GENCO Sonoma County

GENCO GAZETTE

July 2021

JULY MEETING: WEDNESDAY 28TH — VINEYARD TOUR SINCLAIR RANCH VINEYARD TOUR AND TASTING

AUGUST MEETING: WEDNESDAY 25TH – BARBERA TOM (*THE BARBERAIAN*) JEREB WILL DISCUSS BARBERA

AUGUST 5TH - GENCO WINE COMPETITION

SEPTEMBER 11TH: AWARDS BANQUET

JUNE 23, 2021 WINE LIBRARIAN: MEGAN JONES DEVELOPING YOUR HOME WINERY: GARY ALVEY



Megan Jones gave a power-point presentation on the benefits of and how to utilize the Sonoma County Wine library.

- Digital Collections
- Sonoma County Visionaries, Immigrants and Winemakers
- Wine Photography Collection
- Periodicals

Gary Alvey discussed several factors for those new to home-wine making in their equipment needs. What to rent, borrow, or purchase?

He discussed member's wine making needs based on volume of wine to be made, variety of grapes to be processed, location and space for wine making equipment, and background and experience in the wine making process. Thanks for the great power-point presentation packed with information for the home winemaker. Number one take-away, it will be a lot of work and money, but a great hobby!

JULY 28, 2021 — 7:00PM IN PERSON!!!!
VINEYARD TOUR-WINE EVALUATION WITH MIKE SINCLAIR-GARY ALVEY
SINCLAIR RANCH, DRY CREEK VALLEY, HEALDSBURG
602 W. GRANT X KINLEY DRIVE (FRONTAGE ROAD WEST OF SB 101)

Mike will provide a walking tour of the vineyards he farms. You'll start with cordon pruned Zinfandel vineyard, 50+ years old, continue to a cane pruned Sauvignon Blanc vineyard planted in the early 2000's and as we walk back to Mike & Gary's Winery building, you'll tour a cordon pruned Chardonnay vineyard planted in 1999. We will taste a Sauvignon Blanc and Zinfandel made from the grapes, as well as have some social time with some tasty treats.

1 glass meeting





Our first in-person party since 2019 was held on June 26th at the bayside gardens of George and Mary Lou Marek. 40 members enjoyed a great afternoon of gourmet appetizers, clam and seafood bake, Caesar salad and assorted desserts. Thanks to the Mareks, Hagens, Alveys, and Sheila for all the work they did to set up this fun event. See the next page for some photos of the picnic.

Our first raffle was a success with great 8 prizes that raised \$300 for the Redwood Empire Food Bank. Thanks to all those who donated raffle items and bid on the items.











MANY THANKS TO OUR HOSTS GEORGE & MARY LOU MAREK
A PERFECT DAY BY THE BAY FOR THE GENCO PICNIC



