



July - 2021

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

**From:** Corynne Courpas, Chapter Chair

Hi All,

Wasn't it wonderful to get together in June?? I do so hope we are out of the woods.

And now we have our fun and relaxing Picnic to look forward to. It will be at the lovely country estate of George and Jackie Grillon, **on July 18 starting at 2:00 pm.**

Practice your Horseshoe tossing and bring a bottle of wine and a dish to share. Bring your swimsuit if you wish to enjoy their beautiful pool! Please RSVP to Jackie Grillon [jgrillon@qis.net](mailto:jgrillon@qis.net) and me. As always, the picnic is open to all members and their families and we will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. So that we may shop, we'd like to have a pretty accurate count **by July 12.**

There are a lot of things to organize to finish out 2021, so please respond in any way you can to below.

**August-** I am happy to "house host". If someone is willing to be the "wine host" that would be great. Otherwise, we'll do a BYOB. Suggested themes; White, red or rose, depending on first letter of your last name. Or maybe, just bring your favorite hot weather beverage and each talk briefly about it. Note, I am leaving this open for you beer or cocktail drinkers to "go rogue".

**September-** I'll be traveling overseas. I'll send out a newsletter before I leave, but I'm looking for a "team" to take over from there. Note: I did contact Old Westminster Winery and they are still not booking groups. But a Winery or other site is an option for that month and below. Think outside the box!

**October** and **November** are still open.

AND, while you have your thinking caps on, I've been asked to discuss the possibility of changing our date in June 2022. Some of our stalwarts, and

some new potential members, understandably chose to spend Father's Day with their kids/dads. There's no rush, but I would like to decide before the end of 2021. Please forward your thoughts to me and I will compile and share. If no clear cut consensus, we'll vote.

## **LAST MONTH'S NEWS**

I hope all would agree that Simone found us a gem for our location! Our nine NTP wines were outstanding. If I heard one overall comment, it was "who knew ILLYRIAN wines would be so interesting... and delicious." We had some extra bottles and there was a great demand among attendees to purchase. Thanks to our "Treasurer for Life", John Landon, for managing this.

HUGE thanks to Pat Valas for securing the wines and Dean Wilson for his excellent presentation. And thanks to Becky Wilson and Simone for keeping the wine flowing.

## **Chapter and AWS Dues**

Please don't forget to pay your national AWS and chapter dues for 2021. I receive 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

### **2021 Tasting Schedule**

<b>Month</b>	<b>House ZOOM Host</b>	<b>Wine Host</b>	<b>Theme</b>
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 <b>3/14/2021</b>	Nan	NOLOCO partnership	BANFI Super Tuscan Wines
April 4/18/2021	Eileen Sien	Eileen	Matzinger Davies wines NOTE: Business meeting at 3:00
May 5/16/2021	Breeding/Courpas	Nan Slick	Snobby Wines- An adventure with hybrids
June 6/20/2021	Rob's Blugrass Barn	Dean Wilson	NTP
July 7/18/2021	Grillon	BYOB & Surprise Champagnes	PICNIC! Grillons look forward to hosting on their lovely property!
August 8/15/2021	Corynne	??	
September 9/19/2021	OPEN		NOTE: I will be traveling.
October 10/17/2021	OPEN		
November 11/21/2021	OPEN		
December 12/12/2021	Corynne Courpas (TBD)	John Landon (TBD)	Champagne Soiree

\*\*\*\*\* Subject to change. Very tentative at this point.