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The Trellis Wire

Welcome to the Sierra Wine and Grape Growers Association

Here in our monthly newsletter, we keep our members up to date on SWGGA activity, and provide links to our [website](#), where you can read more.

Next Meeting

Subject: Fining and Filtering

Date and Time: March 16, 7 pm

Location: Ponderosa Hall, Fairgrounds

The March 2017 SWGGA meeting will feature a round table of members discussing the basics of Fining and Filtering Wine. Led by Jim Garrett, who's had some recent difficulties with hazy wine, the panel will describe the basics of why a wine needs to be fined, or filtered, and how the necessary equipment and fining agents are determined and used. We

promise to keep things light, in the hopes of not causing your eyes to roll back in your head. The chemistry will be described only minimally.

From the Editor

Hi, I'm Grace Zimmerman, your Webmaster and now editor of the newsletter. I will not be able to fill Dan Carrick's shoes (for one thing, they are literally big) but I will do my best to keep the newsletter going.

I will rely on you, my volunteer army of citizen journalists, to keep me supplied with ideas, links, articles, anything you want to send me. Contact me at sierragrapegrowers@gmail.com.

Thank you

Wine in the News

Those who follow Jancis Robinson might be interested in this recent SF Chronicle article:

"British wine critic Jancis Robinson donates her life's work to UC Davis" from San Francisco Chronicle:

[Link](#)



SWGGA shirts available at monthly meetings

Left: Ladies Denim shirt has no pocket and comes in short or long sleeve, a variety of sizes, 100% cotton and preshrunk. \$35.00 ea.

Right: Men's Denim shirt has a pocket, available in short or long sleeve, various sizes, 100% cotton and preshrunk. \$35.00 ea.

The Outreach Coordinator, Dave Blitstein, will have a few shirts on display and for sale at the monthly meetings. The current inventory is somewhat limited in sizes but he can get you what you need. Get in touch with Dave if you want to place an order or have questions: dbeffx@aol.com.

We now has a good stock of glasses and they are on display at our monthly meetings. They are handsome and very sturdy. \$3 each



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