

Announcement from Knutson's Country Harvest To All of our clients and customers.

Knutson's Country Harvest was started in the early 1990's with the help of our parents. In 1994 my father, Robert Knutson and I built our house and in 1995 constructed our pond. Karen's father, Ray Hodge, was instrumental in the starting of the orchard in 1996 and many of the original recipes for the products we still make today. We started with some apple and peach trees and a few products doing farmer's markets and a small tent by the road in front of our house. As they grew, our 3 sons, Nathan, Noah and Neal have all joined in along with our staffs over the years, have all helped us build this. After a while we converted a small part of our shed to be our store. We soon outgrew that space and in 2007 had our current store built that included a commercial kitchen and have expanded our product lines.

We go over this short history to announce that we have decided to sell Knutson's Country Harvest. We will be **OPEN** our normal hours during this time. We plan to take our time in this process with the goal of finding new owners that will continue what has been started and expand it. We are very proud of where it is now, but there is much more room to grow. Then we will provide any training and guidance to make this transition as easy as possible.

While not easy, this decision is based on several things:

- Our 3 sons are all out of high school and have their own paths in front of them.
- Both of our fathers have now passed away, we want more time to be with our mothers.
- I have had the pleasure and privilege to go on short term mission trips to Haiti and Guatamala to setup and teach hydroponics. We want to be available for more of these and be able to go together.
- Then at some point we will be moving near Austin Tx to "semi-retire".

We want to sincerely express a huge **Thank you** to all of our customers from all over the world over these years it has been so much fun meeting and talking to you.

Again our U-Pick and store will be **OPEN** and our wholesale accounts will continue to be delivered during this time.

If you are interested in the property and businesses, you can contact;
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