



WLASC Annual Meeting
Friday, February 10, 2012
7 - 9 pm



The Sonoma County Wine Library Annual Meeting will present our Oral History on Merry Edwards. Join us for an intimate discussion about her contributions to the California wine industry, Sonoma County and to wines around the world.

We will be serving wine produced by Merry Edwards
and fine food from Park Avenue Catering.

We will also have a silent auction
featuring wines donated by the "Lords and Goddesses"

4545 Thomas Lake Harris Drive, Santa Rosa
\$45 Non-Members \$30 Wine Library Members

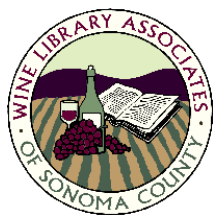
Call 707-433-1660 for Reservations

Merry Edwards — The Woman Who Made Pinot and the Russian River Special

Come spend a great evening celebrating Merry Edwards stellar career. The Sonoma County Wine Library Associates have selected Merry as our 2012 oral history candidate. Our annual meeting will showcase her in conversation with interviewer Vivienne Sosnowski, author of *When the Rivers Ran Red*. This will take place at the spectacular hilltop winery, Paradise Ridge overlooking Santa Rosa and the Russian River Valley, on Friday February 10, 2012, from 7-9 PM. There will be wines including some of Merry's and hors d'oeuvres from Park Avenue Catering. The cost is \$30 for Wine Library Members and \$45 for the public. Call 707-433-1660 for reservations.

It is a great time to join or to renew your membership in the Wine Library Associates of Sonoma County and take advantage of the low member's price to this special evening.

Merry will relate through a congenial interview format some of the fascinating history spanned by her winemaking career from the 1970's until now. Born in Boston and raised in Pasadena, Merry got a degree in physiology from UC Berkeley in 1971 and was going into graduate studies in nutrition when a friend, Andy Quady shared his enology books from Davis. Merry had thought winemaking was just art and instinct. The science came as a revelation, and she transferred to UC Davis. She fought gender discrimination throughout her career, but in the early days, it was difficult even to get an interview for some positions. Her first job was at Mount Eden, following in the footsteps of the legendary Martin Ray. Merry went on to become the founding winemaker at Matanzas Creek Winery, building that winery's reputation. Over the course of several decades she worked for other wineries, consulted widely, established several businesses: Merry Vintners, then Meredith Estate Vineyards and finally Merry Edwards Winery. She and her husband, Ken Coopersmith, now manage five estate vineyards and produce a number of spectacular Pinots and a Sauvignon Blanc that reflect the unique soils and microclimates of the Russian River Valley and Sonoma Coast and receive consistent scores in the high 90's from the best reviewers.



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