

WINE GRAPE INFORMATION FOR PENNSYLVANIA AND THE REGION

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February is a mess. Meetings galore. All are worthwhile so pick and choose and attend as many as you can. Here are some of the highlights. Check the events calendar for more information.

Two more pruning workshops are coming up in February. The first at Manatawny Creek Winery in Berks County on February 10. The second at Nimble Hill Vineyards near Tunkhannock (Wyoming County) on February 21. Please preregister for these workshops. See flyer attachments.

The grape section to the Mid-Atlantic Fruit and Vegetable Convention is TOMORROW February 3 in Hershey. The annual Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture conference is in State College from February 5-7. And the Virginia Vineyards Association has its usual excellent program including a Merlot symposium in Charlottesville from Feb 19-21.

Grape Expectations in New Jersey on February 21. The program features Cornell researcher Libby Tarleton, also viticulture consultant Jeanette Smith from Virginia and Glenn Bassler from Grgich-Hills in Napa Valley talking about biodynamic wine growing and tasting GH wines (they are not to be missed!). See attachment.

The Virginia Vineyards Association annual conference in Charlottesville is yet another outstanding meeting on Feb 20-21. This year it features a Merlot symposium. For more information, go to

<http://www.virginiavineyardsassociation.com/events.php#annualmeeting>

Please refer to the '09 vit-enol events calendar for many more regional events and more detailed program information about each event.

FYI - I have received notice that there is an excellent vineyard manager seeking to relocate from Michigan to the East. He has 19 years of experience with grapevines in cold climates. He would be an excellent candidate for any vineyard management position in our region. If you wish to contact him, please call me for contact information.

Attachments:

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