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The CCAWS March tasting will be at the home of the Johnston's on Sunday March 15th at 2:00 pm.

The Johnston's will present "**South African Wines**". This is also **the last time to renew** your CCAWS membership (see below). Please call the Johnston's' by March 12th if you would like to attend. They have asked to keep the message short as they may not be able to get to the answer machine, or e mail your RSVP to emily@carr.org—*the earlier, the better, because space is limited!* Please do not forget to bring

something for the table. The established drop dead date for renewal would be March 1, so please be sure to get that in so that you do not get dropped as an active member. I am currently working on the cards for those that have.

Other items of interest—

The Carroll County (MD) chapter met on February 15th at the home of the Grillon's with the theme being, "**A love affair with Wine**"—**Larry and Jackie Powers** presented the topic as **Penne Parker** was not able to attend and did an excellent job of filling in. The theme of the event was to showcase wines of good value that could be easily paired with foods at short notice and in fact might be in your cellar already. We voted for our favorites in white and red separately. There was some discussion about the Marietta being the right one.

| A Love Affair With Wine | | | |
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| No. | Wine | Price | Votes |
| warm-up | NV Paul Cheneau Cava | \$13 | 12 |
| 1 | 2006 Domaine de la Croix Senaillet Pouilly-Fuisse | \$33 | 5 |
| 2 | 2006 Domaine de Chevaunet-Touraine Sauvignon Blanc | \$16 | 6 |
| 3 | 2005 Bourgogne Rene Le Clerc | \$25 | 2 |
| 4 | 2004 Lan Rioja Reserva | \$18 | 4 |
| 5 | 2005 Pedroncelli Dry Creek Sauvignon | \$24 | 14 |
| 6 | Marietta Old Vine Red Lot 48 | \$13 | 6 |
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- **A Little Bit of Tuscany** is an Italian wine bar and light-fare bistro you should check out on Main Street at Longwell in Westminster. (www.alittlebitoftuscany.com).
- **Bud's at Silver Run** is a new, casual fine dining restaurant right downtown Silver Run, MD on Littlestown Pike (Rt. 97) between Mayberry and Silver Run Valley Roads. www.budsatsilverrun.com!
- **Wine Me Up Wine Bar & Shoppe** at 61½ E. Main Street in Westminster (www.winemeupshoppeandtavern.com)
- 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, \$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 for details of online 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 2009 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.
- **The March tasting also doubles as our Annual Meeting, so please bring to the table any items of concern, interest or just plain fun that you might like to see us address. I will go through the bylaws and make sure that they are still current and if they need to be changed at all.**
- **There is a wine maker that has equipment for sale, so please call me if you are interested and I will put you in touch with each other.**
- **I have also attached the National News Letter.**

Robert Horrocks