



GENCO GAZETTE

August 2024

GENCO MEETS ON THE 4TH WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

AUGUST 28, 2024 - 7:00 PM: EXTENDED MACERATION

Good Shepherd Church

1402 University St. Healdsburg – downstairs in Gruenhagen Hall

SEPTEMBER 25, 2024: MAYO WINERY

JULY 24, 2024: QUIZ TIME!

Fifty members took part in a quiz testing their winemaking knowledge at the July meeting. Although challenging and thought provoking, it seemed to capture everyone's interest. Some tough questions dealing with important winemaking concepts and practices. Congratulations to all!

On the podium for GENCO's very own Winemakers' Olympics:

GOLD: Henry Ptasinski

SILVER: John Wilshire

BRONZE: Bruce Krueger

Linda Hagen, filling in for Mary Lou, provided a French-inspired menu to enhance wine tasting during our social hour. In honor of the Paris Olympics, some traditional French cuisine, shitake mushroom terrine, beef and pork pâté, chicken galantine, and lemon, almond bavarois were offered.

BARREL PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Barrel Project, a program that enables new winemakers, or those with limited experience, to participate in the opportunity to make wine as a part of a team, supported by winemakers with experience and a background in making wine.

Coordinator - Kasey Eunice

Processing Facility - John & Lynn Wilshire

Fruit Source - Zinfandel TBD

Barrel - John may provide one, will need to confirm/year TBD

Estimated Costs - \$60 per participant

AUGUST 28, 2024: EXTENDED MACERATION OF RED WINES

Our speaker for the next GENCO meeting, Wednesday August 28th, will be Otis Holt, a former GENCO member, and an exceptionally talented amateur winemaker and grape grower. He plans to delve into extended maceration, as few of us know much about the practice. His talk is titled "*Extended Wine Maceration of Red Wines – The Joy of (really!)*" His talk is based on his successful experimentation during his 40 years of amateur winemaking and 30 years of wine grape growing. The focus will be on red wines produced by deliberate extended maceration of up to a month. Four such wines will be offered for tasting.

Mary Lou will be providing taste treats for the social hour after the meeting.



4 GLASS MEETING

Don't forget to RSVP!!!

RSVP to Mary Lou by August 25!

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AMATEUR WINE COMPETITION

HARVEST FAIR IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH GENCO AGAIN!



- ❁ An entry consists of 2 bottles
- ❁ Entries Open: July 1, 2024
- ❁ Entries Close: Aug. 23, 2024
- ❁ Wine Received: Aug. 26-30
- ❁ Awards Night Gala: Oct 12

Taste, Toast & Celebrate!
Saturday, October 12th
from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
in the Tasting Pavilion
at the Sonoma County
Fairgrounds.

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