



Chapter of the Enological Society of the Pacific Northwest

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2002 Y.E.S Christmas Party

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Final arrangements have been made for our Society's 2002 Christmas Gala on Wednesday, December 18th. All 150 reserved spots have already been filled at a record pace this year.

For those of you lucky enough to have gotten your registration submitted in time, the evening promises to be one not to be forgotten.

Doors open at 6:30 P.M., with dinner at 7:30 P.M. and dancing till 11:00 P.M. at the Yakima Country Club in Terrace Heights.

Prepare to be wined and dined by the friendly and attentive club staff as they serve up holiday favorites for you and your fellow wine enthusiasts.

Ken Leader will lay out the swing tunes guaranteeing a busy dance floor. So bring out your best holiday attire and party spirit for a great night of entertainment, at the Society's premier event of the year.

If you wish to be placed on a waiting list for the YES Christmas Party, please call Marie Clark at 697-3364

Ray Dilschneider

Merry Christmas!



November Tasting in Review

Our thanks to **David** and **Linda Lowe** of **Wineglass Cellars** and **Danielle Russo** of **Cafe Dell Rae** for making the November Tasting one to remember.

In addition to sharing some very frank opinions about wine and the Yakima Valley wine industry, David wowed the sell-out crowd with his stand-up comedy routine. Had we known, we would have added an entertainment charge.

And how about the gourmet fare exquisitely prepared and expeditiously served by the staff of Cafe Dell Rae? It perfectly complemented David's wines and provided an indication of what Danielle can do at her own restaurant.

The Tasting Committee very much appreciates her efforts and urges you

to support Cafe Dell Rae--we need to help these quality Yakima restaurants stay in business.



Mike Libbee

The February tasting will be held on the 12th at the YWCA. The theme will be "Washington vs the Rhone." We will look forward to seeing you there!

George Petzinger

We're on the web!
www.yakimawine.org

President's Corner

Once again the Holidays have come upon us too fast. I hope your Thanksgiving was filled with family, friends, love and laughter, not to mention great wines.

Our November tasting was an absolute delight. **Mike Libbee** and company wined and dined us to our hearts content. **David Lowe** was witty and his wines were outstanding. Thanks to Mike Libbee for a fabulous evening.

A very big **THANK-YOU** goes to **Karen** and **Leo Lee** of **Sousley Sound** for setting up a terrific sound system for the evening. They are valued members of our society and I appreciate their generosity and support. **THANK YOU!**

Ray Dilschneider has planned a beautiful evening for our Christmas party. I am looking forward to seeing many of you there. And please mark your calendar for our January tasting. **Marie Clark** has a lovely evening of terrific appetizers and great mystery wines for our discerning palates to decipher. This past year has been a great journey, exploring the wines of our valley.

We have been blessed with a region full of bounty and talented wine makers to help bring that bounty to our tables. Thanks to all of those people who shared their wines and their lives with us this past year. They have helped make the Yakima Enological Society a terrific organization.

I would like to welcome the following newest members to our group. **Charity Kimmet, Darrel & Marilyn Smoot, Jim & Wendy Leinan, Nina Learn, Ann & Bruce Willis, Mark & Carol Masterson, Mike Wilson, Terry & Beverly Worthylake** and **John & Christine Dickman**. I welcome you all to our group of friends and I look forward to getting to know you. And finally, I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Cheerful and prosperous New Year. Thank you for a fabulous 2002!



Gina Milliron

January Tasting - Blind Leading the Blind

As the Christmas party approaches the new year is almost upon us. This means "The Blind Leading The Blind" tasting is just around the corner.

Are you ready to test your sensory skills by identifying the wine varietals that will be presented?

The annual "Blind" tasting will be on January 8th at the Yakima Valley Museum.

If you would like to help with set up and/or appetizers, contact **Marie Clark** at 697-3364.

Marie Clark



Important! Registration Process Change

In an effort to make the registration process more efficient, beginning with our January meeting, the main doors to the dining room will remain closed until 6:30 sharp.

The registration desk will open at 6:30 P.M. to pass out name tags. We will begin serving the greeting wine at 6:40 P.M.. If you happen to find yourself arriving prior to 6:30 P.M., in anticipation of a great evening, we would kindly ask you to remain in the Museum's beautiful new gallery until 6:30 P.M.

Thank you for your cooperation and happy tasting!

Gina Milliron

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Northwest Wine Events

Vintage Christmas, Dec. 6-7, Yakima, Wash. The Providence Health Foundation's Festival of Trees is a wine-themed event that will celebrate the wines of Washington. The Senior Social and Public Tree Viewing are Dec. 6, and the Gala Dinner and Auction is Dec. 7. Dinner tickets are \$75. Call 509-575-5283.

Walla Walla Valley Holiday Barrel Tasting Weekend, Dec. 7-8. Walla Walla Valley wineries welcome visitors.

St. Nicolas Day Open House, Dec. 8, DeLille Cellars, Woodinville, Wash. This top Washington producer holds its seventh annual St. Nicholas Day Open House from noon to 3 p.m. For more information, call 425-489-0544.

Holiday Wine and Cheese Night, Dec. 16, Chateau Ste. Michelle, Woodinville, Wash. Celebrate the festive season at our Holiday Wine & Cheese.

Taste premium wines paired with a cheese chosen to complement each variety. Cost: \$15. 14111 NE 145th, Woodinville, WA. Call 800-267-6793.

Sip Sail Away, Jan. 11-18, Mexican Riviera. Four Columbia Valley wineries join together for a unique wine-makers cruise to Mexico. Barnard Griffin, Gordon Brothers, Preston Premium Wines and Terra Blanca Vintners will conduct their first-ever "Sip Sail Away." For information or reservations, call 509-783-4645.

Something's A-Foote!, Jan. 17-20, E.B. Foote Winery, Burien, Wash. Breeders Theater will perform an original comedy. Tickets are \$20. 127-B S.W. 153rd St. Call 206-242-3852.

Visit www.winepressnw.com for more wine events!

Rosauers Wine Tastings

YES member **Kim DeVine**, the extremely knowledgeable wine steward at Rosauers on 72nd Avenue, is hosting wine tastings in the deli section of the store on Friday evenings 7-9 PM.

Next scheduled events are a champagne tasting on Dec 6th and a port tasting on the 13th.

I attended two of the November tastings--lots of fun, good hors d'oeuvres, and interesting wines, well worth the small fee. Reservations recommended.

Call Kim at 972-2327.

Mike Libbee



Festival of Trees

The Festival of Trees Gala Dinner and Auction is Saturday, Dec 7th, beginning with wine-tasting at 5:30 PM.

As wine chairperson for the event, I can practically guarantee that this will be THE wine event of the holiday season.

Washington Wine Legend Dr. Walter Clore will be on hand, as will a number of other Yakima Valley winemakers.

The Yakima Enological Society is not officially sponsoring a table, however, we have arranged for YES members to enjoy the evening together at the same table if you wish. Contact me (829-6810) or **Emily Medeiros** (454-6547). Tickets are \$75 and proceeds benefit **Providence Hospital's Cardiac Care Facility**.



Mike Libbee

Home Wine Makers

We will be meeting in January to discuss any new business, exchange information on how this year's vintage is doing, and discuss plans for a regional amateur winemaking judging.

We will meet (tentatively) on the **11th of January** (Saturday) at 1:30 P.M. Please call 698-5040 for confirmation/information. The location will probably be at **Essencia Bakery** next to Ron's Coin and Book downtown.

George Petzinger

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Dec 18	Y.E.S Christmas Party Yakima Country Club
Jan 8	Blind Leading the Blind YV Museum
Feb 12	Washington vs the Rhone YWCA



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