



AMERICAN WINE SOCIETY
YEARS OF WINE DISCOVERY

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To: Members of the CARROLL COUNTY MD CHAPTER/AMERICAN WINE SOCIETY

From: Jerry Hampton, Chapter Chair

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Well, it's hard to believe that we are already in November and fast approaching Thanksgiving. Oh, and speaking of Thanksgiving, what a great holiday to think about wine and food! To help us focus on the annual quest for interesting new wines to sample at this (or any) time of the year, we have our one and only Nan Slick who will be continuing her march through the alphabet. **The November tasting is continuing the "ABC's" theme where Nan will introduce us to wines derived from grapes with names starting with the letters O through U.** And, yes, as you may have already noted this range of letters includes the dreaded "Q". If for no other reason, I encourage you to attend this tasting to see how Nan handles this one!

The tasting this month will be **November 18 at 2:00 PM** at the home of **Bill and Michele Sadler**. Please RSVP to Bill and Michele by November 14th by phone.

As always: *Please don't forget to bring an entrée, appetizer, or dessert to share!*

Last Month's News

We had a fantastic tasting last month featuring wines from Sicily and Southern Italy presented by Alphonso Ventrice. The wines were excellent and Alphonso provided an interesting and informative talk about Italy and Italian wines. A big thank you to Ron Riley for conceiving the theme of the tasting and for arranging for our speaker. Special thanks also go to Kelly and Robert Horrocks for hosting this tasting at their home. This is the first time we've had our tasting at the Horrocks' and I thank them for their generosity.

The voting results from the tasting are shown below:

Wine	Retail Price (\$)	Number of Votes
Warm Up Carellucci Miano Catarratto 2017	18.99	13
Tami Frappato 2016	17.99	0
Tami Nero D'Avola 2016	17.99	2
Castellucci Miano Nero D'Avola 2016	18.99	7
Luigi Maffini Cilento Fiano Kratos 2016	25.99	15 (Winner for white)
Cantine Lonardo Aglianico Irpinia 2015	23.99	12 (Winner for red)
Antonio Caggiano Aglianico Tauri 2016	23.99	10

Miscellaneous

Scholarship Fund: Our chapter's contribution to The American Wine Society Education Fund (AWSEF) this year will be honoring Bill and Barb Eisberg. Bill is a former president of the National AWS. As a reminder, AWS chapters around the nation raise scholarship funds for master's and PhD students in enology or other academic fields related to wine making and production. Typically, each graduate student chosen by National is awarded \$3500. To contribute, please write a check of **\$25 or more** made out to AWSEF and send it to John Landon. As an incentive to participate, there is also an annual wine basket raffle at the December tasting on December 9.

To be able to participate, please provide wine or wines costing **at least \$15** to Kelly Horrocks or Tracey Koch. Alternatively, if you want Kelly and Tracey to purchase wine for the baskets on your behalf, send Kelly a check made out to Kelly Horrocks equal to \$15 or more.

Our chapter has a long and distinguished history of contributing generously to the AWSEF, so I encourage as many of you as possible to participate again this year.

Member Wine Discounts: The following establishments offer discounts to AWS members – College Square Liquors and Cranberry Liquors in Westminster, Main Street Liquors, Hampstead, and Total Discount Liquors, Eldersburg.

2018 - 2019 Tasting Schedule

Below is the developing tasting schedule for the remainder of this year and the beginning of 2019. I will be reaching out to some of you in the near future to start getting commitments for our future tastings.

Month	House Host	Wine Host	Theme
November 11/18/18	Bill & Michele Sadler	Nan Slick	More ABCs: O through U.
December 12/9/18	Corynne Courpas	John Landon	Champagne soiree
January 1/20/19	Jerry & Dorothy Hampton	Janine Wilson	Big Reds (exact name TBD)
February 2/17/19	George & Jacki Grillon	Robert Horrocks	TBD
March 3/17/19	Eileen Sien	Michael Sien	TBD