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Dear Members:

Please join us for an exciting tasting of wines from two of the most highly regarded young winemakers in California. Critics have called their wines remarkable and their results brilliant. Their wines often receive ratings in the mid 90s from the leading wine critics. Their chardonnays have been compared to premier cru and grand cru white burgundies. One of their pinot noirs has been called a "Richebourg look-alike." At a Society dinner last year featuring new world wines, many considered their Syrah "the wine of the evening."

Steve Clifton and Greg Brewer formed Brewer-Clifton in the early 1990's. They both had significant experience with a multitude of Santa Barbara County wineries. They set out to put the essence of the best vineyards in the area into a bottle.

Brewer-Clifton focuses solely on site-expressive wines from the Santa Rita Hills appellation using Chardonnay and Pinot Noir as voices of place. The area's long growing seasons and diversity of marine-based soils combine to produce dynamic and explosive wines with great purity and precision. Each vineyard site is nurtured identically, allowing the pedigree of place to play the most significant role in their portfolio of wines.

The tasting will be conducted by Greg Brewer and will include the following wines:

- 2008 Melville Viognier
- 2008 Brewer Clifton Gnesa Chardonnay
- 2008 Brewer Clifton Sea Smoke Chardonnay
- 2008 Brewer Clifton Mount Carmel Chardonnay
- 2008 Brewer Clifton Ampelos Pinot Noir
- 2008 Brewer Clifton Mount Carmel Pinot Noir
- 2008 Melville Terraces Pinot Noir
- 2007 Melville Syrah Donna's
- 2003 Melville Syrah Donna's

Brewer-Clifton wines are not made in large quantities. Total production averages between 7,000 and 8,000 cases annually. This will be a wonderful opportunity to meet Greg Brewer and taste Brewer-Clifton wines. Please make your reservations at [www.wfsny.org](http://www.wfsny.org).

Sincerely,

Chris Ankner, President

Date: Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Time: Reception – 6:00 pm; Tasting – 6:30 pm

Location: University Club, One West 54<sup>th</sup> Street (at 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

Dress: Business Attire. The University Club requires men to wear ties.

Contribution: Members - \$80; Guests - \$95