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## 2018 INDUCTION DINNER

On Friday, January 19, 2018 we celebrated the 45th annual Feast of Saint Vincent with 3 new inductees to our San Francisco Chapter. Our members and guests enjoyed a five course meal which included appetizers, Seabass Crudo, Baked Wild Salmon, Filet Mignon, Cheese and the Chocolate Hazelnut Temptation. All were paired with amazing French wines provided by Crissa Imports. Thank you again Silvia! I again would like to welcome and congratulate Kathryn Anderson, Nelson Knuth and Steven Ventrello. Thank you for making our Saint Vincent Feast/ Induction dinner on that Saturday night an unforgettable evening. I hope to see everyone at the next couple of events.



See reverse side for Q2 and Q3  
Confrerie Events!

### Event Ideas?

The San Francisco Chapter is exploring locations for future events so if you have a location/ winery you would like us to look at please contact us through the website or email:

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### Fun Wine Facts:

- ◆ Red wines are well attributed to positive health benefits. It lowers you chances of having a stroke compared to nondrinkers. For men and women who drink moderately, it lessens their chance of developing Type 2 diabetes by 30%.
- ◆ How do you hold a wine glass? Wine glasses should be held by the stem, so that way the hand does not raise the temperature of the wine.
- ◆ Bottles that have animals on the label are know as "Crittter Wine".
- ◆ The oldest known wine cellar is on the Titantic. When divers went down to the wreckage, surprisingly most of the bottles were still intact.
- ◆ So many organic compounds are in wine. This is considered more complex than that of blood serum.

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## Q2 Spring Event– By Appointment Only Wine Tasting Day– Sunday, May 20th

As the Napa fires postponed our event in Q4, we will help the Napa Valley as we will be going back to Caymus Vineyards and Spring Mountain on Sunday, May 20th. We will start at Caymus Vineyards at 11am then venture to Spring Mountain for the 2nd half of our tasting. **RSVP by Friday, May 4th.**

**Member Price- \$75 | Non-Member Price- \$100**  
Retail Value- \$125

11:00 am—1st Stop: Caymus Winery Caymus Vineyards is 100% family-owned by the Wagners. The Wagners took the name Caymus from the Mexican land grant known as Rancho Caymus, given to George Yount in 1836, which encompassed what eventually became the town of Rutherford and much of the surrounding area. Caymus Vineyards offers us a relaxed, intimate tasting experience on their beautifully landscaped grounds. We will sample five wines made by the Wagner family– Caymus, Mer Soleil, Emmolo and Conundrum. We will also hear some of their favorite stories about being farmers and winemakers in the Napa Valley, with family history dating back more than 150 years.

Tasting is 60 minutes.

12:00 —1:00pm: Lunch on your own and travel time to 2nd stop

1:30 pm—2nd Stop: Spring Mountain Winery Spring Mountain Vineyard is a unique estate established in the 1880s. From the greenhouse garden surrounded by European and American Beauty roses to the canopy of antique olive trees, a visitor is transported to another place in timeless beauty. In 1981, Lorimar Studios of Hollywood offered to film a television series at Miraville about the Napa Valley, to be entitled “Vintage Years”. The pilot was a success and the series was begun, renamed Falcon Crest. The Victorian home soon became one of the most famous residences in the world. This will be a perfect opportunity to experience handcrafted, limited production wines modeled after some of France’s finest. The tour gives us a more comprehensive look at various parts of the property including their vineyard, winery and historic caves. Wine Educators will guide guests around the grounds of the Estate and surrounding vineyards for a glimpse of the distinctive property and dynamic terrain that is Spring Mountain. We will then have a seated tasting of 5 wines including Sauvignon Blanc, two selections of Cabernet Sauvignon and their signature Bordeaux blend, Elivette.

### **Q3 Fall Event: Wine Fest at the SF Giants Game (Wine fest begins at 5pm)** **Friday, July 6th vs. St. Louis Cardinals at 7:15pm** **\$40 per member | \$50 per non member**

The Giants are pleased to announce Wine Fest is back for its eighth year! Since we had a fantastic time last year, we decided to go back to the ballpark. Whether you're a Confrerie wine connoisseur, casual wine taster or just a fan looking for a fun pregame activity, this event is a great way to gather before the Giants game, while tasting the work of several wineries throughout Northern California. Your Special Event package includes a ticket to the Friday night game versus the Cardinals, admission to the pre-game Wine Fest in Lot A from 5:00-7:00pm, as well as a Giants themed Wine Fest item.

So be sure to **RSVP by Friday, April 13th** so I can purchase tickets all together.