



November/December 2010 Newsletter

Next Event

AWS Holiday Dinner, Tuesday December 7th.

To kick-off to the Christmas Holiday Season, we will be holding a fine wine dinner in the heart of trendy Yorkville, at BLU Ristorante and Lounge, just west of Yonge,. Located in the heart of the amazing Yorkville district, at 17 Yorkville Avenue, BLU is a quaint townhouse with simple and cozy brickwork encased in minimalistic glass and orangey glowing bar lights and candles.



For those that are akin to the culinary circles of our fair city, look no further because BLU has taken on Head Chef Massimo Callovini and believe me he is worth everything he gets. Chef Massimo has created the menu, and John Macdonald has selected the wines to go with each course. There will be a cash bar prior to sitting down for dinner at 7:15. This way members and guests can arrive at their leisure.

Here is what you can look forward to on the 7th.

First Course

Caprese Salad, Bufala Mozzarella, vine ripened tomatoes, basil and extra virgin olive oil

Second Course

Penne Gorgonzola, gorgonzola cheese, leeks, bourbon cream sauce and arugula.

Third Course

Grilled 10oz Beef Tenderloin, Madagascar Peppercorn Sauce, mini white potatoes, butternut squash and Seasonal vegetables.

Dessert Course

Tiramisu Blu

Coffee and Tea

Dinner all inclusive, tips and taxes, with all wines, is \$95.00 for AWS Members and \$105.00 for Guests.

BLU Ristorante is located at 17 Yorkville Avenue, Toronto. Telephone 416-921-1471.

Take the TTC Yonge Subway, exit at Bloor Street, walk north to Yorkville Avenue.

The link to on line registration is <http://festivedinner10.eventbrite.com>

We, the AWS Director's look forward to our festive evening with everyone. For those of you who cannot be there, we wish you a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and the best for the New Year ahead.

Past Events

On Thursday, October 28th, 36 Shiraz devotees, sat down and sampled eight super shirazes, all under the tutelage of our past Cellar-master, Ron Stagg. We welcomed a number of guests, who had not attended a formal tasting before, and the ladies were well-guided through the tasting by Messrs Robert Statton and Michael Shimbos.

Future Events

Australia Day, January 25, 2011

We are taking over the Albany Club in January to celebrate Australia's national day. This year, the Canadian Australian Chamber of Commerce and AWS will be co-hosting the evening. Cocktails and appetizers in the Fourth Floor Lounge at 6:45 p.m. The three course dinner with wines, is expected to be a sell-out. Mark your calendars, and watch for the next Newsletter.

March 3rd, 2011 A Wine Odyssey.

April 12th Agent's Night at Faculty Club

May 17th Cabernet Tasting at the Faculty Club

June 22, Summer Solstice at the Boulevard Club

New members

Welcome to Ellen Mary Mills, Elizabeth Lloyd, Howard Reininger & Darlene Sexton, Graham Duff & Leena Jaakkimainen, Janet Harrison & Charles Iscove, Ian McEwen & Virginia Portmann, Andrea Moffatt, Eve Shewchuk, Nick Stodola & Kim Matthews, Glenn Taylor.