

You are invited to the first seminar
of our Vine to Wine Series:

Viticulture and Vines - The Biology of Grapes



Thursday, March 20, 2008
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Light fare will be provided.

Hosted at The Center Club
Located in the Legg Mason Building
100 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21202
Private parking is available at the club at no cost.
www.centerclub.org

The first seminar of our Vine to Wine series, Viticulture and Vines - The Biology of Grapes, will feature Joseph Fiola, PhD (bio below), who will discuss the soil, climate and grapes which grow best in Maryland. Our second seminar will focus on casking and fermentation, and the third will cover the tasting aspects of Maryland Wines.

Seating is extremely limited, so please let us know if you can attend this seminar as soon as possible. You can RSVP to Tina Lewandowski, our marketing director, at (410) 783-6358 or tflwandowski@niles-law.com. We hope to see you there.



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Dr. Fiola has over 25 years of academic and industry experience in research and extension in small fruit production and breeding, viticulture and enology. He is currently the Specialist in Viticulture and Small Fruit for the University of Maryland and was in a similar position at Rutgers from 1988-2001. He is responsible for a statewide viticulture and fruit research and extension program and holds 10 patents for developing new bramble and strawberry varieties. He has done considerable research into new production systems and season extension. His viticulture and enology R&E program concentrates on variety testing, including clonal comparisons, new and imported varieties, as well as cultural practices and health benefits. He also conducts small batch winemaking studies of the varieties and the experimental treatments. He is a member of the American Society of Enology and Viticulture and the American Wine Society.

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