

# The Y.E.S. Newsletter

A monthly publication for members of the Yakima Enological Society



## 2021 YES Annual Membership Meeting: Wednesday, January 13 via Zoom (on your home computer or cell phone)

Traditionally, our Annual Membership Meetings have been a warm potluck get-together of continuing and new members, and those considering becoming members. Everyone contributes a main or side dish and a bottle of wine. The potluck “competition” has resulted in great foods and spectacular wines.

But that will not be happening this year; sorry. Covid-19 has us all locked down, for our protection. So, we will be following the format used by our schools, colleges, universities and businesses in general: We will host a *virtual meeting* via Zoom. We can do it.

**To attend our Annual Membership Meeting, you will need to complete and return the attached Membership Form. We will need your current email address so that we can send the Annual Membership Meeting Agenda and Zoom link to you.**

During the Annual Membership Meeting, we will discuss the following topics:

1. What is the purpose of the Yakima Enological Society (YES)?
2. What events did we produce last year? (Dang Covid-19)
3. What events have we begun to plan for 2021?
4. We will present our annual economic report. (Thank you, Pam Larin!)
5. We will discuss membership sign-up / renewal and what that provides.
6. We will introduce the current YES Board Members, re-electing those board members whose two-year terms will expire.

7. We will also introduce potential new board members. We currently have 10 board members; our bylaws permit up to 15 board members.
8. It is important that all re-elected and new board members be voted in by the majority of the membership present at the Annual Membership Meeting.
9. We will talk about the Platinum Dinner and Auction (that we could not produce in 2020), and the scholarship benefits it yields.
10. And, we typically hear from the recipients of our annual scholarships. (That still might happen, via Zoom.)

The Annual Membership Meeting will end with an open mic for questions from those in attendance.

Everyone is going through difficult times and challenges with the ongoing pandemic, but we are resilient. We will find a way and, someday, we will be partying together as our fun-loving group always has.

—Roy Lewis, YES President



## Plan Ahead... Y.E.S. Calendar of Upcoming Events —Brad Baldwin

**February...**  
No event planned due to COVID-19

**March...**  
No event planned due to COVID-19

**April...**  
No event planned due to COVID-19

***President's Corner******January 2021***

As noted in the previous YES Newsletter, Yakima Enological Society members successfully purchased almost all the Platinum and Double Platinum wines that were donated to us this year. This permitted us to continue our annual donations to five regional colleges/universities that have schools in enology and viticulture.

Our contributions this year were less than previous years, but we made five colleges/universities incredibly happy.

This year's contributions went to:

- ★ Yakima Valley College - \$2,500
- ★ Washington State University - \$1,500
- ★ Walla Walla Community College - \$1,500
- ★ Okanagan College Foundation - \$1,500
- ★ Umpqua Community College - \$1,500

We have confirmed, via certified mail and/or direct contact, that all the colleges/universities have received their scholarships.



Thank you, once again, to the YES membership for your generosity!

—Roy Lewis, Y.E.S. President

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Email: [contact@yakimawine.org](mailto:contact@yakimawine.org)***Yakima Enological Society Board****President..... Roy Lewis**1st Vice President ..... Pam Friedt**2nd Vice President ..... Brad Baldwin**Treasurer..... Pam Larin**Secretary..... Dorene Boyle**Registration Chair..... Marie Clark**Board Members:..... Chuck Johnson**Jarvine Mabes**Sandy Saffell**Jimi Weaver*

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**We're on the Web...****[www.yakimawine.org](http://www.yakimawine.org)*****Platinum 2021***

The Platinum committee met earlier this month and we have reserved the Yakima Country Club for our Platinum XIX for August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021. We are optimistic that Covid-19 will be under control by then, but the date may have to change if we have a third phase to this pandemic. We have the Platinum judging results and the Platinum winners and have begun work on procuring the wines for the Winemakers Reception and the dinner. We will keep you updated in the coming months.

The committee would again like to thank you for all your support during this very unusual year. Happy Holidays, and remember to support all our local wineries during the upcoming months.

—Platinum Committee

**Your YES  
Board  
Wishes  
You a  
Merry  
Christmas  
and Happy  
New Year!**



## 2021 YES Membership Enrollment Form

### Couple Information: \$40.00 per Couple (Same Address)

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