

**DECEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER  
CARROLL COUNTY MD CHAPTER/AMERICAN WINE SOCIETY**



To: CCAWS  
From: Ron Riley, Chapter Chair

Hi Everyone..

It's "that wonderful time of the year" which means CCAWS will be turning on the party machine for our annual Holiday Champagne Extravaganza, and it's coming up *fast!* 2PM Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> - House hosting our sometimes "rowdy" band of wine enthusiasts again this year will be Corynne Courpas (hide the silverware CC!) along with ongoing bubbly dialogue by the incomparable John Landon - plus- but of course - the exciting drawings for those beautiful AWSEF Wine Baskets put together by Kelly and Tracey. Plus Becky and Dean Wilson will offer a special basket for the Silent Auction: "The Best Of The Region" featuring Carroll County and surrounding areas.

This is always a popular event so *please RSVP NOW!!!* email preferrYX

As I write this Mike & John are still making decisions - As in past years P/P cost will be higher than usual, but I'm told not over \$50. Please be sure to bring something tasty to share: appetizer/entree'/dessert-and for new members or those attending this event for the first time, many tend to dress up a bit more in the Spirit of the Season.

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Kudos to the Sadlers for hosting the November tasting around the wood-burning fireplaces at their "farm home" and to Nan Slick for selecting and presenting an awesome array of wonderful, unusual and surprising wines

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**WE TASTED:**

**WARM UP:** Crnko Jarenincan White Blend 2016 Laski Riesling, SLOVENIA \$17 RUNNER UP 20 votes  
Jean Perrier et Fils Apremont 2016 100% Jacquere Savoie FRANCE \$18  
Rekalde Txakoli 2016 Hondarribe Zuirri Guitaria SPAIN (Basque region) \$13  
Castelfeder Kerner 2016 Trentino- Alto Adige ITALY \$17  
Jean Perrier et Fils Mondeuse Vieilles Vignes 2010 100% Mondeuse Savoie FRANCE \$10 wine note avail  
Cantine Colosi 100% Nero d'Avola 2015 SICILY \$17 WINNER 31 votes  
Terre Monte Schiavo Marzaiola Lscrima di Morro d'Alba 2012 ITALY \$16  
Goose Watch Rose of Isabella 2016 Finger Lakes NY \$10 (how'd that sneak in;-)

## **NEWS & NOTES:**

Well folks this my 36<sup>th</sup> and final CCAWS Newsletter as I step down after 3 years as your Chapter Chair. It's been invigorating and sometimes challenging, but always fun with great friends, and fantastic wines. Thank you for your support and a special thank you to John Landon, Nancy Slick and my "guiding light" Linda - always there to help. On the 10<sup>th</sup> I'll turn the gavel over to Jerry Hampton, who will begin his term January 1 - the perfect person to enhance our education of wines and new wine experiences and CCAWS's endeavors for work with the Maryland wine industry and growers.

Also, thanks to all who responded to the annual CCAWS/AWSEF endeavor with their checks and wine contributions. The deadline for contributions will be this coming event on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Should you want to make a contribution for \$25 or more make checks payable to AWSEF and give to Mr. Landon. CCAWS Dues (\$10 family) also due at this time and also payable to John.

### **MEMBER WINE DISCOUNTS**

**College Square and Cranberry Westminster - Total Discount Eldersburg**

**Main Street Liquors Hampstead**