

The Y.E.S. Newsletter

A monthly publication for members of the Yakima Enological Society



Y.E.S. Christmas Party

We will once again have our Y.E.S. Christmas Party at the Yakima Country Club. We had such a fabulous turnout last year, we hope to have even more in attendance this year. Please invite your friends and family. The event begins at 6:30 p.m., but there is a cash bar available from 5:30-6:30 at the Club. The price will stay the same at \$65 per person for Y.E.S. members, but \$75 per person for nonmembers. At 6:30, **Brad Baldwin** from **Stems** will start us off with a sparkling greeting wine while we mingle and taste a few hors d'oeuvres. At 7:00 we will all enjoy dinner prepared by Chef Charlie Reed, along with our own wines we are able to bring to the event. Dinner will include prime rib and Sole Paupiettes, along with Whipped Potatoes, Roasted Butternut Squash and Tomato Dubarry aux Cauliflower... and more. At 8:00, put your dancing shoes on for Die Bruder, a favorite local Yakima band. We will wrap up the evening with a Port wine and dessert from the Christmas Pastry Table.

—Dorene Boyle



November Recap: 2018 Grape Cup competition

It was a cozy tailgating party at the Yakima Valley Museum. Y.E.S. members arrived, supporting their school colors of WSU or UW. The tasty greeting wines were provided by **Southard Winery**, and one produced by **WSU's Viticulture and Enology Program**.

The members blind-tasted three Cabernet Sauvignon wines from three local wineries: Southard Winery (Selah) **UW**, **Wit Cellars** (Prosser) **WSU**, and **Bonair Winery** (Zillah) **WSU**. The tasting lasted throughout the evening, with voting occurring near the end of the event.

The tailgating food included pulled pork sandwiches, two types of chicken wings, Costco vegetable platters, three tins of famous WSU cheeses, and a dessert of incredible WSU Apple Cup Crisp ice cream.

The members sat at three tables, forming three teams for the trivia competition. The trivia questions included 10 multiple-choice questions on wine, 10 questions on WSU, and 10 questions on UW. Competition was lively. When tallied, there were only a few points separating the three tables. The winning table received 8 free tastings and a 15% discount at Wit Cellars. The second place table received 8 free tastings at Southard Winery. The third place table consisted of three Board Members. They were awarded a fun evening!

And, at the end of the evening, the blind-tasting votes were tallied. The three wines ranked very close to each other, separated by only a few points. The winner was Bonair Winery, representing **WSU**. The **2018**

THE DETAILS

Date: Wednesday, DEC 12

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Yakima Country Club (500 Country Club Drive, Yakima)

Cost: \$65 per person for members; \$75 per person for nonmembers

Registration deadlines:

Mail: Postmarked by **FRI 12/07**

Online: Pay with Brown Paper Tickets by 11:59 p.m. on **SUN 12/09**. Go to <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3913115>

Phone: Call Marie Clark at 697-3364 until 8 p.m., **SUN 12/09**

Y.E.S. Grape Cup was presented to **Gail and Shirley Puryear**, founders and original winemaker of Bonair Winery.

—Sandy Saffell



Plan Ahead... Y.E.S. Calendar of Upcoming Events

—Greg Masset

January...
No event

February...
Y.E.S. Valentine's Event

March...
Annual Meeting
Yakima Valley Museum

President's Corner **December 2018**

Following is a quick list of the upcoming **Y.E.S. events**. Please **Save the Dates!**

December 12, 2018 – The **Annual Y.E.S. Christmas Party** at the Country Club. Please refer to the introductory article in this newsletter. Live band, great food, good company, a Great Event. Don't miss it! And, sign up early. (Really!)

January 2019 – Our annual “bye” month. Let winter take her course. Recover from the holidays and embark on your New Year's resolutions. Good luck!

February 13, 2019 – **Valentine's Event**. Our plan is to combine a local restaurant with a local winery and a Valentine's theme. We're negotiating with two very popular restaurants and several wineries now. Results are enticing. Don't miss this event!

March 13, 2019 – **Annual Y.E.S. Potluck / Meeting**. This is a popular event, where members shine. The potluck always produces great foods. You will also be fed our annual statistics, briefly. If you have energy, drive, and the love of wine, there may be an open board position for you. Please let one of the current board members know! New board members will be elected to fill vacant positions.

April 13, 2019 – **Annual Platinum Dinner**. The “**Best of the Best Washington Wines**” are recognized this evening. And, I've heard through the **grapevine** (sorry) that the selected wines have topped all previous years. Our Washington wines continue to mature, and “Kick Butt,” internationally. So proud!

—Roy Lewis, Y.E.S. President

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What Y.E.S. Christmas Party

When Wednesday, December 12, 2018
6:30 p.m. start

Where Yakima Country Club (500 Country Club Dr., Yakima)

Yes, we'll be there...

Name(s) _____

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Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number of Members _____ @ \$65 = \$_____

Number of Guests _____ @ \$75 = \$_____

Total Enclosed: \$_____

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Postmarked by DEC 07, 2018

Or pay online with Brown Paper Tickets
by 11:59 PM DEC 09, 2018

Look for the BPT link on the Y.E.S. website

Important: Please include your phone number AND email in case we need to reach you.

★ Please note any dietary restrictions: _____

★ Please note if you are bringing a guest who does not drink alcohol ____ YES ____ NO

Please clip and mail this form with your check to: Yakima Enological Society, PO Box 2395, Yakima WA 98907

All reservations must be paid for in advance and are NON REFUNDABLE