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### **Sacramento Bee names Forefathers as one of the Ten Best Wines of Year**

Sacramento, California. July 19, 2006 - Mike Dunne, in his Dunne on Wine column which appears in the Sacramento Bee recently updated his Top 10 Wines of the Year (so far!) and named the 2004 Forefathers Shiraz as one of his favorite wines of the year. Here is what Mike had to say about Nick Goldschmidt and the artisan wines he produces under his own labels.

***“By day, globetrotting Nick Goldschmidt is executive winemaker for Beam Wine Estates. The rest of the time he oversees his personal labels, Goldschmidt Vineyards and Forefathers Wine. For Forefathers, he seeks out choice vineyards in appellations recognized for doing especially well by specific varietals, such as sauvignon blanc in New Zealand's Marlborough district. The fruit for his shiraz comes from a 15-acre vineyard in South Australia's McLaren Vale. It could be the most aromatic wine I'll smell all year, shot through with tantalizing hints of blueberries, eucalyptus, licorice, cedar and oak. On the palate, it's all silk, with subdued tannins and breezy acidity. This is one lush yet lively shiraz, drinkable now but with the structure and balance to age confidently for several more years”.***

Forefathers Shiraz, Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Sauvignon are all single vineyard, single varietal wines that showcase premier vineyard sites throughout the new world wine growing regions. Proprietor and Winemaker, Nick Goldschmidt, is passionately committed to producing small lots of handmade, artisan wines that allow this select group of vineyard sites to express their uniqueness and individuality.

Goldschmidt Vineyards is based in Healdsburg California and is the producer of both Goldschmidt Vineyard Wines and the highly acclaimed Forefathers Wines. All of the wines produced under Goldschmidt Vineyards are single vineyard, single varietal wines that Nick and Yolyn Goldschmidt have personally crafted from carefully selected vineyard sites throughout the new world. Goldschmidt Vineyards and Forefathers Wines are distributed exclusively to fine wine purveyors and selected restaurants. For availability and pricing please contact our Director of Sales and Marketing, John Helfrick.

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