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Introduction

Happy Thanksgiving! Here it is mid-November and time to announce a subdued (from a wine sales standpoint) start to the holiday season. Patricia Green Cellars has released their 2006 vintage Pinot Noirs, and many of Arizona's fine wine stores and restaurants have it in stock, just in time to pair with Tom Turkey. If you are not one of them, call me - there's still time.

Box Score

New Restaurants: 3
New Retail/Wine Bar Outlets: 4
New Sales People: 0

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New Restaurants

Cattleman's Bar and Grill

669 East Sheldon Street Prescott, AZ 86301 (928) 445-4300

Fireside Grill

12800 North Saguaro Boulevard Fountain Hills, AZ 85268 (480) 816-9190

Nando's Mexican Café

3519 East Baseline Road Gilbert, AZ 85234 (480) 633-1313

New Wine Store/Wine Bar Outlets

AJ's Fine Foods at Lone Mountain

31311 North Scottsdale Road Scottsdale, AZ 85266

Grapeables

12645 North Saguaro Boulevard Fountain Hills, AZ 85268 (480) 816-5959

La Vina

12 Plaza Road Tubac, AZ 85646 (520) 398-8142 Vino 100 10110 North Oracle Road Tucson, AZ 85704 (520) 575-8466

Rambling

When Laurie and I started distributing wine in 2001 we had a business plan that had both of us doing the work of buying, warehousing, selling, delivering, billing, administration and so forth. As time went on we found that we could not stretch to do some of the things. We fixed things as they broke. We are now six times bigger than our original business plan, and things continue to be stretched to the limit in different areas. One such limit has been my recognition that I have to be more of a sales manager and focus on recruiting and training. I can no longer run around like the proverbial one legged man in an ass kicking contest. So, I have severely limited the number of my accounts, and put more effort into teaching our sales team about our portfolio and philosophy.

The rambler rambles on...

From all of us at Orangewood Wines,

Richard (newsletter writer) and Laurie (editor) Orangewood Wines