



# The Y.E.S



## Alberino & Tapas

February 2023 | YVC Conference Center

Our first tasting for 2023 take place on Wednesday, February 8th and will focus on a white wine, fairly new to the U.S., Alberino. This wine had its origin in the Iberian area of Europe. The tasting will be led by Eric Degerman, President, and CEO of Great Northwest Wines, the magazine that is the sponsor of the Platinum judging. Eric is also a leading authority on the wines of the Pacific Northwest. He will lead a presentation on the origin and history of this wine varietal. We will be pouring Alberino wines from six different wineries including ones from Idaho, Oregon, and The Yakima Valley. We will also have guests from some of the selected wineries to discuss their wines in more depth. Accompanying the wines, we will be treated to Spanish style Tapas plates. As an added plus to the event, "Great Northwest Wines", will be offering to all those in attendance, a subscription to their magazine at 50% off regular subscription rates.

The event will start at 6:30 with registration and a greeting wine. The presentation will start at 7:00 and will be held at the Yakima Valley College's Convention Center on 16th and Nob Hill. The cost is \$50 per person for members and \$60 for non-members. Reservations can be made on our website or at Stems Wine Shop. The deadline for reservations is Monday, February 6th. Please bring one wine glass with you to the tasting.

I think Alberino wines are some of the best whites currently produced in the Pacific Northwest. Hopefully you will agree. This will be a wine event not to be missed.

### Event Details

DATE: WED, FEB 8

TIME: REGISTRATION | 6:30PM

LOCATION: YVC CONFERENCE CENTER

COST: \$50 PER MEMBER AND \$60 PER GUEST

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, FEB 6TH

PAYMENT METHODS:

- ONLINE | YAKIMAWINE.ORG
- CHECK PAYABLE TO Y.E.S.

**PAYMENTS CANNOT BE DROPPED OFF AT STEMS**  
**\*STEMS IS CLOSED 1/30-2/4\***

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CALL (509)452-8800

ANY OTHER Q'S CALL:  
MARIE CLARK AT  
(509)697-3364

# President's Corner

We had a great kickoff to 2023 at our annual business meeting on January 11th. After the board was voted in, the board met and elected their officers for 2023. They will be as follows:

**Treasurer | Pam Larin, Secretary | Dorene Boyle, 2nd Vice President | Brad Baldwin, 1st Vice President | Marie Clark and I, Charles Johnson, agreed to stay on as President.** The members present at the January meeting also elected four new directors to the board: **Gary Cox, Chris Ketcham, Kristine Miller, and Cindy Smith.** We now have 12 members on the board to guide and serve the Society.

To start of the year on a light note, I would like to say a few words about wine related movies. I am sure most of you have seen the movie "Sideways" and enjoyed Miles's love of Pinot Noirs and dislike for Merlot. That is probably one of my top Six wine related movies, however there are some that you may have missed, that I really enjoyed. I think you can find most of them on your streaming service or Google them and see what comes up. Now, kick back, pour yourself a nice glass of wine and enjoy. My top Five favorites wine movies are: 1- "Bottle Shock", 2- "A Good Year", 3-"A Walk in the clouds", 4-"Uncorked" 5-"Sideways", and 6-"Somm III"

Hope you enjoy them, and I look forward to great YES events/tastings in the New Year.

-- Chuck Johnson



# January Annual Meeting Recap

If you missed our January Annual Business meeting, you missed a good one. We had 41 at our annual meeting to review the 2022 YES year and elect new board members. We had many great events this past year. The most well attended were an educational event at Yakima Chief Hops, where we learned about smoke taint on grapes and hops; Sheridan wines paired with mouthwatering foods prepared by Darrin Davis of Waterfire Restaurant; and the Annual Christmas party, this year at the Hilton Garden Inn.

Two of our board members retired, Pam Friedt and Terese Abreu, we thanked them for everything they have done for the Society. One of our favorite parts of this meeting each year is to have the chance to meet some of the students who are recipients of the scholarships we provide to support the education of viticulture, wine, and enology. We heard from students from Walla Walla Community College, Washington State University, and Yakima Valley College. The five of them each told us of their unique interests in the industry.

We also heard from Cheyenne Needham, of Needham Media and Marketing, who manages our website and helps to get our name out into the community. She reported that we reached 7,901 people on Facebook! We had 538 unique visitors to our website and there are 171 subscribers to the YES newsletter. We are now able to accept payments for events on the website and to process credit cards at the Platinum event this year.

Also, the food and wines served were as usual very enjoyable.

-- Pam Larin

## Upcoming Events

### **Blind Leading the Blind | Wed, March 8th**

We will be at the YVC Conference Center. Test your senses against known aromas and then sample 9 wines, hopefully from Australia, with Australian foods.

### **Platinum XXI | Sat, May 6th | Yakima Country Club**

More than half of the wines for Platinum XXI have been procured and plans are being finalized. Start talking to your friends and putting your table together. A registration form will be in next month's newsletter so you can sign up early. Last year we were within four seats of selling out and this year we hope we can fill all the seats. So, get your reservations in early this year.

**Alberino & Tapas**

**Feb 8, 2023**

**Registration 6:30pm**

**YVC Conference Center**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE**  
**Postmarked by Feb 6, 2023**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Members** \_\_\_\_ @**\$50** = \$ \_\_\_\_

**Number of Guests** \_\_\_\_ @**\$60** = \$ \_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_

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**

**YOU CAN NOW PAY ONLINE W/ CREDIT CARD**

PLEASE VISIT [YAKIMAWINE.ORG](http://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)

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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](http://yakimawine.org)

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

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total Amount**

**enclosed**