

#### **June Preview**

The June 8th, 2022, YES Summer Event is Two Cool Chefs, One Hot Night, and will feature a return to the beautiful home of Vi Budden and Jack Topper. Their home is high on the Terrace Heights slopes, with a tremendous view of the city of Yakima and beyond. Parking is limited, so please carpool if possible.

Big John Caudill will be sharing his favorite Sheridan Wines and stories, as he and Derrin Davis of WaterFire Restaurant prepare a series of paired foods to enhance the enjoyment of the fine wines. It is anticipated this will be a repeat of the extremely successful event of several years ago, pre-Covid

Registration will begin at 5:00 p.m., and the formal presentation will extend from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. This high entertainment event will cost \$65 per YES member, \$75 per YES guest, and \$55/\$65 per non-drinking member/guest. Please register before May 30th, as Derrin needs to order/acquire his fine foods from a finicky supply chain. Enjoy!

Your Hostess and Host are Dorene Boyle and Roy Lewis (retired).

\*Please make check payable to Y.E.S.\*

#### **Event Details**

**DATE: WED, JUNE 8TH** 

TIME: REGISTRATION | 5:00PM PRESENTATION | 5:30PM

LOCATION: VI BUDDEN & JACK TOPPER ESTATE

COST: \$65 PER YES MEMBER \$75 PER YES GUEST & \$55/\$65 PER NON DRINKING MEMBER/GUEST

**BRING: WINE GLASS** 

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MAY 30TH

PAYMENT METHODS: BY CHECK PAYABLE TO Y.E.S.

PAYMENTS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT STEMS TUES-FRI. 10-4, SAT 10-3

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (509)452-8800

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# **Platinum Recap**

It was so special to finally be able to go back to the Yakima Country Club for our annual scholarship fundraiser and together enjoy great wines, fine food and fantastic company. The country club did a great job considering that like most restaurants, they are having a difficult time hiring trained staff. The wines for the evening were very well paired with the six food courses. During the live auction portion of our event, we auctioned off ten case lots of Platinum wines, seats for the 2022 Platinum judging, a special dinner donated by Dan and Mollie at Crafted, and special private tastings from VanArnam Vineyards and Coyote Canyon Winery. At the silent auction, we had beautiful baskets, gift sets, and wine lots put together by Beverly Warren.

This auction is the source of the scholarship funds we donate. To date our event has allowed us to donate over \$125,000 in scholarships to the wine programs at Yakima Valley College, Washington State University, Walla Walla Community College, Umpqua Community College in Oregon and the Okanagan College in B.C. Canada.

The reputation of our dinner is growing within the wine industry as an event not to be missed. This year we had representatives from wineries in Idaho, Oregon, Canada and Washington, and we would like to give a very special thanks to all the wineries for their donation of great award winning wines and special tastings. We could not do it without their ongoing support. If you were unable to attend Platinum XX, we hope to see you next year.

-- Chuck Johnson



## **President's Corner**

The final numbers for Platinum XX are not in yet, but it appears from the preliminary numbers that this event raised a record amount for the Yakima Enological Society's scholarship fund. I personally want to thank everyone who attended and opened up their wallets for this event. I also want to thank the Platinum committee for all the time and dedication given to support this event. But especially I need to thank the wineries that provided the great wines for the reception and the dinner. Without them and the support of "Great Northwest Wines Magazine" there would not be an event or a scholarship program.

With May behind us, we have several upcoming events that you should not miss. In June, we will be at the home of Jack & Vi Topper for "Two Cool Chefs and One Hot Night" featuring Big John Caudill and Darren Davis from Waterfire. The attendance for this will be limited, so make sure you get your reservations in early as it will be a sellout. In August we will be featuring the wines of South Africa and a wine representative speaking about the unique viticulture of South Africa. In September we will be doing a bus trip and again the numbers are limited. A deposit/reservation form the bus trip will be in next month's newsletter. Reserve your seat on the bus with a small deposit.

We have several new members and I want to welcome them to our organization. Please consider getting more involved in our planning process and maybe even serving on our board of directors. New members will bring some new fresh ideas to our organization.

-- Chuck Johnson

# **July Teaser**

Wednesday, July 13, 2022 Cascade Cliffs Winery Yakima Valley Conference Center



Please join us for a night with Cascade Cliffs Winery, recently awarded best of the best for their Syrah. Come learn about their wines and enjoy food pairings from Nana Kate's.

### **Plan Ahead**

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

June 8th, 2022 Two Cool Chefs, One Hot Night Jack & Vi Toppers Estate

July 13th, 2022 Cascade Cliffs Winery Yakima Valley College August 10, 2022 Wines of South Africa Hilton Garden Plaza

September 25th, 2022 Bus Trip & Lunch at the Columbia Gorge Hotel Hood River Wineries



Two Cool Chefs, One Hot Night

June 8, 2022

Registration 5:00pm

Jack & Vi Topper 200 Karin Drive Yakima WA 98901

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Postmarked by 5/30/22
OR dropped off at Stems
Tue - Fri. 10-4 or Sat. 10-3.
\*Can use credit card at Stems\*

Name:		
Name:		
Phone:	Number of Members	<b>@\$65 = \$</b>
Email:	Number of Guests	<b>@\$75 = \$</b>
	Total Encl	osed: \$
Please note any dietary restrictions: Please note if you are bringing a guest who does not drink alcohol _		
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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