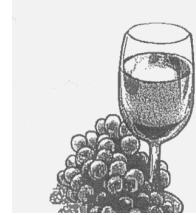


GENCO Garage Enologists of North County

www.gencowinemakers.com

•**Next Meeting:** January 25, 2017 - Wednesday
Place: Good Shepherd, Healdsburg
Time: 7:00 PM
Glasses: 4



CHRISTMAS PARTY – Wow!! Carol and crew did another outstanding job decorating, and you the members provided the Holiday feast and wine. 'Twas another fine finish to the year, thanks to each of you!

JANUARY MEETING – ACTIVITIES DURING THE AGING PROCESS – GROUP DISCUSSION

Aging is essential to winemaking. Of course clarification is a major element but then there is temperature management, topping up, testing and perhaps adjusting, M/L checking, cold stabilizing, filtering and/or fining, determining when there is enough oak, and a whole host of other things. There are many different decisions and methods for some of these.

We have many seasoned winemakers and each has their own style and experience. Long time Genco member Bob Bennett will lead a discussion, with hopefully differing thoughts, differing methods, and pros and cons, about each of these activities. Come ready to ask your questions and share your knowledge.

We will conclude the meeting with the group judging of member Bordeaux red varietal wines. Support the GENCO group by sharing your wine. Bring your Cab Sauv, Merlot, Cab Franc, Malbec, or Petit Verdot wines to be judged by your peers. We will need two bottles of each. Our judging sessions are a good and fun experience for all, so don't miss out.

Bring four glasses each to the meeting.

Announcing GENCO'S

6TH ANNUAL Amateur Winemaking Competition

ENTRIES FORMS: Entry forms along with the entry fee must be received by Sunday March 26th.

DROP OFF: Entries can be brought to the March 23rd (Thursday) meeting.

JUDGING: Thursday, March 30th

AWARDS DINNER: Saturday, April 22

***Winemaker Magazine Competition Enter your wine –
Wine entries need to be delivered to our Vermont offices at***

Battenkill Communications • 5515 Main St. • Manchester Center, Vermont 05255
by:

March 3, 2017

Wines will be judged in Vermont:

April 6-9, 2017

Results first announced at WineMaker Magazine Conference in Ithaca, NY
(Results will be posted on winemakermag.com and mailed out soon after):

June 3, 2017

WINE COMPETITIONS

The Winemaker Magazine competition is around the corner. It is pretty costly but it is the largest amateur competition in the world and very highly regarded. Flyers will be available at the January meeting.

Also, get ready for our own Genco competition. We have many fine winemakers in our group and the judging will be interesting.

Later in the Spring we will have Marin, Sonoma-Marin, Orange County, Napa, and more, so polish up your wines and be ready. We will post you on the competition info as it becomes available.

DUES – Annual dues are \$35 per family and should be paid at the Jan or Feb meeting. Best way to pay is bring dues to the January meeting. Alternatively, mail a check made out to our Treasurer Rita Maloney, 6169 San Bruno Ct, Rohnert Park 94928. Or go to the Genco website members area and pay by PAYPAL (\$28)

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