



AMERICAN WINE SOCIETY
YEARS OF WINE DISCOVERY

October - 2017

To: Members: CARROLL COUNTY MD CHAPTER/AMERICAN WINE SOCIETY
From: Ron Riley, Chair

Hi Everyone..- The leaves are turning and the temps cooling down. Fall is definitely making it's presence known. Time to hit to road to the North Carroll countryside home of Charlie and Roseanne Hedges for their October "gala". And for the 3rd year, Mike, Meggan, Chris and Tracy are the wine presenters. It'll be another good one I'm sure. No food pairings this year, but as I write this Mike and Meggan are busily making some great final wine selections for "A Spice Odyssey-The Aromatics of Cabs and Syrah"

Date is Sunday October 15th 2PM

Seating will be limited with members having first choice. Guests will be considered if there is remaining space. Although we're not expecting this to be an expensive tasting we want to give everyone a heads up that the price *might* exceed \$25 per person.

Please RSVP by October 12th and only to their email address

As always, the earlier the better and please don't forget to bring an appetizer/entree or dessert for the table to share . Hope you can make it!

Thanks to Jerry and Dorothy Hampton who "*knocked it out of the Ballpark*" with a wine trip through Sonoma as they hosted our October wine tasting. Spending their vacations in Sonoma over the past 3 years gave them a wonderful insider look at the diversity of the region which they shared with us. The wine was great and the voting was close:

Warm UP Gloria Ferrere NV Blanc de Blancs	\$20	6 votes	
Rodney Strong Estate Chalk Hill Chardonnay 2015	\$18	10 votes	WHITE WINNER
Dry Creek Vineyard DCV Estate Block 10 Chardonnay 2015	\$32	9 votes	
Fort Ross Pinor Noir 2012	\$52	3 votes	
Dry Creek Vineyard Endeavour Cabernet Sauvignon 2013	\$70	5votes	
Field Stone Staten Family Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2014	\$52	9 votes	RED WINNER
Manzanta Creek Vineyard Rocky Ridge Zinfandel 2014	\$65	8 votes	

This Month kicks off our annual CCAWS Scholarship Fund. Please make contributions payable to AWSEF and pass along John Landon or me for forwarding. Also please don't forget donations of a bottle or two of wine (over \$15 each) to fill the wine raffle baskets which will go to Kelly Horrocks or Tracy Koch Checks should be made out to AWSEF – which will also qualify you for the big Wine Basket Drawings at our Christmas/Holiday event. Kelly will pass along more info and the October and November tastings.

COMING UP:

November 2-4 AWS 2017 Conference Mt. Pocono PA (see AWS website)

November 19th Bill & Michelle Sadler- Eldersburg/Gambrills Nancy Slick will be the Wine Host continuing with part 2 of "wine alphabet" both reds & whites letters H through N

December 10th The "Bubbles Return" at our Holiday Champagne Extravaganza & Wine Basket Raffle -Corynne Courpas and John Landon Westminster

January 15th 2018 Eileen & Richard Sien, Eldersburg. Tasting Theme TBD

February 18th George & Jackie Grillion, Taneytown -Tasting Theme TBD

MEMBER WINE DISCOUNTS:

College Square & Cranberry in Westminster,

MainStreet Liquors, Hampstead,

Total Discount, Eldersburg

- Have AWS Membershipcard handy if asked for it.