THE Y.E.S

A PLATINUM NIGHT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!

OCTOBER 2025

We're pulling out ALL the stops for this one, YES friends! Join us for a one-of-a-kind tasting featuring TEN award-winning wines—we're talking serious accolades here:

✨ **5 Double Platinum winners**
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🥂 **Including 4 whites, 4 reds, and 2 delightful rosés!**

2021 Thurston Wolfe JTW's Blend | 2020 Hightower Syrah | 2019 Cellardoor Cab Franc
2021 Thurston Wolfe Petit Sirah | 2023 Bayernmoor Rosé | 2023 Vino la Monarcha Sparkling Rosé
2023 Gehringer Desert Sun | 2023 King Estate Pinot Gris
2023 Wild Goose Pinot Blanc | 2023 Sigillo Roussanne
And yes, there will be light appetizers to pair with these platinum sips!

You'll receive 3 raffle tickets at check-in. After tasting, drop your tickets into the jars of your favorite wine lots for a chance to WIN a 3-bottle set to take home! You can go all in on one wine or spread the love across three.

Spots are limited, so reserve your seat today at yakimawine.org. We can't wait to raise a glass with you!

Event Details

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

LOCATION: SELAH CIVIC CENTER

TIME: DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM

COST: $45 PER PERSON

BRING: 1–2 WINE GLASSES FOR THE TASTING

REGISTRATION:

- **MAIL-IN: POSTMARKED BY OCT 3RD**
- **ONLINE: REGISTER AT YAKIMAWINE.ORG BY OCT 6TH**
- **IN-PERSON: DROP OFF PAYMENT AT STEMS BY OCT 6TH**

CALL OR TEXT: WITH Q'S TO MARIE AT 509.961.5563

September Event Recap

Saturday's cruise on the Columbia River was as forecasted. The September weather was great. The yacht "West Star" was roomy, and the staff and crew did a great job working to keep us happy, wined and dined. The wines and Sparkling Rose from Palencia Winery were a hit. Victor Palencia offered a special tasting from his library at the end of our meal that was a great 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon from Red Mountain. Everyone praised it and we want to send a special Thank You to Victor for this treat. After lunch many of us gathered on the second decks lounge and bar for after meal cocktails. We also enjoyed cruising with the group "Women Who Wine". They contributed to the days vibes and allowed us to renew our friendship from the last bus trip to Canada.

If you have not tried a cruise with "Water2Wine". You should give it a try. In addition to Private cruises such as our YES trip, they also offer numerous public cruises, including Weekend Brunch. Sunset Dinner Cruises, Sightseeing Cruises and special interest cruises such as "Snake River Locks" and "Wallowa Gap History" If any of these sound interesting, check out their website "water2winecruises" for more information. Dana the manager went out of his way to make our day on the Columbia a special day. Sorry you missed it.

-- Chuck Johnson

New Board Members Needed

The Yakima Enological Society is going to be in a bind come 2026. We currently have 11 board members, but four of them have announced that they will be stepping down in January 2026, which leaves YES with only seven members on the board. Our bylaws (as follows) state that we need a minimum of nine board members in order to conduct business.

<u>ARTICLE V – Board of Directors</u>
Section 1.
The Board of Directors shall consist of not less than nine nor more than fifteen members who shall be members of the Society, such Directors to be elected by the membership at any regular or special meeting, and/or by the Board. The officers designated in these by-laws shall be elected by the Board and shall include the immediate past President.

We desperately need people to step up and agree to serve on the board for 2026-27. If we do not fill these positions YES will no longer be able to function and our 50 years of success will only be a memory. If you have been enjoying the variety of monthly tastings the YES Board has put on for years, now might be the time to finally step up and take some ownership of your club. A board term is a commitment of only two years. Please consider serving. Please contact any of the current board members if you would consider serving and they can supply you with more information.

--The YES Board

November Tasting

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE: November 12, 2025. Y.E.S. is planning a special tasting. We will be featuring 4 -5 wineries that are Veteran owned in honor of our Veterans. This will be a limited seating event, so the sooner you can get your registrations in the better. We thank you in advance for your cooperation on being prompt to sign up as the deadline will be sooner than normal. Please watch for more details in our November Newsletter. President Sue Attebery and board members Kate Platt and Jimi Weaver.

Save the Date: A Festive Evening Awaits

Yakima Enological Society Christmas Party!

- **Wednesday, December 10, 2025**
- **Venue details coming soon!**

The most magical time of the year is just around the corner, and so is our annual YES Christmas Party! Make sure to mark your calendars now for an evening filled with great wine, delicious food, and holiday cheer as we come together to celebrate the season with our amazing YES members and friends. Expect festive decor, a warm and welcoming atmosphere, and a few fun surprises to toast to another wonderful year of wine education and camaraderie.

Stay tuned for more details and ticket information in the coming weeks—this is a holiday event you won't want to miss!

🍷 **With holiday spirit,**

--The YES Board

President's Corner

In October, there are a lot of fun catch the crush events at a lot of the local wineries. We need to get out and support our local wineries.
Next year is the 50th anniversary of YES and we're working on a special event to celebrate our anniversary.

We need new membership. Encourage your friends that enjoy wine to join YES and enjoy the fun!

Remember, you don't have to be a board member to plan an event if you have great ideas for a wine event just let a board member know and you can help plan it.

Hope to see everyone at our upcoming events the platinum wines in October our special celebration of veteran owned wineries in November and our Christmas party in December.

Thank you for your support of the YES events!

--Sue Attebery

Talkin' Grapes with Gar'

Rather than trying to talk politics (dangerous in the times we find ourselves) or how about the weather (boring!!!), I like to challenge my guests when we get together for a grub and wine fest to a game of, 'What's the most important innovation in the history of winemaking'?

This inevitably leads to some great conversation, so to start the thinking process, here's a few to pop the cork with:

1.) Grafting of Vitis vinifera to American grape rootstock to prevent Phylloxera from killing the vine.

2.) Utilizing cork to protect the wine, allowing it to age longer in the bottle, and making transportation easier (although you could argue about cork taint and using metal vacuum seals is a better choice than cork).

3.) Recognizing that you could take sweet grape juice and allow it to stand for a period of time to ferment into something magical called wine.

4.) Better sanitation and control over the fermentation process to stabilize the wine so you don't end up with vinegar (unless that's your goal from the get go).

5.) Designing a bottle with a punt in the bottom to withstand the PSI produced during secondary fermentation (Methode de Champenoise) without blowing up the bottle.

6.) Aging the juice in oak barrels to impart different flavonoids into it while allowing for the wine to 'breathe' which enhances the oxidation process, mellowing the final product.

Try this at your next dinner party to see where it takes you, you'll like it, eh?

--Gary Cox

A Platinum Night You Don't Want to Miss!

Wednesday, October 8th 2025

Doors Open: 6:30pm

Selah Civic Center

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Postmarked by October 3rd
PAY BY: CHECK, ONLINE, or IN-PERSON AT STEMS

Number of Guests _____ @ $45 = $_____

Name:_____
Name:_____
Phone:_____
Email:_____

Total Enclosed: $_____

Please note any dietary restrictions:

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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

YOU CAN NOW PAY ONLINE W/ CREDIT CARD

PLEASE VISIT YAKIMAWINE.ORG AND CLICK "EVENTS & NEWSLETTER" TAB

CLICK THE HIGHLIGHTED LINK ASSOCIATED W/ THE EVENT

PAY ATTENTION TO THE PURCHASE OPTIONS
(i.e. member, non-member, non-drinking member, non-drinking non-member)

FOLLOW PROMPTS TO PURCHASE

EMAIL CHEYENNE@NEEDHAMMEDIAANDMARKETING.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ONLINE PURCHASING PROCESS

YES Membership Enrollment Form

Member Information: $25.00 per Individual (Same Address)

Date

First Name	Last Name	Home Phone	Cell Phone	E-Mail Address
First Name	Last Name	Home Phone	Cell Phone	E-Mail Address
First Name	Last Name	Home Phone	Cell Phone	E-Mail Address

Address	City	State	Zip

Please make Checks Payable to: Yakima Enological Society

Bring Your Completed Membership Form, and Annual Dues, to the Annual Meeting.

You may also pay your dues on line using your credit card by going to yakimawine.org

Or, Mail your Form and Dues to: **Yakima Enological Society - PO Box 2395 - Yakima, WA - 98907**

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Total Amount enclosed