

Winemaker shifts from Lava Cap to Iron Hub

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Memo to fans of El Dorado County wine, in particular those of Lava Cap Winery: Tom Jones hasn't retired, he's just moved south.

For nearly three decades, Jones was winemaker at Lava Cap, founded by his parents on Apple Hill outside Placerville in the early 1980s.

But in 2013 he and his wife, Beth Goodlin-Jones, sold their interest in the winery and began to scout for a place where he could resume winemaking.

They found it the next year, Amador Foothill Winery in Amador County's Shenandoah Valley, where owners Ben Zeitman and Katie Quinn were looking to retire.

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