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WOMEN OF THE VINE & SPIRITS GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM

More than 700 people attended this March event in Napa. Founded by the Wine Enthusiast Social Visionary Wine Star Award winner Deborah Brenner, it was the symposium's fifth iteration. Speakers included Danica Patrick, Stephanie Gallo, and W.E. Executive Editor Susan Kostrzewa and Publisher & Editor Adam Strum.















PROWEIN

In its 25th year, this international alcohol beverage trade show in Düsseldorf, Germany, broke attendance records. About 61,500 visitors and 6,900 exhibitors attended the March event, according to event producer Messe-Düsseldorf. In addition to the exhibition hall were seminars, including one led by W.E. Executive Editor Susan Kostrzewa and the Wine & Spirit Education Trust (WSET).















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WINE PARIS

This inaugural event in February merged two longstanding shows: Vinisud, dedicated to wines of southern France and the Mediterranean, and VinoVision Paris, which showcased the wines of northern France. The new format was a success. drawing 27,600 visitors, about 30% of whom were international. Exhibitors are reporting increased sales, and plans are underway for next February's event.













NAPLES WINTER WINE FESTIVAL

This annual Naples, Florida event is the largest charity auction in the U.S. This year, it raised almost \$16 million for the Naples Children & Education Foundation. In addition to impressive auction lots like a set of 37 magnums and a trip to France and Switzerland, the weekend-long festival also includes a Meet the Kids Day, live music and assorted vintner dinners.







