

## King George Chapter May 2022 www.kgwinesociety.com

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At precisely 7:30PM sharp, Chapter Chair Terri pounded the gavel to get the May 13 meeting underway. Twenty one members, 2 returning former members and 1 guest, Krista Williams gathered to hear Patti Damon share her research project with the attendees. As an outgrowth of her study with her 5th grade class,(actually she was driven to check out her cellar because of her students!!!) she energetically compared wines with the same grapes from the two coasts of the US. No two wines were from the same state but Patti wanted to determine if the wines tasted the same across the

country. She studied to find similar influences, so this was more of a scientific study process to address her hypothesis wondering what were the factors that influence the taste of wines. Do the wines taste distinctively different? She was full of energy and the evening was quite upbeat. She looked for similar weather patterns across the growing season for the same vintages. She used a blind tasting/pouring method to minimize bias in the location of production. The attendees tasted the wines in pairs, and then shared which coast they believed the wine was from. Traits of the regions of the wines were shared after unveiling the bottles. We tasting Chardonnay, Barbera, and Pinot Noir. The most notable difference was with the Barbera which showed great color difference and body







weight. It appears that sunshine is the most significant difference for west coast wines. We had a good laugh at that. We did address color and what to expect from each variety. We had food to pair with the wines and walked through the scientific process in good humor. Patti had us in the best of spirits and most got the correct coast of the wines.

Wine	Location Fav		Cost
River Road Chardonnay 2020	CA 4		\$16
Ray Len Yadkin Valley 2019	NC	4	\$15
Stanburn Barbera 2018	VA 3		\$27
Lost River Barbera	WA	10	
Coelho Pinot Noir 2019	OR 7		\$28
Armstrong Valley Pinot Noir 2019	PA 2		\$19
Wild Boar- Bonus	Grapes- West, production- East 11		\$38



Here are our upcoming tastings. Also, Ci did a fabulous job I learned, presenting Ancients Grapes. So sorry there is not a report on her tremendous efforts.

10-Jun	Denise Gibson	Aromas	Open
8-Jul	Open		Open
12-Aug	Such		Open
9-Sep	Loudin		Open