



January- 2021

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

From: Corynne Courpas, Chapter Chair

Hi all,

You will see that the calendar is still a bit sparse. As we await the opportunity to go back to our old ways, I did have a thought. Perhaps someone would like to arrange a Spring/Summer tasting at one of our local wineries, where "social distancing" is possible... Anyone with ANY ideas, please reach out.

I know we are all looking forward to our ZOOM with Matt Cline on **February 21 (open at 3:00 for 4:00 start)**. Doc sent along the following info about the winery.

"Three Wine Company is much more than a business. It is a family winery focused on sustainable growing, coupled with a hands-on wine experience. Winemaker Matt Cline's philosophy is that: the dirt, the micro-climate, and sustainable wine growing (from vineyard to bottle) form the cornerstone of good winemaking, and is in every bottle three produces. Matt's winemaking career began in 1982 helping his brother at his Oakley winery; in 1985 he began as winemaker and creative director at Cline Cellars. In addition to his position at Cline in 1986 he joined Conn Creek as the assistant winemaker which lasted through 1989. Over the course of his 16 year career at Cline, Matt was responsible for branding Cline Cellars' unique style of winemaking. Cline Cellars' wines have won countless awards including the 1998 Sonoma County Harvest Fair Sweepstakes Award for his 1996 Syrah Los Carneros, selected from among 587 wines. Cline Cellars has also had the distinction of being one of Wine & Spirits Magazine's American Wineries of the Year in both 1999 and 2001."

Remember to order your wines using the sheet I sent and will attach again. FYI, Matt assures us that they do not sell their email list. You will get an email "blast" once or twice a month, but you can opt out at time of purchase

or when you receive the first blast. **Please RSVP to Doc and me by February 16.**

***Please return any bottles from previous tastings to Bill or me, but no special trips needed. You can do the next time we go back to small bottle pick ups.*

LAST MONTH'S NEWS

Janine and Jerry put together a great challenge for us all. Thanks to them and all our enthusiastic participants. It's hard to track on ZOOM, but I think Dori Batavick gets the nod for most discerning palate. I am listing the wonderful selection of wines that were all purchased at College Square.

<i>Warmup- Villa Creek Rose 2019</i>	<i>\$17.99</i>	<i>2 votes</i>
<i>Old World</i>		
<i>Dept. 66 Others Grenache 2014</i>	<i>\$29.99</i>	<i>9 votes</i>
<i>Pierre Jean Villa 2015</i>	<i>\$41.99</i>	<i>0 votes</i>
<i>Chateau La Mothe Du Barry Bordeaux 2018</i>	<i>\$13.99</i>	<i>4 votes</i>
<i>New World</i>		
<i>Elizabeth Spencer Grenache 2016</i>	<i>\$25.99</i>	<i>5 votes</i>
<i>Gramercy Lower East Syrah 2016</i>	<i>\$29.99</i>	<i>2 votes</i>
<i>J. Lohr Los Osos Merlot 2018</i>	<i>\$16.99</i>	<i>5 votes</i>

Chapter and AWS Dues

Please don't forget to pay your national AWS and chapter dues for 2021. 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 at [the address found on the [Membership Brochure at ccaws.net](#)].

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/join-now/> 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
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2021 Tasting Schedule

Month	House ZOOM Host	Wine Host	Theme
January 1/17/2021	Jerry Hampton ZOOM	Janine Wilson	Test your palate
February 2/21/2021	Matt Cline Three Wine Company	Doc Desai	Old Vines
March 3/21/2021	Bill Sadler	Nan Slick	NOTE: Business meeting at 3:00 Snobby Wines-An adventure with Hybrids
April 4/18/2021	Eileen Sein		

May 5/16/2021	Desai?		Douro wines??
June 6/20/2021	Riley	Pat Valas	NTP
July 7/18/2021			Picnic??
August 8/15/2021			
September 9/19/2021			
October 10/17/2021			
November 11/21/2021			
December 12/12/2021	Corynne Courpas (TBD)	John Landon (TBD)	Champagne Soiree