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# THE GRAPE VINE

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On **Saturday, April 9,**  
Betty and David Gibson  
Hosted the...

## **JUDGMENT OF SAN FRANCISCO!**

The highly regarded 45 year old  
Cellar Society of San Francisco  
held a comparative tasting  
of 4 Pinot Noir wines selected from  
California and Oregon  
versus 4 Burgundy wines.

The wines from vintages  
2011-2013 ranged in price from  
\$40 to \$90.

*The results of the tasting are shown on  
page 2, followed by a calendar of the  
remaining scheduled tastings/events of  
2016-17 and directions to the May  
tasting*

**AND ON SATURDAY, MAY 14,  
COME FOR....**

**White Varietals and Food Pairing  
at 6pm in Mill Valley  
at the home of  
Marjie & Steve Shank**

In the spirit of our mission  
statement that includes "the  
enjoyment of wine and food" we  
will be presenting 8 white wines in  
four (or more) varietals along with  
4 different types of seafood. You  
will be asked to identify the varietal  
and to rank the wines. Then you  
will choose which seafood you  
think is best paired with each wine.  
The varietals will be chardonnay,  
sauvignon blanc, viognier and  
some surprises. The seafoods will  
be ahi tuna, prawns, halibut and  
salmon.

Because of the food pairing, this  
tasting will take place during dinner  
and each pour will be 2 ounces  
(twice the normal amount). You are  
welcome to bring additional wine,  
but may find it unnecessary to  
open it. **And don't forget your  
tasting glasses!**

RSVP to Marjie at 415-389-6382 or  
[marjieshank@gmail.com](mailto:marjieshank@gmail.com) by April  
29th or before would be much  
appreciated. If you definitely  
cannot make it, please let us know  
ASAP.

\*\*\*Essential directions to the May  
tasting are on page 3.

**Results of the April 9, 2016 Burgundy Tastings**  
**Wines by number, Name, Vintage Price and Group Ranking**

<b>#</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Vintage</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>Group Rank</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Serene, Domaine Pinot Noir Evenstad Reserve</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$55</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Cattleya Pinot Noir, Donum Vineyard</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$59</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Grirot, Domaine Jean Chambolle, Musigny Combe d'Orveaux</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$67</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Ken Wright Cellars Pinot Noir, Shea Vineyard</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>\$44</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Mortet, Domaine Denis, Geurey-Chambertin Vielles Vignes</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$87</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Faiveley Pommard, 1er Cru Les Rugiens</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Drouhin, Domaine Willamette Valley, Pinot Noir Laurene</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>\$49</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Domaine Gros, Frere et Soeur, Vosne Romanee</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>\$59</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>5</b>

**The Cellar Society of San Francisco  
2016 Tastings**

2016-17 DATE	Location	Varietal	Hosts
Sat. May 14	Shank Residence Mill Valley	Whites for Fish	Marjie and Steve Shank
Sat. June 11	Gandara Residence Napa	Red Varietals Blind Tasting	Diane and David Gandara
Sat. July 23	Annual Picnic	Slora/Avila Residence Oakland	Eileen Slora Tito Avila Phyllis Harding
Sat., August 13	TBD, Donner Lake?	Italian Chardonnay	Vera and David Hartford
Sat. Sept 10	Coyne Residence San Rafael	California Sangiovese	Sue and John Henry Beyer Ed Coyne
Sat. October 8	TBD	Bordeaux 2010	Genie Simcox Todd Ryan
Sat. Nov. 12	Lodi /SF?	Lodi Reds	Bob and Sandi Simoni
FRIDAY December 9	Christmas Repast French Club	From the Cellar	Steve Smith and Susi Ehlert
Sat. January 14, 2017	2017 Planning	BYO for Drinking	DeAtley or Shank
Sat. Feb. 11, 2017	Tasting, TBD	TBD	Indra Obseykere Diane Kawaguchi Chris and Mignone

**Directions to the Shank home for the May 14 Tasting–**

From San Francisco take 101 north to the Hwy 1/Stinson Beach exit.  
From the Richmond Bridge, take the right exit marked Sir Francis  
Drake Blvd for 2 miles, then take the onramp onto Hwy 101 south for  
4.5 miles.

After exiting at Hwy 1/Stinson Beach go 0.6 mi to the stop light with an  
Arco station on the left corner. Turn left and continue on Hwy 1  
(direction of Stinson Beach). Go 0.2 miles and take the second right on  
Dolan Avenue. Go 0.35 miles and look for the very short path opposite  
379 Dolan, well-marked with lights, which leads to our driveway.

For easy and ample parking, please come up our side street Dolan  
rather than Lowell. If you request to come to Lowell, use Google Maps  
ONLY, or ask us to send you a map. We will assign you a parking  
space in our cul-de-sac.