



President's Message

Our **August General meeting** was high spirited fun, "**Pooch**" **Pucilowski** answered everything we wanted to know about wine but were afraid to ask. And yes, you can put ice in your wine. Thanks Dave Brockman for coordinating this great meeting. (P.S. Sur La Table at the Fountains in Roseville sells these great silicone ice cube trays that do a fabulous job of freezing wine in square cubes.)

GOLF TOURNAMENT NEWS!

Give Doug Geiger a big hand for coordinating a very successful and fun-filled 2nd Annual **PCWGA Gold Tournament**. 56 golfers attended this wonderful event at the Ridge. It was a beautiful California day, with temperatures in the mid 80's, and the tequila shots which surely improved everyone's game (Thanks Lisa Mann). We all enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch with awards ceremony and raffle prizes galore. We are grateful to the wineries that donated Placer county wines for this event; Lone Buffalo, Cristaldi, Secret Ravine and Michael Duarte. Doug says, give a special thanks to Zane Dobson, Lisa Mann and Cathy Mikles for their many hours of hard work.

Many thanks to **Art Mallo** for the many hours he put in creating a successful fundraiser for PCWGA at the Gold country Fair Booth. We sold 120 bottles from 12 wineries, Gross sales were \$4,040. *Thanks to the many volunteers who put in time promoting our wine.*

Our annual **Holiday Gala** is scheduled for **Friday, Dec. 4** at the Flower Farm Inn in Loomis. We have a fun-filled evening planned with dinner from Randy's Creative Catering, Dancing to Dudley and the Do-rights, and delicious Placer County Wines. Bring your friends, non-members are welcome.

What is your vision for the PCWGA?

Join the board of directors and create the organization you would like to see flourish!

We are looking for dedicated and creative wine lovers. If you are a commercial winemaker, home winemaker, grower and/or wine lover, consider becoming a member of our board of directors. Get involved, help educate, help promote our beautiful county and **HAVE FUN!**

Cathy Mikles

PCWGA General Meeting~ Sensory Evaluation

Wed. October 28, 2009

7:00 pm Social, 7:30 pm Meeting

Flower Farm 4390 Auburn Folsom Rd, Loomis

Flower Farm is located at the corner of Horseshoe Bar Rd. and Auburn Folsom Rd.

As always if you wish to bring some of your wine, please do so.

Guest speaker is **Ann C. Noble** is a sensory chemist and retired professor from the University of California, Davis. During her time at the UC Davis Department of Viticulture and Enology, Noble invented the "Aroma Wheel" which is credited with enhancing the public understanding of wine tasting and terminology. At the time of her hiring at UC-Davis in 1974, Noble was the first woman hired as a faculty member of the Viticulture department. Noble retired from Davis in 2002 and in 2003 was named Emeritus Professor of Enology. Since retirement she has participated as a judge in the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition.

Don't miss out on these fabulous Placer County events:

Saturday, October 10, 2009

Auburn Wine and Food Festival

1-5pm Pouring

1-6pm Wine Sales

Wineries and restaurants from in and around Placer County pair up to showcase their finest vino and edibles at the annual Wine And Food Festival, held in Downtown and Old Town Auburn.

For more information, please call 530-885-9644

or email info@auburnwineandfood.com

www.auburnwineandfood.com

Saturday, October 17, 2009

2nd Annual Placer Valley Wine & Art Party

6-11pm at the Fountains in Roseville

Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door

This event will feature three major regional bands, outstanding artists from Placer Arts, and wine tasting from 14 premium Placer County wineries. www.placertourism.com

November 13, 14 & 15, 2009

Art, Verse & Vines

Discover Hidden Treasures in the Sierra Foothills

Placer Hills Fall Winery Tour, Cowpoke Fall Gathering and Autumn Art Studios Tour

PCWGA Holiday Gala

Friday, December 4, 2009

6pm social / 7pm dinner

Flower Farm Country Inn, Loomis

Dinner, Dancing and Merriment!

Save the date for this popular holiday event.

Invite your friend to join us, the inn has lovely rooms and cottages if your want to make it a weekend escape. **RSVP by Nov. 30, 2009**

Special: Sign up at the October General Meeting and it's only \$25 per member

To sign up: Send your check made out to **PCWGA** to:
Cathy Mikles, 425 Olive Orchard Dr. Auburn, CA 95603
\$30 members / \$35 non-members

Questions: Call or email Cathy at (530) 392-3649

JOIN OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**We have several board positions open for next year.
This is your chance to create the organization you want.**

NEW 2009 Board of Directors

President – Cathy Mikles	530 392-3649
V. Pres. – Doug Geiger	916 652-6429
Treasurer – Zane Dobson	916 834-0565
Secretary – Renae Messamore	916 316-4227
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Ed/Programs – Dave Brockman	916 759-1291
Community Inv. – Lisa Mann	530 889-2824
Web Coordinator – Michael Duarte	916 652-8998
Scholarship Awards - George Smith	916 434-1937

Tentative Dates for Upcoming Meetings and Events

General Meetings:

- October 10 ~ Auburn Wine & Food Festival
- October 28 ~ Flower Farm
- December 4 (Holiday Gala & Annual Meeting)

CLASSIFIED ADS

FREE ADVERTISING

- Are you offering any classes or workshops ?
- Do you have any items for sale?
- Have you discovered something worth sharing?

Our newsletter is at your service!

If you would like to advertise any wine or grape related information, programs, classes or items for sale, email that information to Renae Messamore.



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