



June - 2020

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

From: Corynne Courpas, Chapter Chair

Hi all,

The challenges continue. I feel like a "broken record", for those old enough to know what that is; thinking most of us? We are postponing our National Tasting Project that was scheduled for June. We are working on ways to reschedule. Thanks to Pat Valas for doing the research to find that the results are now due January 1 and that a virtual tasting will be offered at some point this year. Pat, Ron and others are still exploring ways for our Chapter to hold some tastings, especially with the new extended deadline. For now, the only thing I am sure of is that everything is subject to change.

I did have one thought when Doc Desai shared that local Wineries have been cleared to open for outdoor service. The guidelines may be stringent enough for some of you to venture out in the prescribed groups of 6 or less. If you do, please feel free to share your plans and experiences and I will pass along to the group as quickly as possible.

STILL more thankful than ever that I have WINE in my life. Enjoying a few Roses and an occasional Gin or Vodka and tonic with some Natalies lime juice. And thanks to the Desais for introducing me to the joy of a white port and tonic. Hmmm , do you think quinine might fight off the virus....?

LAST MONTH'S NEWS

Well actually, LAST MONTHS NEWS is not much news. As restaurants phase in outdoor dining and beyond, I am setting a unique set of goals for my last 100 days of employment at Performance Foods. I do so hope I get to

see all of you wonderful people by September to raise a glass! For now, nice checking in with so many of you.

I remain thankful for the many sources we have that are following the rules and delivering curbside and to our homes.

Chapter and AWS Dues

Please don't forget to pay your national AWS and chapter dues for 2020. I have received an updated roster for the National. If you have any questions about your current status, please reach out. Chapter dues are only \$10 per household, payable to CCAWS. You can pay John Landon in person at a tasting or mail it to him. [*Address redacted*]

National AWS dues are as follows:

For one person - \$49 (for 1 year); \$124 (for 3 years)

For two people at same address - \$62 (for 1 year); \$158 (for 3 years).

To pay national AWS dues online, go to

<http://americanwinesociety.org/joinnow/> to join or renew your membership.

Please keep in mind AWS requires that everyone who participates in AWS activities, which includes local chapter tastings, must be AWS members. Non-members and guests can only attend two times per year.

Member Wine Discounts

The following establishments offer discounts to AWS members –

- College Square Liquors, Westminster
- Cranberry Liquors, Westminster
- Main Street Liquors, Hampstead
- Total Discount Liquors, Eldersburg
- Total Wine

2020 Tasting Schedule; A work in progress for sure

Month	House Host	Wine Host	Theme
January 1/19/20	Jerry & Dorothy Hampton	Janine Wilson	Rioja wines
February 2/16/20	"Vacation"		
March 3/8/20	Eileen Sien	Michael Sien	Team Tasting Challenge
April 4/19/20	Postponed		
May 5/17/20	Postponed	Doc Desai	Douro Valley Wines- DOC does hope to present at a later date!
June 6/21/20	Postponed	Pat Valas	National Tasting: Expanding & Exciting! Washington State AVAs, featuring Ste. Michelle Wine Estates Washington Portfolio
July 7/19/20	George & Jackie Grillon	N/A	Picnic
August 8/16/20	OPEN	Robert Horrocks	TBD
September 9/20/20	Joe & Lynn Breeding	Simone Haslauer & Leroy Stewart	TBD
October 10/18/20	Robert & Kelly Horrocks	Tracy Koch and Meggan Robinson (TBD)	TBD
November 11/22/20	Bill & Michele Sadler	Nan Slick	Snobby Wines-An Adventure with Hybrids
December 12/13/20	Corynne Courpas (TBD)	John Landon (TBD)	Champagne Soiree
