



# San Francisco Chapter German Wine Society

One Laurel Lane  
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## **The Next Event: Welcome Tasting on Friday, January 30, 2009**

Your Chapter Board and I look forward to welcoming you to the first tasting of the New Year. This is a special event you won't want to miss. First, there will be the outstanding wines from our Chapter cellar and a great selection of appetizers. Second, there will be fun activities including a "guess the mystery wine" contest. The winner of this contest will receive a prize: a bottle of 1976 von Simmern Erbacher Marcobrunn Auslese courtesy of our member Barry Boothe. Third, the event is free for members; there is no charge for returning and new members who have paid dues for 2009.

This tasting will take place at the Gregory home in Sausalito is open to members only. When you send in your annual dues, please let us know if you will be joining us on January 30<sup>th</sup> and if you will be bringing a guest.

Date: Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>  
 Time: 7 to 9 p.m.  
 Location: Gregory Residence  
 1 Laurel Lane  
 Sausalito, CA (map below)  
 Price: No Charge – 2009 Dues-Paying Members Only  
 Each member may bring one guest.

The wines to be poured include the following:

	<b>Year</b>	<b>Producer</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Style</b>	<b>Region</b>
1	1998	von Simmern	Rauenthaler Baiken	Kabinett	Rheingau
2	1999	Dr. Loosen	Erdener Treppchen	Kabinett	Mosel
3	2000	Müller-Catoir	Haardter Bürgergarten	Kabinett	Pfalz
4	2001	Staatsweingut Kloster Eberbach	Rauenthaler Baiken Gold Kapsel, (auction wine)	Kabinett	Rheingau
5	2003	Emrich-Schönleber	Monzinger Frühlingsplätzchen	Kabinett	Nahe
6	1999	Robert Weil	Estate Riesling, (Wasseros & Sandgrub vineyards)	Spätlese	Rheingau
7	2000	Willi Schaefer	Graacher Domprobst	Spätlese	Mosel
8	2001	Maximin Grünhäuser	Abtsberg, von Schubert	Spätlese	Ruwer
9	2005	J. J. Prüm	Bernkasteler Badstube feinherb	Spätlese	Mosel
10	2002	Fritz Haag	Brauneberger Juffer- Sonnenuhr	Auslese	Mosel
11	2004	Weingut Keller	Dalsheimer Hubacker Riesling	Auslese	Rheinhessen

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12	1976	von Simmern	Erbacher Marcobrunn	Auslese	Rheingau
13	1999	von Beulwitz.	Kaseler Nies'chen #13	Beeren- auslese	Mosel-Saar- Ruwer

## **Membership Renewal**

Annual dues for 2009 are now payable. The amount remains the same as last year at \$70. Membership entitles two persons (for example a couple or a member and a guest) to attend our events at a reduced price and to attend the special member-only event described above at no cost!

As you may know, the chapter is operated by volunteers; our funding comes entirely from annual member dues, the one-time initiation fee paid by new members, and the event fees. The chapter depends on having a membership base sufficient to sustain our continued operation.

Dues checks, payable to the German Wine Society, should be sent to:

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## **New Members Welcome**

An important part of our mission is to share knowledge and appreciation of German wines. Rieslings may be the best known, but many other white and red varietals are also produced. Our tasting program provides a fun and convenient way to explore and learn about this intriguing wine universe. Membership is a great way to get started and is quite a bargain at the \$25 one-time initiation fee and annual dues of \$70, especially considering that the January event is free for members. Members also enjoy substantially lower event fees at our other events.

To further promote new membership, any current Member who introduces a new member will receive a bottle of wine from the cellar.

## **2009 Tasting Program**

Though our tasting program, we strive to inform and delight both the experienced wine enthusiast as well as introduce newcomers to these wonderful wines. A total of six events is planned: the "Welcome" tasting described above, four tastings at Fort Mason's Gate House, and a sit-down wine appreciation dinner at a fine restaurant in the City. The schedule for the year appears below, and further details about each event will be provided in future issues of this Newsletter.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event Theme</b>
Fri., Jan. 30	Welcome Tasting – for Members Only
Wed., Mar. 25	Wines of the Rheingau
Thu., Jun. 11	Wines of a premium producer (sit down dinner)
Thu., Sep. 3	Spätburgunder and other German Reds
Thu., Oct 15	Exploring the German Wine Regions
Thu., Dec. 3	Holiday Sparklers and Stickies

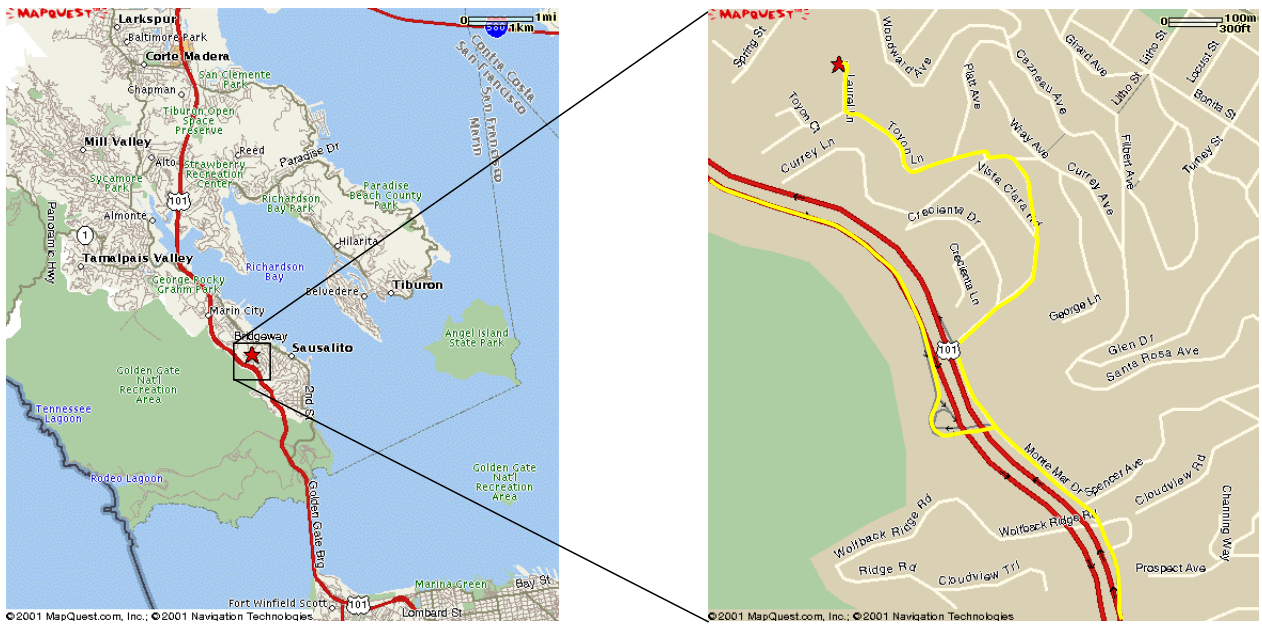
Best regards from your board.

*Jim Gregory*

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**Map to the Gregory Residence**



Take US 101 to Sausalito (either from the South or North) and use the Spencer-Monte Mar exit. Take Monte Mar Rd. (not Spencer) downhill, passing Crecienta Dr. and Vista Clara Rd. on your left, to the stop sign at Currey Ave. Cross Currey and bear slightly left (toward a white guard rail) onto Platt Ave. Continue on Platt a short distance (about 200') and onto Toyon Lane. (Do not follow Platt when it makes a sharp right turn down hill.) Wind ahead on Toyon and take the first right onto Laurel Lane. We're at #1 Laurel Lane (bottom left). Park anywhere on Laurel or Toyon. Total distance from freeway exit to house: 0.7 mile.