**MWS November Newsletter**

 Our next meeting will be Thursday 11/19  -  Details below – including where to get your wine prior to the meeting.

 But first to review our **October meeting:**

Phil proposed the following slate of officers for 2021,

 President: Lisa Nordmann

Vice President: John Merkle

Secretary: Steve B.

Treasurer: Phil R.

Cellar Master: Dan Peters

 All are welcome to send additional nominations to Phil prior to our November meeting.

We enjoyed a thorough presentation from Lisa Nordmann and John Merkle re “Wine Faults”.   Reminder that informational sheets were provided and are available from the American Wine Society from Denise Gardener Winemaking web site <https://www.dgwinemaking.com/>or I can resend to you.  Also, the zoom video of the meeting is available as well.

**November Zoom Meeting with Edge Cliff**

 Lisa has put together the following information re our November meeting:

I am so excited about our November Zoom meeting on Thursday, November 19th at 7 PM.  We are so lucky to have two amazing women winemakers, Steffie Littlefield and Cyndy Keesee, to be presenting at our meeting.  Please check out their informative web site at<https://www.edg-clif.com/>

Their wines can be purchased at Friar Tucks and at their Edge Cliff Farms and Winery in Potosi, MO, open this Friday and Saturday (November  13th and 14th). Their wines are reasonably priced and definitely delicious.   I found the following wines at the Friar Tucks in Fenton.

 Edge Cliff Chardonel - $18.99

Chambourcin - $14.99

Chambourcin Reserve - $18.99

Vignoles - $17.99

Vidal Blanc - $17.99

Soleil - Vidal Blanc - $11.99

Twilight - $11.99

Showbarn Red - $11.99

Starlight - $11.99

Hollyberry Red  - $11.99

Let us all support these two women and their amazing winery by purchasing some wines.  I know Steffie and Cyndy will be willing to answer any of our questions.

***Viticulturist and Owner***

***Steffie Littlefield***

Steffie has an A.S. in Horticulture and B.S. in Agriculture/Horticulture. She has served as President of Gateway Greening, Vice President/treasure of Gateway Professional Horticulturist Association (GPHA) and  President of the Horticulture Co-op of Metro St. Louis. She has been a landscape designer for over 25 years and given workshops on Gardening, writes a monthly article for the Gateway Gardener Magazine, a frequent speaker and serves on the Members Board of the Missouri Botanical Garden and the Board of the Troutlodge YMCA of the Ozarks. She has designed award winning garden displays for the St. Louis Flower Show and the St. Louis Post Dispatch Garden Contest. She is now serving as Vice President of the Missouri Grape Growers Association.

***Cyndy Keesee***

***Winemaker and Owner***

Cyndy has been in the wine-making industry since 2008, when Edg-Clif planted their first 4 acres of grapes and now turns up to 2500 gallons of juice into award winning wines.  She is involved in the Grape and Wine Institute at the University of Missouri and the Missouri Wine Technical Group. She finds "the crush" to be the most exciting part of wine-making, but the fermentation is still her favorite, getting to smell the fruit character mixed with yeast bubbling away and the changes it undergoes as it becomes wine.  One of her creationsTwilight, a sweet white Chambourcin, was recognized as Best of Class in the rosé category and has been featured in several wine publications.

 See you Thursday 11/19!!!