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Texas wine industry holds roundtable

Representatives from the Texas wine industry met with state officials, business leaders and university staff in late August in Comfort, Texas, to discuss the economic impact and future of Texas' wine industry. According to a news release from the Texas Hill Country Wineries association, all sides agreed on the need to improve winemaking, viticulture and wine business education opportunities in the state as well as bolster efforts in collaborative marketing. The meeting was arranged and hosted by Bending Branch Winery owners Bob Young and John Rivenburgh.

EAST**Survey finds support for Pa. privatization**

A survey funded by two political groups indicates the majority of Pennsylvania residents support an end to the state's monopoly on selling liquor and wine.

Of the 1,100 people surveyed, more than

60% support abolishing the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and its wine and liquor stores. The survey was co-sponsored by the Commonwealth Foundation, which supports free-market policies, and the liberal group Keystone Politics.

SUPPLIERS**Oak suppliers donate to WSU**

Cooperages 1912 and Oak Solutions Group announced their joint donation of \$250,000

through the Boswell Family Foundation to the planned Wine Science Center at Washington State University's campus in the Tri-Cities area of Washington. In addition to the monetary donation, Cooperages 1912 also pledged to fill the barrel needs of junior and senior students in WSU's Viticulture and Enology program for the next 10 years. Details: tricity.wsu.edu.

Scott Labs releases cider handbook

Scott Laboratories released a new cider

handbook. The free, 60-page handbook features products, articles and protocols specific to making cider. To request a copy, email info@scottlab.com.

Sansaud names sales vice president, opens Napa office

Tonnellerie Sansaud named Franck Laborbe as the vice president of sales for Sansaud USA. The company also announced it had opened an office in Napa, Calif., as well as a barrel-storage warehouse in nearby American Canyon, Calif. Details: sansaud-usa.com.

Book focuses on packaging design

The new book "99 Bottles of Wine: The Making of a Contemporary Wine Label" by David Schuemann, owner and creative director at CF Napa Brand Design in Napa, Calif., details the creative process of designing the labels and packaging of some of the most notable wine brands in the world. Details: 99bottlesofwine.com.

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