



# the brotherhood of the knights of the vine®

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## Something "S" for Your Sweet

*The Novotny's • Fairfax Station, VA • Saturday*

*February 21 • 7 pm*

**February is associated with "Sweets". In an effort to change things a bit we are keeping only the "S". We will stun your senses with "S" wines and sensible savory snacks supplemented by some scrumptious sweets.**

To that end, Master Haralder Walt Rachele, Gentle Lady Jennifer Crafts and spouses sequestered themselves to sample and select a simply stunning spectrum of sweet stuff. This sensational soirée is something you will not want to skip. (For those who savor sweetness, there will be at least one Port and perhaps a second sweet selection.)

**Walt asks: Ok - what starts with "S" .....**

The cost is \$45 per person. If you wish to attend, but did not send a check by last Thursday, please notify [Ken@Haapala.com](mailto:Ken@Haapala.com), as soon as possible.

The Attire Is: Sports Coat or Sweater; with Teastevin.

**Directions:** The Novotny home is located at 11649 Havenner Road in Fairfax Station, VA. This is near the intersection of Ox Road (123) and Fairfax County Parkway (7100) near Burke. From intersection of Ox Road and Fairfax County Parkway head north on Ox Road to the second left onto Clara Barton Dr. (about 2/3<sup>rd</sup> mile). Proceed about 2000 feet on Clara Barton to the second left which is Havenner. Proceed about another 2000 feet to 11649 Havenner. Eric will mark the driveway with red cones. So that those who may find the walk up the driveway difficult have room to park near the house, we request those who are able to walk up the driveway to park on Havenner.

**Please note: the maps are confusing, there is no interchange or access point where Clara Barton Drive crosses Fairfax County Parkway.**

From I – 66 take Fairfax County Parkway south to Burke Center Parkway east. Take a right onto Ox Road (123) to the next right which is Clara Barton Dr. and follow the directions above.

From Braddock Road, head south on Ox Road (123) past Burke Center Parkway to the next right which is Clara Barton Dr. and follow the directions as above.

# The Grand Assemblage

Induction of New Members  
Enthronement Dinner

## Estate of General George Washington

Mount Vernon, Virginia

Saturday Evening, March 14, 2009

General George Washington invites his exceptional supporters, the Brotherhood of the Knights of the Vine, to invest its new members with the responsibilities of their great position on the grounds of Mt. Vernon. The new members must be as worthy, truthful, and committed to their task as our great General.

The evening will commence with a private tour of the home of General George and Martha Washington at 5:30 pm, prompt.

The Induction ceremony for new members is scheduled on the East Lawn of the General's home.

After the Induction Ceremony, all will delight in a champagne reception for our new members in the Courtyard Garden and the Verandah. Thence; to the George Washington Dining Room for the Enthronement Dinner!

The cost of the event is \$165 pp for each KOV member and first guest. The cost of additional guests is \$190 pp. The one exception is that Knights-in-Training and Ladies-in-Waiting will be permitted to invite up to three guests at the member price.

**Proposed Menu for the Enthronement Dinner**  
(Subject to Change)

Hors d'oeuvres

Virginia Ham Raspberry Biscuits	Smoked Duck Biscuits, Apricot Preves.
Mini Beef Wellingtons	Lamb Satay with Tzatziki Sauce
Asparagus & Proscuitto wrapped in Phyllo	Seared Ahi Tuna Crostini

*Flight of Champagnes, other Sparkling, and Still Wines*

Colonial Peanut & Chestnut Soup  
*White Wine TBD*

Broiled Rockfish over Stewpot Greens  
*White Wine TBD*

Grilled Rabbit Riesling over Sweet Potatoes  
*White and Red Wines TBD*

Intermezzo  
Mango Sorbet with Crystallized Ginger Garnish

Venison Medallion with Peppercorn Sauce over Red Cabbage  
*Two Red Wines TBD*

Blue Cheese and Walnut Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette

(Homemade Breads, Crackers & Corn Fritters)

Apricot Bread Pudding & Fresh Berries in a Chocolate Cup  
*Walt Rachele's Assemblage Port & Madeira TBD*

**New Members:** Please mail the Applications for new members, with a check for the appropriate amount to: **Kenneth Haapala, Master Commander KOV; 9634 Boyett Court, Fairfax, VA 22032**. Please inform me if any applications are “underway” by email, [Ken@Haapala.com](mailto:Ken@Haapala.com), or fax them to 703-978-2258.

**Reservations:** Please assure your reservations. Treasurer Joe Alt had to go out of town until March 1. If you did not notify him of your reservations or did not send him a check prior to Wednesday February 11, please notify me at [Ken@Haapala.com](mailto:Ken@Haapala.com).

**Friday Event:** Some of our friends in other chapters are joining us. To welcome them will have a reception featuring local and regional wines on the evening of Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> in Old Town Alexandria or at the home of Christine and Ken Haapala in Fairfax.

**Lodging:** The closest lodging is the Best Western, Mount Vernon, which is three miles from the Estate (703-360-1300). Those staying longer may prefer the Hampton Inn, Alexandria Old Town South (703-329-1400). Details were sent out in a prior email.

**Transportation:** For those who so desire, we will arrange transportation at the Hampton Inn, Alexandria Old Town South, to and from Mount Vernon for \$30pp or less. Please reserve by March 3. The type of vehicle(s) and exact cost will depend on the number of members who desire this service.

**News from New York: A messenger just arrived announcing that the cold and the snow continue to grip the General's winter headquarters at New York. But the General is still determined, Fortunes of War permitting, He intends to be at Mt. Vernon to greet his stalwart supporters of the Brotherhood of the Knights of the Vine and to especially welcome our new Knights and Gentle Ladies.**

**Updates to Follow:**

Per Vitem! Ad Vitam!  
Kenneth Haapala, Master Commander

**UPDATES ON EVENTS: For all updates on our chapter events please see our chapter web site: [www.kov-dc.org](http://www.kov-dc.org)**

**The dues notices:** Please pay your dues as quickly as possible. Prompt payment enhances the amount that National sends back to our Chapter and greatly enhances our influence at National meetings.