BONITA

Red Wines Around the World

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ON MARCH 28, 2017, Bonita Mondiale members gathered at Pelican's Nest Golf Club for a tasting of "Red Wines Around the World." The "Nest" is in the gated community of Pelican Landing, which borders Spring Creek and Estero Bay. The clubhouse's spacious terrace was a wonderful place for confrères to gather for the final Mondiale event of the season.

Arriving attendees were greeted with flutes of Barboursville Vineyards Viognier Reserve 2015. The tasting was led by Stacole Fine Wines representative Bonita Wilson, CSW, who provided commentary and tasting notes on a California cabernet franc, an Italian merlot, a South African cabernet blend, an Argentinian malbec, a Spanish petit verdot, and a Bordeaux grand cru. As part of the lesson, she placed three small bottles of different red wine scents on the tables to help participants identify different wine aromas.

Executive Chef Cameron Hord created a tasty buffet dinner for the group to enjoy. In closing, Vice Echanson Philip Schmitt and Chambellan Provincial/Bailli Susan Vareschi presented Ms. Wilson and Assistant Director of Food and Beverage Jason Jones with an etched wine decanter and a commemorative Chaîne plate, respectively. 69













