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Pennsylvania Tourism & Lodging Association Announces the Finalists and Recipients of the 2010 Spirit of Hospitality Awards

The PA Tourism & Lodging Association (PTLA) held its Annual Spirit of Hospitality Awards Reception and Dinner on April 26, 2010, at the Sheraton Harrisburg - Hershey Hotel. These prestigious awards recognize exceptional performance, commitment and achievements in the hospitality and tourism industry throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The presentations were made by: J. Mickey Rowley, Deputy Secretary, Tourism Film & Marketing, PA Department of Community and Economic Development; and James Purdum, CHA, General Manager, Penn State Hospitality Services, The Pennsylvania State University and Chairman of the PTLA Board of Directors.

The recipients and finalists of the 2010 Spirit of Hospitality Awards are:

2010 Teacher of the Year

Recipient: Donna Harris, Columbia Montour Area Vocational Technical School

2010 Student of the Year

Recipient: James Salisbury, Temple University

2010 Community Service Award

Recipient: Adopt a Family, Hershey Lodge

Finalist: Hospitality for Life, Hilton Garden Inn Lancaster

Finalist: Martin Luther King Fund Drive, VisitPittsburgh

2010 Associate Member of the Year

Recipient: Philadelphia OIC, Inc

2010 Innkeeper of the Year

Recipient: Denise Fegan, Pheasant Field Bed & Breakfast

Finalist: Matthew Knol, Golden Plough Inn at Peddler's Village

2010 General Manager of the Year

Recipient: Robert Howell, The Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort

Finalist: Tim McGlothlin, The Priory Hotel

Finalist: Noreen O'Boyle, Holiday Inn Express

2010 Department Manager of the Year

Recipient: Recipient: Laurie McEvoy, Woodloch Resort

Finalist: Scott Comport, Hershey Lodge

Finalist: Stephanie Legros, Loews Philadelphia Hotel

2010 Guest Relations Award

Recipient: Dutch Wonderland Ambassador Program,

Finalist: Best Western Eden Resort's Guest Relations Program

Finalist: Patrice Collins, Sheraton Station Square Hotel

2010 Lodging Employee of the Year

Recipient: Bessie Greene, Hilton Inn at Penn

Finalist: David Jones, Hilton Harrisburg

Finalist: Kathy Simons, Nemacolin Woodlands Resort & Spa

The 2010 Spirit of Hospitality Awards Reception and Dinner was sponsored by Black Consulting Services, Dauphin County Lodging Association, Greater Pittsburgh Hotel Association, Mazza Vineyards, Sheraton Harrisburg - Hershey Hotel, and Superior Drapery.

The PA Tourism & Lodging Association is a private, non-profit, membership-based association that exists to advocate, support, promote and enhance the tourism and lodging industry within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It provides lobbying, education and professional development opportunities, information and other resources as well as value-adding services to its members to ensure their—and the industry's—ongoing growth and success.

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