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Once again Chateau Merrillanne, a good friend of the King George Wine Society, came to present their wine on March 8 at the American Legion to 28 members, one of whom joined that night. Kenny and Emily presented 7 wines starting off with Chat Petillant, a sparkling made from Chardonnay using the méthode traditionnelle. As they progressed through their presentation, Kenny regaled the audience



with his witty quips, like how butter can save a lunch doomed for disaster because of bad wine. He also shared the history behind the blend Duo, and how Emily's smart creation during after-hours blending of her two favorites, became one of their most popular wines.



Chateau Merrillanne leases many of their grapes from the local area, and Michael Henny from VA Wineworks is their wine maker. CM is the only winery in VA to receive medals from the Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association 8 times in a row which is quite impressive and made the tasting that much more enjoyable and respected. Onward, the tasting went with an Albarino followed by a Chardonnay reserve. In 1734, Orange County was founded and that became a significant factor in naming their red wine Founded 1734 which is silky and soft with bold flavors. The Cabernet Sauvignon and then the Petit Verdot rounded out the evening. A very nice pairing of food provided by Steve Heitmeyer to include mac and cheese with brisket as well as cheeses and chocolate.

The evening was a success, not a surprise to the many members who have enjoyed previous presentations by this great team. We thank Kenny and Emily for their time with us and bringing their wonderful wines to taste.

Welcome Sarah Snow, our newest member.



APRIL EVENT
 Friday 12 April
 7:30pm @ American Legion

The Novellinos will present
 wines from the Fingerlakes.

#	Wine	Fav Overall	Cost
1	Chat Petillant		34
2	2022 Duo	4	24
3	2022 Albarino	2	24
4	2019 Chardonnay Reserve	3	25
5	Founded1734		25
6	2019 Cabernet Sauvignon	3	30
7	2019 Petit Verdot	14	32