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Valley of the Moon Dilettante Enological Society Newsletter November, 2005

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Meeting of November 10, 2005

President Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:36 PM. There were several unfamiliar faces in the audience. Pres. Cooper asked folks to introduce themselves. We had four guests, all of whom joined the organization. Welcome to Larry Castelli, Annie Falandes, Chris Kukshel and Theresa Pulido.

Old Business:

1. Pres. Cooper reported that discussions with respect to our participation with the Vintage Festival and the Home Winemakers competition will be held open for further discussion. Members felt that we should continue to support the Home Winemakers Competition. Bobbie Collins will check with Chip Allen to see if we could have a table at the square during the festivities on Saturday.

2. Discussions regarding establishment of an event similar to the Home Winemakers Classic were continued. Bobbie Collins reported on the results of the sub-committee assigned to work on this project.. The committee consists of Bobbie Collins (Chair), Jack Bertram, Bruce Stephens, Doug Ghiselin, Mike Muscardini and Rich Brooks. It was reported that Rich Brooks had contacted Cline and they were receptive to host the event. Doug reported that his contact with the Booster's club was out of town. Doug will follow up.

3. Byron Nichols reorted that the Holiday Party would be held at the Herrick's Barn on Dec. 11. Byron Nichols is committee chair with Barry Ganley assisting. Midge Herrick will coordinate the catering.

We will have a silent auction as we have had in the past. Byron reported that the committee had decided that we should have a raffle as an additional fund raiser. Additional info will be sent out in future emails.

4. Dennis Przybycein reported on his discussions with officials relative to the opportunity for the club to work on the vineyard at the Vallejo Home. Dennis reported that the officials are interested in our participation, but that the State goes slow! The subject will be held open. Dennis (chair), Ghiselin, Trotta and Carroll are committee members

New Business

1. There was no new business brought to the floor.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Ghiselin reported a balance of \$2440.52.

Guest Speaker: Our guest speaker had to cancel.

VOMDES Calendar

Holiday Party is Dec. 11. See separate emails for details. Get your reservations in early. No business meeting in Dec.

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1. Member Ghiselin, 996-8967, has new wine bottles for sale. Call to determine cost, type and quantity available.
2. Member Ghiselin has several 5 gallon glass carboys available at \$10 each. Call him at 996-8967.