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Leisure Hotels Annual Meeting honors property managers and staff

(LEAWOOD, KS) -- The February Annual Meeting of Leisure Hotels honored the management of multiple properties with awards recognizing employee retention, market share index and improvement, and outstanding sales and management.

Leisure's Dodge City, Kansas, Holiday Inn Express, located at 2320 W. Wyatt Earp and managed by GM Shelley Shaw, was recognized for employee retention and flow through, and Ms. Shaw was awarded the Rookie General Manager of the Year award.

Wichita, Kansas, Hawthorn Suites, managed by Heather Brown and located at 2405 N. Ridge Road, was awarded an employee retention award, a market share improvement award, as well as a Purple Heart Award recognizing outstanding efforts toward excellence.

The Garden City, Kansas, Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, managed by Linda Schlegel, was recognized for market share index and flow through, with its flow through ranking being both most improved in the Leisure system and Leisure's highest ranking. Ms. Schlegel was recognized as one of two Leisure General Managers of the Year. The Garden City Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites is located at 2502 E. Kansas Avenue.

Managed by Jeremy Selvedge, the Hutchinson, Kansas, Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites, located at 1601 Super Plaza, was recognized with a market share index award and an award recognizing gross operating profits.

Hawthorn Suites in Ruidoso, New Mexico, was recognized for market share index. Managed by Steve Tally and located at 107 Sierra Blanca, the Ruidoso Hawthorn Suites also boasted two awards for the Directors of Sales of the Year going to Rachel Burrus and Bruce Timson.

Debra Mundt, General Manager of the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Hawthorn Suites, located at 4444 NE Czech Lane, received one of Leisure's two General Manager of the Year Awards, and the hotel was also recognized for market share improvement.

Managed by Dana Webb, the Merriam, Kansas, Hampton Inn & Suites, was recognized for flow through and as the most improved in gross operating profit, received a Purple Heart Award, and its

Director of Sales, Talena Welsh, was recognized as Rookie Director of Sales for the year. The Merriam Hampton Inn & Suites is located at 7400 W. Frontage Road.

Other property recognitions included employee retention awards for the Columbia Holiday Inn Express, 801 Keene Street, Columbia, Missouri, managed by Ned Hamadto and the Dodge City Super 8, located at 2308 W. Wyatt Earp. Gross operating profit awards recognized the Branson Hotel Grand Victorian, Branson, Missouri, 2325 W. Highway 76, managed by Jim Diehl, and the Ulysses Single Tree Inn, 2033 W. Oklahoma, Ulysses, Kansas, managed by Avis Gibbons. A market share improvement award was given to the Manhattan, Kansas, Hampton Inn, 501 E. Poyntz.

Additional Purple Heart Awards were extended to the Cobblestone Inn and Suites, 275 Tanger Blvd., Branson, Missouri, managed by Anne Marquis, and Chateau Avalon, 701 Village West Parkway, Kansas City, Kansas, managed by Dana Baith.

Honored with a first-ever Leisure Hotels Lifetime Achievement Award was Regional Vice President, Ned Delk. Delk, who retired from Leisure the beginning of this year, joined the company as Regional Vice President of Hotel Operations in September of 1999. In addition to his tenure at Leisure, Delk had nearly 30 years of experience in the hospitality industry, including having served as General Manager of numerous full-service 200 plus room hotels and multi-unit manager for Larken Hotels and the Remington Hotel Corporation. His skills in strong organizational team building and getting the job done right the first time were recognized by the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Leisure Hotels & Resorts is a third-party management group that operates as a division of Kansas-based Leisure Group of Companies, which specializes in hotel and convention center development, construction management, brokerage services and hotel management in the resort, extended stay and full service markets. Employing more than 800 people, Leisure is one of the industry's fastest growing multi-faceted full service hotel companies in the United States with corporate offices in the Kansas City Metro area and in Hutchinson, Kansas. Using the latest in technological developments, Leisure Hotels & Resorts provides hotels with complete operational and financial services, as well as extensive human resource training and development. Leisure is consistently recognized among the top owners/developers and management companies in the nation by leading industry publications.

Leisure Hotels, LLC manages twenty-four (24) hotels in Kansas, Colorado, Iowa, Missouri, New Mexico and Texas. It operates a variety of well-known franchise branded hotels from Intercontinental Hotels, Hilton Hotels and US Franchise Systems. Additional Leisure managed properties are set to open in Colorado, Minnesota and Texas this year. For additional information about the Leisure Group of Companies and its services, visit the company's website at www.leisurehotel.com or contact the company directly at 913-905-1460.

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