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### **Bashas' Family of Stores Acquires Sportsman's Fine Wines**

CHANDLER, ARIZ. – Bashas' Family of Stores welcomes a like-minded business to the company's variety of banners - Sportsman's Fine Wine and Spirits.

As of Monday, January 29, the three Sportsman's locations, and their wine storage facility, will become Bashas' newest division.

Sportsman's has been in the Phoenix area since the early 1950s when "Pops" Wilkinson opened a small liquor store at 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Camelback. That was the edge of town back then, and Sportsman's catered to the fisherman who needed to buy a six-pack of beer, renew a fishing license or purchase a Styrofoam cooler on his way to his favorite fishing hole.

New owners took over in the 1960s, when the décor took on a baseball and horseracing theme. Ownership changed again in 1987, and for the last 20 years the three Sportsman's locations have enjoyed an award-winning, upscale reputation for their fine wines and spirits. The Sportsman's Wine Bar offers quality sandwiches, appetizers and fresh salads, as well as catering and takeout.

As a vital part of the Bashas' Family of Stores, Sportsman's will continue to grow and prosper, providing its customers with only the finest offerings from around the world, combined with the ultimate in customer service.

Sportsman's locations include 3205 E. Camelback Road in Phoenix; 6685 W. Beardsley in Glendale; and 10802 N. Scottsdale Road in Scottsdale. We have also acquired their storage building, AZ Wine Centre, at 15955 N. Dial Boulevard in Scottsdale.

Bashas' is an Arizona-based, family-owned and -operated grocery chain established in Chandler in 1932. For more information, visit [www.bashas.com](http://www.bashas.com). The company also operates AJ's Fine Foods, Food City, Eddie's Country Store and Bashas' Dine stores on the Navajo Nation.

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