



## Garage Enologists of North County

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**Next Meeting:** September 23 - Wednesday  
**Place:** Good Shepherd  
**Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Glasses:** 2



### **HOME WINEMAKING SANITATION –**

**Maria Navarro -- Winemaking Specialist, Enartis Vinquiry, Windsor**

Proper and diligent sanitation procedures are one of the key aspects to making fine wine. But what are good sanitation procedures? Key information about winery sanitation will be discussed. Sometimes good cleaning is sufficient and other times sanitizing is important. Maria will bring this into focus.

Following are her key subject areas:

- Cleaning vs sanitizing
- Proper sanitation and storage procedures
- Microorganisms: sources & consequences
- Types of sanitizers (benefits & faults)

The discussion will be followed by tasting of member recently bottled wine. I know, aging enhances most wines, but early tasting will show the promise that wine has. We encourage **every member who has never brought a wine** for sharing to seize the moment, but bring two bottles.

### **HARVEST FAIR AMATEUR WINE COMPETITION**

Saturday Sep 19 the amateur wines will be judged starting at 9 am. The results should be posted Sep 23, the day of our meeting. We hope to announce the winners at our September meeting and to have several winners brought for tasting at our October meeting.

The Harvest Fair is a bit short of judges. If you are experienced and have not signed up, or if you feel you have a good palate and you can do a good job evaluating these wines, please contact Monica Rodriguez, Exhibits Coordinator by email at [exhibits@sonomacountyfair.com](mailto:exhibits@sonomacountyfair.com) or cell phone at 365-7497. Give it a try!! They need help and you'll be glad you gave it a fling.

**Set aside the date: Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup>, for our Harvest Party  
Details to follow via email.**

Denise Wright, GENCO Secretary

