



June 2024 Newsletter

To: Members and friends of the Carroll County, MD Chapter of the American Wine Society
From: Bill Sadler, Chapter Chair

On a personal note ... the students are done, my grades are in and all I have to do tomorrow is tidy up my classroom, clean a few test tubes, write a few obligation notes for missing textbooks and watch an afternoon Orioles game. Say, how 'bout 'dem O's hon? Six in a row!

I hope everyone is well as we look forward to the rest of the month and the arrival of official summer; know that we will have the National Tasting Project this month on June 23rd at the home of **Linda and Ron Riley**, hosted by the amazing **Pat Valas**. See below for the agenda.

Finally, a shout out to **Dean and Becky Wilson**: They have graciously volunteered to serve as the newsletter editors for this group that we love so much. This will be the last newsletter that comes directly from me! I'll still be providing data for the newsletter so you shouldn't see any obvious changes, it will just be coming to you from a different email address.

Business Meeting Review

Here is a recap of the meeting notes courtesy of our eminent secretary Nancy Slick:

1. Treasurer's Report \$1,328.62
Mr. Landon wants the "slackers" to pay their chapter and National dues!
2. A revision to the By-laws was suggested and carried:
Article II Officers
Section 5
"If necessary any officer may designate another member to perform their duties at a monthly meeting. This was updated to "perform their duties as needed."
3. George Grillion made the suggestion to have Tastings every other month, but the members decided to keep the meetings monthly.
4. We have recruited some new members this year but everyone is encouraged to invite people to our chapter, especially younger folks!
5. A suggestion was made to create a vice-chair position to eventually move into the chair position, but no action or vote was taken on this.
6. The chairperson position is open, but no one has volunteered. We will revisit this in 6 months
7. John Landon will remain as Treasurer and Nancy Slick as Secretary.
8. With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

May Recap

Our April tasting was at the Hampstead home of **Steve and Theresa Prevosto**. Our wine host extraordinaire was **Nancy Slick** with the theme for the tasting being “Rosé All Day.”

Here are the tasting wines:

Wine	Cost	Wine Votes
Warm-up: Campo Viejo Cava Brut Rose, NV	\$16	3 votes
Alexander Valley Vineyards Dry Rose of Sangiovese, 2022	\$20	no votes
Landhaus Mayer Zweigelt Rose, 2023	\$17	4 votes
Colle Corviano Cerasuolo d'Abruzzo Montepulciano, 2023	\$12	6 votes
Feudi di San Gregorio Ros'Aura Aglianico, 2020	\$18	7 votes
Audarya Rosato Cannonau di Sardegna, 2022	\$21	9 votes (winner)
Calstar Cellars Rose of Pinot Meunier, 2022	\$25	1 vote

June Preview

This month our tasting will be on the 4th Sunday, June 23, 2024 at the Woodbine home of **Linda and Ron Riley**. Our wine expert will be **Pat Valas** leading us in the process for judging the “National Tasting Project.” This is the tasting where all chapters across the land are tasting a select group of wines from the same region. This tasting is usually done blind, and Pat will collect our tasting sheets to report the results back to the national AWS folks. This tasting, depending on attendance, could cost between \$30 to \$45, so please be prepared. Don’t forget to bring a dish for the collective table to support our gastronomic needs after the tasting!

Please RSVP to Ron:

June 23, 2024 @ 2:00 pm

The Riley House

[the location buttons on ccaws.net/mobile]

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

RSVP by June 21, 2024 to Ron at: ron10nov@gmail.com

Chapter and AWS Dues

Chapter dues are only \$10 per household, payable to CCAWS. You can pay John Landon in person at the 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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2024 Tasting Schedule

We are still in need of a house host for August. 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 1/21/2024	Tammy Mangon	Sadler/Slick	There's no place like home
February 2/18/2024	CANCELLED		
March 3/17/2024	Eileen Sien	Dorothy Hampton	New Varietals for a Warming Planet
April 4/21/2024	Brian and Marty Sweeney	Michele & Bill Sadler	The Label Made Me Buy It
May 5/26/2024	Steve and Theresa Prevosto	Nancy Slick	Rose All Day
June 6/23/2024	Linda and Ron Riley	Pat Valas	National Tasting Project
July 7/21/2024	George and Jackie Grillon	BYOB	Picnic
August 8/18/2024		TBD	
September 9/15/2024	Dan Reppe	TBD	
October 10/20/2024	Kelly & Robert Horrocks	Tracy Koch	
November 11/17/2024	Eileen Sien	Becky Wilison	
December 12/15/2024	Corynne Courpas	TBD	Sparkling Wine Gala