



2010 Club Membership – Join or Renew Now!

Good news! The 2010 SHW memberships will remain at \$42, the same level as in 2009. Your membership helps the Club with on-going and event expenses including room rental for monthly meetings at the Turn Verein, meeting hospitality, insurance, materials, website domain, and the other necessities to keep the Club running smoothly.

Members who renew or join by March 1, 2010 will receive a year's subscription (or have an existing subscription extended) to Winemakers Magazine (6 issues).

Memberships run calendar year so please use the 2010 Membership form in this newsletter to renew your dues. For more information on memberships, please contact Gin Yang at ginyangstaehlin@yahoo.com or (916) 217 0294.



December 2009 President's Message

What one year brings, another year brings again! It is my pleasure and honor to accept the lead once again in 2010 as SHW's President for a second year. A big thank you to everyone who supported me last year. Because of your positive energy and ideas, we were able to have a fantastic year learning more about winemaking and sharing that knowledge with others to promote the science and pleasure of winemaking. The hobby is limitless as are the friendships and great experiences we produce. A huge thank you is in order as another year closes. Thanks goes to our educators and evaluators who generously gave their time to added to our expertise throughout the year. We depend on their passion for wine and their desire to share that passion with us. I am looking forward to working with the rest of

the Executive Board and membership in 2010 to bring new programs and activities that intrigue experienced members and encourage beginners to make many great hand crafted bottles of wine to come.

Be sure and buy your tickets now before the catering deadline for the Holiday Party on December 16. We are planning an exceptionally entertaining evening of great food, prizes, awards, and socializing to celebrate the end of the year and share the holidays together.

To everyone, have a simply magnificent holiday!

Lynn Keay
2009/2010 SHW President



Executive Board Meeting: January 6, 2010

The January board meeting will be at Judy Pinegar's home. Bring snacks & wine to share, beginning at 6:00 PM. The meeting starts promptly at 6:45PM. All club members are welcome to attend. Contact Judy if you need directions.

Mentors and Website Forum

New to winemaking or have a winemaking or vineyard management question? Contact one of the mentors below or post on the forum section of the Club's website at www.sachomewine.org.



MENTOR	CONTACT INFO	GEOGRAPHICS	MENTOR SPECIALTY
John Benbow	530 888-9130 benbow@wavecable.com	Auburn	Red, white, & sparkling wines
Judy Pinegar	916 652-5198 jpinegar@cde.ca.gov	Loomis	White, red, & fruit wines
Carl & Lili Brust	916 652-9001 lcbrust@garlic.com	Loomis	White and sparkling wines
Mike Touchette	530 748-9677 pinotsyrah@yahoo.com	El Dorado	Red and white wines
Gerald Cresci	209 748-2122	Herald	Vineyard management; fruit wines & port
Paul & Nancy Baldwin	916 684-2086 pbaldwin@frontiernet.net	Elk Grove	Red & white wines; vineyard management
John Troiano	916 487-1480 fatcatjt@sbcglobal.net	Carmichael	Red wines
Jim Margolis	916 451-4279 jamadapa@att.net	Sacramento	Red and white wines
Dave Leonard	916 452-1616 djleonardpbp@gmail.com	Sacramento	Red wines
Donna Bettencourt	916 454-5487 bettencourt1045@softcom.net	Sacramento	Red & white wines
Henry Wilkinson	916 446-6276 hbwilkinson@jps.net	Sacramento	Red wines
D. D. Smith	916 638-8849 ddanjo@sbcglobal.net	Gold River	Red, white, port & ice wines
Lynn Keay	lynn.keay@gmail.com	Gold River	Red, white and fruit wines

Interested in becoming a mentor or would like to be partnered with a mentor? Email or call Judy Pinegar at jpinegar@cde.ca.gov or (916) 652-5198.

Sacramento Home Winemakers - Program Calendar

Date	Meeting Topic/Event	Speaker/Panel/Committee
December 16	Holiday Party	Coordinator: Debra Moretton
January 6	Board Meeting	Judy Pinegar's Home
January 20	Gerald Cresci: Oak additives - tasting/blending	Coordinator: DD Smith

Reminder: Participants at monthly Club Meetings should bring their own wine glasses to use for wine tasting. Club wine glasses are provided for guests.

SHW 2009 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

President	Lynn Keay	(916) 801-1539	lynn.keay@gmail.com
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Past President (05)	Ken Hough	(916) 456-7911	kennethahough@gmail.com
Past Pres (04) & Historian	Gary Young	(916) 451-3893	gycats@earthlink.net

Club Meeting Protocol

Many thanks to members who help setup and break down the physical arrangements at Club's monthly meetings. Your help with the tables, chairs, water pitchers, spit buckets, paper towels, and hospitality, in addition to sharing your wines and welcoming new members and visitors is very much appreciated.

Cleaning up your space before you leave the meeting, disposing of your empty wine bottles, and depositing the club wine glasses back in the box stem down helps facilitate the clean up. The club's wine glasses are available for guests (and yes, every month a couple of volunteers carry the boxes of glasses downstairs to their cars, takes them out of the cars, puts them in the dishwasher, reloads the cleaned glasses back into the box, loads the glasses into the car, and drags the clean glasses back to next month's meeting) so please remember always

Please bring your own wine glasses to Club Meetings

**2010 Sacramento Home Winemakers Membership Form
(2010 Annual dues are \$42 per household)**

Your Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email(s) _____

Winemaker Knowledge Level: _____ Novice _____ Experienced

_____ **Renew My membership \$42.** Current members, renew by March 1, 2010 and your Winemaker Magazine subscription will automatically extend for a year otherwise your subscription will expire in Spring 2010.

OR

_____ **New or Lapsed Memberships \$42.** Submit dues by March 1, 2010 to get your one year subscription to Winemaker Magazine or extend existing subscription.

_____ I do **not** currently subscribe to Winemaker magazine

_____ I currently subscribe to Winemaker magazine, and the subscription is under *(exact name)* _____ Expiration: _____

Preferred method of delivery for monthly SHW newsletter (email is default mode):

_____ email address above _____ hard copy to address above

Please make check payable to “Sacramento Home Winemakers” and mail to:

**Mike Touchette, SHW Treasurer
P. O. Box 894
Rancho Cordova, CA 95741**





To assist in the Club’s planning efforts, please let us know of your interests:

INTEREST	COORDINATE	VOLUNTEER	2011 POSITIONS	
Regional Winery Tours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	President	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jubilee (Club Wine Competition)			Vice-President	<input type="checkbox"/>
Judging	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cellar Help	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>
Food	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Membership Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Winery Tour			Cellar Master	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Winery Destination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chef	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grapevine Editor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Logistics/Clean-Up	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Chief Judge	<input type="checkbox"/>

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INTEREST	COORDINATE	VOLUNTEER	2011 POSITIONS
Holiday Party			Jubilee Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/>
Logistics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hospitality Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/>
Secure Donations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Equipment Monitor <input type="checkbox"/>
Donate Item - Raffle or Silent Auction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mentor Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/>
Winemaking 101			Other (please specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Offer Venue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Teach Segment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Club Project	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Monthly Hospitality (bring reimburseable snack)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Club Equipment Monitor / Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Winemaking Mentor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Neighbors – Home Winemaking Clubs

	El Dorado Home Winemakers Club (EDHW) is an organization of amateur winemakers who enjoy the making and drinking of wine. The Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Sequoias Restaurant in Placerville. For club information, see their website at http://www.edhwm.com .	
	The Placer County Wine and Grape Association (PCWGA) is a non-profit organization committed to informing and educating the public about Placer County wines, wineries, grape growers and grapes. PCWGA meets on the second Wednesday six times a year: February, April, June, August, October and December. For more info, check out their website http://www.placerwineandgrape.org .	
	The purpose of the Amador Winemakers Association (AWA) is to organize, conduct, and/or attend discussions, lectures, field trips, experiments, and demonstrations regarding all aspects of grape growing and wine making. The AWA meets monthly on the third Thursday. Additional information can be found at http://www.amadorwinemakers.org .	
	Lodi Amateur Vintners Association (LAVA) was founded in January 2001 for the purpose of promoting amateur wine making in the Lodi, California area. The Club generally meets the third Thursday of every month at the Lodi Wine and Visitor Center. Their website is http://www.lodiamateurvintners.org .	

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Happy Holidays!