>*6*</b>	<b>Casillero del Diablo 2007 (Carménère) – Rapel Valley, Chile</b>	<b>\$10</b>	<b>11</b>

- **\*\*\* Wine Baskets Fund Raiser for AWSEF \*\*\***—Those interested in carrying on this tradition started by Becky Wilson should contact Pennee Parker or Jackie Powers and bring wine, \$25 (or more!!) and \$5 cash (for expenses) by the **November meeting**.
- **David and Jennifer Miller** will be hosting a **Bourbon Tasting Event** on Sunday November 23<sup>rd</sup> at their home in Manchester. If you are interested in attending, please let them know no later than 11/15/2008. You may call them at (443)291-6119 or email **Dave**.
- **A Little Bit of Tuscany** is a new Italian wine bar and light-fare bistro you should check out on Main Street at Longwell in Westminster. **They will be having a wine tasting**

- event on Monday evening, November 17.** They are planning to have their two biggest vendors, Bacchus & Republic National, do the tasting with wine education on Italian wines. There will be lots of food passed as well as trays set up. Cost will be \$50 per person for 2 hours of, perhaps, 12 wines with generous pours and plenty of food. Both chefs will be there to prepare items off the menu, but there will be no seated dinner service. They will also be offering discounts on any wine purchases—not sure if by the bottle or case. Reservations with a deposit are required ([www.alittlebitofuscany.com](http://www.alittlebitofuscany.com)).
- ***Bud's at Silver Run*** is a new, casual fine dining restaurant right here in beautiful, downtown Silver Run, MD on Littlestown Pike (Rt. 97) between Mayberry and Silver Run Valley Roads. **Check out their upcoming wine dinner with Alphonso Ventrice (December 1, 7:00pm, \$85 inclusive)** at [www.budsatsilverrun.com](http://www.budsatsilverrun.com)!
  - **Check our web site ([www.CCAWS.net](http://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, \$62 for 2009) 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](http://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 Evanses' ...  
...LeRoy