



## 'Red Carpet Wine Dinner' set for Valentine's Day at 33rd Street Wine

It's that lovely time of year, when wine lovers are stepping out onto the Red Carpet for their love affair with the vine. From the red carpet to ladies in red, so shall go the evening at 33rd Street Wine Bar on this upcoming Valentine's Day: powerful red wines, passionate wine lovers, and ruby red lips, from sipping all the great wine! So, let's roll out the Red Carpet on Feb. 14 with RED MARE WINES.

The winemaker and co-owner for Red Mare, Anne Vawter – a horse enthusiast as the name of the wine implies – is a native of Walla Walla, Washington. She has degrees in Enology and Viticulture from UC Davis and has since spent time perfecting her trade in wineries up and down the Americas from her native Pacific Northwest to Chile. She has a history working with winemaker Heidi Barrett (of Screaming Eagle and Paradigm fame) and she has clearly captured Barrett's award-winning style under her tutelage. Red Mare sources their grapes from fabulous Napa growing regions, like Oakville, St. Helena, Spring Mountain, and Rutherford. They won Double Gold, Gold, and Silver awards for their Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Sauvignon – as rated by the American Fine Wine Competition (AFWC).

The AFWC consists of a body of 24 judges, all of whom are sommeliers, master sommeliers, and industry professionals: Virginia Philip, MS ("The Breakers" and

Virginia Phillips Academy of Wine), Charlie Arturaola (sommelier and principal actor in "El Camino del Vino" Film), Sara & Monty Preiser (publishers of The Preiser Key to Napa Valley and - to Sonoma), as well as yours truly, Candace Proctor (sommelier and proprietor of 33rd Street Wine Bar), just to name a few! By the way, this year's judging results will be announced in April at the AFWC Gala, hosted locally at the Hollywood Seminole Hard Rock Casino. But I digress...

The Valentine evening at 33rd Street Wine Bar (in its seventh year) will be a sell-out for 30 special Valentines, with Chef Lenore Nolan-Ryan's succulent courses paired with my selected Red Mare vintages, accented by award-winning Chappellet and Pejú. Each red wine has a uniqueness of smell, taste and richness of mouthfeel, whether it is red raspberries, ripe cherries, currants or layers of vanilla and chocolate. Speaking of chocolate and red berries, seductive desserts will also be on the menu. And what would a Valentine's Day be without Rosé? Gruet, a New Mexican Brut Rosé will start off the festivities, while Canard-Duchêne Brut Rosé from France will bid our soirée guests adieu.

To find out more about this incredible Valentine wine event, please contact 33rd Street Wine Bar: 954-566-2111.

*-Salute' Candace*

## Parties rock on at 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Wine Bar



**1** In a New Year's Eve frame of mind, these revelers showed up to celebrate at 33rd Street Wine. From left: Lyne Ranson, John MacMillan, Debra Stabins, Patti Kearney, Serge Saadoun and proprietor Candace Proctor. **2** Candace Proctor, owner of 33rd Street Wine Bar, left, with Shari Gherman, president/co-founder of the American Fine Wine Competition. **3** Dolores and Al Nero, legendary entertainer around town, with owner Candace.

## Big Dog Men's Invitation Golf Tourney to benefit Humane Society of Broward

The third annual Big Dog Men's International Golf Tournament is set for April 2 at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club.

And if this year's event lives up to the previous ones (last year's tournament netted \$63,000 for the furry friends helped by the Humane Society), it is certain to be a success.

Nearly 200 golfers are already confirmed, but places are still available.

Handicap levels will enjoy the Shamble

format. A 50/50 "Pet Poker Game" will bring winning cash to one lucky player.

Other offerings include four hole-in-one prizes, one on all Par-3 holes on both courses.

The tournament is invitation-only and is expected to sell out quickly. Cost is \$300 for one, or \$1,200 for a foursome.

Sponsorship opportunities begin at \$2,500. For information, call Leana at 954-266-6818, or visit [www.humanebroward.com/events/BigDogGolf](http://www.humanebroward.com/events/BigDogGolf).



Cherie Marshal, event co-chair, left, Said Faraj, Stephan DuBois and Melody Saleh, event co-chair, work behind the scenes preparing for the Big Dog Men's Invitational.