

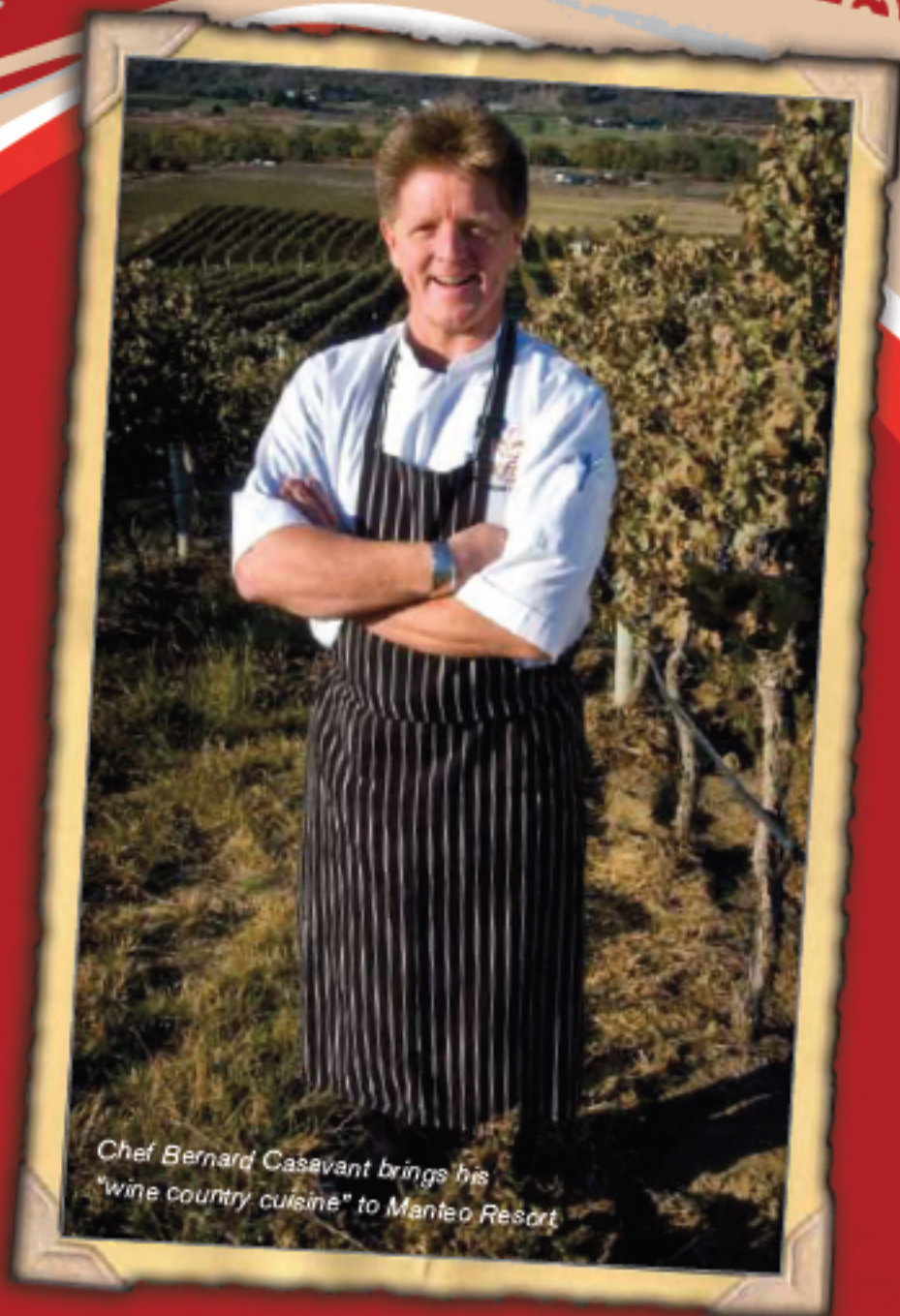
Swirl

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Congratulations to **Sandhill Wines** earning national recognition as **Canada's Winery of the Year** by *Wine Access* magazine. Master winemaker **Howard Soon** has practiced his craft on behalf of Sandhill Wines and Calona Vineyards, now owned by Andrew Peller Ltd., for almost 30 years with a virtual pirate's chest of medals and trophies as a result of his talent.

Summerhill Pyramid Winery captured the title of **Canadian Winery of the Year** at the prestigious International Spirit and Wine Competition in London, England. Well-known Okanagan winemaker **Erik Von Krosigk** is behind Summerhill's organic commitment to producing award-winning wines.

Narrowing the award territory to our own valley, the Okanagan Fall Wine Festival judging panel recognized **Painted Rock Estate Winery**, Okanagan Falls as **Best New Winery** for 2009.



Chef Bernard Casevant brings his "wine country cuisine" to Manteo Resort

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