



May 2023

To: Members and friends of the Carroll County, MD Chapter of the American Wine Society

From: Bill Sadler, Chapter Chair

Happy Mother's Day! My apologies to all of you for the lateness of this newsletter. The last several weeks have been a whirlwind for me. As one of the teachers responsible for planning and executing Century's Junior/Senior Prom this year, I've seen one too many decorations, menus, weather reports, spreadsheets, guest passes and procrastination excuses from students wanting to buy tickets after the deadline! The prom was last night, and all went well! Deep breath and now off to the next thing!

2023 Business Meeting

As was mentioned in earlier newsletters, the AWSEF scholarship in Memory of Carmen and Honor of Richard Blosveren has been fully funded and will be awarded for the 2023-24 school year. Thanks to all who contribute to this noble cause.

John Landon reported that our account balance stands at \$2,293.48 as of March 21, 2023 and that there are numerous households that still owe dues to the chapter.

There are several updates on discounts available to members. First, College Square in Westminster is reducing the blanket discount on wine to 15%, but they also note that a 10% discount is also available on beer for CCAWS members. They will be sharing more details with us in the future. Second, The Wine Post in Glyndon is now offering a 20% discount to CCAWS members. Thank you, Nancy, for helping to make that happen! Finally, Gourmet Wine & Liquors on Klee Mill Road in Eldersburg/Sykesville advertises regularly in the various coupon mailers offering a 20% discount on 6 bottles or more. They are family owned and have a well-priced set of offerings.

Finally, we'll be looking for a new Chapter Chair starting in January 2025. Anyone who might be interested in serving should let John, Nancy or myself me know. Now for a recap of the April tasting!

April 2023 Recap

Our tasting for the month of April, 2023 was held at the home of **Jerry and Dorothy Hampton** with **Bernie Vogel** serving as the wine host for the first time with the Chapter. The theme was “Old World - vs - New World: Faceoff with off-the-Beaten-Path Reds,” and it was an all-red tasting.

Now for the tasting results! The group that gathered enjoyed the following:

Goats Do Roam, White 2020	\$15	Business Mtg. Warm-up
Stolpman Rose NV (California)	\$22	did not vote
Clos La Coutale Malbec 2020 (France)	\$20	6 votes (tied for winner)
Catena Florist, 2019 (Argentina)	\$18	4 votes
2 Vaches Rouge (France)	\$17	3 votes
Cerro Chapeu Tannat 2019 (Uruguay)	\$16	1 vote
Bonneliere Chinon 2020 (France)	\$26	6 votes (tied for winner)
Field Recordings Franc 2021 (California)	\$23	5 votes

May 2023 Tasting Information

Our tasting for the month of May, 2023 will be held at the home of **Dori and Frank Batavick** on May 21st at 2p.m. Our wine host will be Nancy Slick and we'll be exploring Italian Whites. Know that this will be no red wines at this tasting, though maybe I'll find a way to have something after the formal tasting for all of you who are red-fanatics!

May 21, 2023 @ 2pm

Dori and Frank Batavick

[the location buttons on ccaws.net/mobile]

Park in the cul-de-sac or on the grass along the driveway.

RSVP by May 19, 2023 to Frank at: [the RSVP links at ccaws.net and ccaws.net/mobile]

Chapter and AWS Dues

If you haven't already, please pay your national AWS and chapter dues for 2023. If you have any questions about your current status, please reach out to me. 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 Discount

The following establishments offer discounts to AWS members (don't forget to show your card):

- College Square Liquors, Westminster
 - Cranberry Liquors, Westminster
 - Jeannie Bird Baking Company, Westminster
 - Main Street Liquors, Hampstead
 - The Wine Post, Glyndon
 - Total Discount Liquors, Eldersburg
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2023 Tasting Schedule

As you can see, the schedule thins out starting with August 2023. If you are interested in serving as a house or wine host, please reach out to me at [the **Chairperson** link on ccaws.net and ccaws.net/mobile] and we can set that up!

Month	House Host	Wine Host	Theme
January 1/22/2023 4th SUNDAY	Sadler	Pankaj (Doc) Desai	Douro Valley, Portugal
March 3/19/2023	Eileen Sein	Rick Davis	Calstar Cellars
April 4/16/2023	Dorothy & Jerry Hampton	Bernie Vogel	Old World - vs - New World: Faceoff with off-the-Beaten-Path Reds
May 5/21/2023	Dori & Frank Batavick	Nancy Slick	Italian Whites
June 6/11/2023	Linda & Ron Riley	Patricia Valas	National Tasting Project
July 7/9/2023 2nd SUNDAY	Jackie & George Grillon	BYOB	Picnic
August 8/20/2023	Steve and Theresa Prevosto	TBD	TBD
September 9/17/2023	Dan Reppe		
October 10/15/2023	Horrocks, Kelly & Robert	Tracy Koch & Susan McGreevy	
November 11/12/2023 2nd SUNDAY	TBD	TBD	TBD
December 12/10/2023 2nd SUNDAY	Corynne Courpas	TBD	Champagne Soiree