

# King George Chapter Newsletter October



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The King George Wine Society returned to the American Legion for the October 11 presentation where Tom Burckell shared a terrific tasting with 27 members and 7 guests named 3 Regions - 3 Names - 1 Grape. Meats of grilled leg of lamb, venison pastrami and smoked wild turkey were paired with the wines; bread, cheese and spanish chickpea was also offered.

Tom reflected on his and Janet's time in Salamanca as mere teens, 47 years ago which impressed them regarding food and wine and decided to highlight the region they had lived in. The same grape, Tempranillo was spot lighted from Rioja where there is a lot of rain and not desert like, Ribera del Duero and Toro, both of which have significant temperature changes and high plateaus and high desert conditions. We received a quick Spanish vocabulary to enrich our appreciation. We learned that the grape is an early ripening one in small groups and in wine starts with strawberry turning to leather aromas. The coloring moves from medium ruby to medium garnet as it ages.

Tom spent time describing the history of the wine from Rioja, serving as the standard. He selected a winery, Canas, that was in the wine making business for over 100 yrs. They were the first to have bulk wines for retail. Many details were provided, including specs and due to limited space they can't all be listed here. Instead, please refer to his presentation that is posted on our website and may be found [HERE](#). These pictures might entice you to click the link. We ended the evening with a nice toast to our member Rachel who was celebrating her birthday. She is the shy one ignoring the camera.

## DEBUT APPEARANCE

The team of Schlereth/Csoka will be our 9 November presenters sharing their first ever wine tasting titled, "**We'll be fine, there will be plenty of wine**". Be sure to plan to attend this gathering at the American Legion, 7:30 start.



Thanks to Tom for a wonderful evening. Oh and never forget to provide pours for the presenter:

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The voting results...and the on the shelf cost

#	Wine	Votes	Cost
1	Luis Canas Rioja Reserva 2013	3	27
2	Luis Canas Rioja Gran Reserva 2013	11	37
3	Convento Oreja Ribera del Duero Roble 2017	11	17
4	Convento Oreja Ribera del Duero Crianza 2014	22	27
5	Finca Sobreno Seleccion Especial Toro 2014	15	31
6	Finca Sobreno Ildefonso Toro 2014	20	43

Don't forget that the holiday party will be at the Hydres. A great way to wrap up our 2019 year!

AND....

Well, we are off to a great start. Here is a look at our **2020 presentations**. Lots of holes to fill though!!

Date	Presenter	Topic	Food Preparers
January 10th	Renee Dunn	American Vintage	
February 14th	Rita Allan	Pinot Noir and Chocolate	
March 13th	Linda Crandall	Soil/Terroir	
April 10th	Haliey and Chauncey	Rose'	
May 8th			
June 12th	Heitmeyer		
July 10th			
August 14th			
September 11th			
October 9th			
November 13th			
December 11th	All	Holiday Celebration	All