



Garage Enologists of North County

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Next Meeting: Tuesday-February 26, 2013
Place: Good Shepherd, Healdsburg
Time: 7:00 PM
Wine Glasses: 3



JANUARY MEET SUMMARY - RECORD KEEPING & LABEL MAKING

We had a group discussion about labels and sources of label preparation assistance. We also discussed the importance of and the different ways to keep your winemaking records for future reference. We followed the meeting with judging of several white and Rose wines. Tracy Page was the clear winner with 17 gold and 16 silver.

FEBRUARY MEETING - TANNIN BALANCE & ADJUSTMENT TECHNIQUES BOB PEAK – THE BEVERAGE PEOPLE

Bob is going to present this topic at the upcoming Winemaker Conference in Monterey and we will benefit from a preview. This subject has never been discussed before at GENCO. Wines can benefit from tannin adjustment and we will learn all about it. Bob will have a couple sample wines of Petite Sirah to demonstrate the results. I encourage members to **bring a home-made Petite** to supplement the tasting (it takes two bottles). **This is a three glass meeting.**

GENCO TRAVEL - Sign up for the Paso Robles trip this June 2-5 led by Dave & Barbara Schaffer. The Central Coast is becoming a hot bed of fine wines and the trip promises to be outstanding, just as the prior wine country trips have been. A trip notice has been sent to all members and will be posted on the GENCO Website soon.

WINEMAKER MAGAZINE ANNUAL CONFERENCE -

The conference this year is in Monterey May 17-18. It is a big event that has sold out each year in the past. Details can be found on our Website. There is still time to get the early sign-up discount.

COMPETITIONS - Get your wines ready. There is again no Fermenters International or State Fair competition this year, but the Winemaker Magazine competition, the largest home winemaker competition in the world, is around the corner. Details are on the GENCO Website. Come April most of the others will be here. Orange County is the best but there are also Marin, Sonoma-Marín, San Joaquin, Alameda and others.

DUES - Annual dues are \$20 per family and should be paid by the end of this month. Bring dues to this meeting. Alternatively mail a check made out to Mike Miller, 1865 Trimble Ln, Cloverdale, 95425.

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