



Around the BENT...

Newsletter of the happenings at BENT
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BENT... ON COFFEE HONORED WITH AWARD

Bent... on Coffee & Wine Too has been named an East County Favorite in a recent Reader's Poll conducted by the Ventura County Star. A representative from The Star made the announcement during a meeting at our shop on Hillcrest Drive on the 5th of March. All of the Reader's Choice Awards can be seen very soon in a special section of The Star.

The management and staff of Bent... on Coffee & Wine Too wish to thank all of our loyal customers and all of those who took the time to vote in this poll. As the new owners of this fine establishment, we are truly honored, and a bit overwhelmed, by this recognition. We must thank our founder, Bent Hartvig, for his vision when he began this business in 1992 and for his guidance when he turn the keys over to us. We will do our best to continue to provide our customers with the best fresh roasted coffees and coffee drinks in the Conejo Valley. We also offer a great selection of boutique and small production wines and dessert wines for your next dinner party or social gathering.

Visit Our Brand New Website

Everything about Bent is now available to view on-line. Visit our new website (www.bentoncoffeeandwine.com) to find out what's new at the Shop. Information about our coffees and our wines, as well as our newsletter, it's all there . . . just a key-stroke away. There will soon be an on-line shop and photos and lots of interesting things to see. And your comments are always welcome via the "Contact Us" feature.

LOCAL WINEMAKER SHINES

It was quite a surprise to find a wonderful winery recently, right here in our own backyard. At a Conejo Wine Society wine tasting event several weeks ago, we were delighted to discover Rancho Ventavo Cellars. Founded in 2005 by George Gilpatrick and Faye Hawes, the small wine making operation sits nestled in the hills of Moorpark. The grapes come from vineyards throughout California and the result is some really great wines. In our opinion, the Tempranillo was the standout, fruity and spicy and simply wonderful. This full-bodied red is sure to be their signature wine. The Mourvedre was also yummy, soft and earthy. Both of these wines are available for purchase at Bent. Rancho Ventavo Cellars also offers Merlot, Syrah, Petit Sirah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Cabernet Franc, Pinot Noir and a special blend they call Majecc. We were also given a sneak peak, or should I say taste, of a terrific Late Harvest Dessert Wine that is currently still in the barrel and maturing nicely. Watch for this one to be a winner, too.



George and Faye were the most gracious hosts for the wine event. Have a look at their website (www.rvcellars.com) and keep your eyes peeled for their wines. You will not be disappointed.

FEATURED WINE for Spring:

**Rancho Ventavo Cellars
Temperillo**

**5% off during the month
of March and April**