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## **Airport Revenue News (ARN) Announces Winners of 2007 Best Concessions Awards**

**Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, March 6, 2007...**Airport Revenue News (ARN) announced the 2007 winners of its prestigious annual Best Concessions Awards at its annual Airport Revenue Conference & Exhibition, held this year in Orlando, FL. The awards ceremony recognizing excellence in the airport concessions industry was held at the Hard Rock Live coliseum at Universal City Walk. The awards and ceremony were the culmination of three successful days of exhibiting, networking and learning at ARN's Airport Revenue Conference & Exhibition.

For the twelfth year in a row the results, to be published in the March 2007 issue of ARN as well as posted to the ARN website, reflect the industry's choice for the best concessions programs and the best concessionaires of the year in U.S. airports.

"Receiving an ARN award is difficult because every year the competition between airport programs and companies doing business in airports becomes ever more intense," says Pauline Armbrust, president & CEO for Armbrust Aviation Group, which publishes Airport Revenue News. "The airports and companies recognized as the best in this competition are doing outstanding work and raising the standards of excellence in this dynamic industry."

As always, this year's judges were chosen for their broad-based expertise and knowledge about concessions. The judges are separated into two groups: Concessionaire judges vote for nominees in airport program categories; airport judges vote for stores and restaurant nominees in concessionaire categories. The nominees were selected by readers in an earlier process because of their noticeably high standards of excellence in a variety of categories.

Below are the 2007 winners of ARN's Best Concessions Awards.

Airport Revenue News (ARN) is a monthly trade magazine devoted to coverage of all revenue generating issues affecting the airport industry. The publication is the foremost news and information resource for airport executives, concessionaires, consultants and others involved in the aviation industry.

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### **Winners of ARN's 2007 Best Airport Concessions Awards** **AIRPORTS**

#### **Large Airport Division**

Minneapolis-St. Paul International *Airport with the Best Concessions Program Design*

Orlando International *Airport with the Best Customer Service*

Dallas-Ft. Worth International *Airport with the Best Concessions Management Team*

LaGuardia Airport *Airport with the Best Concessions Management Team*

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County *Airport with the Most Unique Services*

Minneapolis-St. Paul International *Airport with the Best Overall Concessions Program*

**Medium Airport Division**

Pittsburgh International *Airport with the Best Concessions Program Design*

Ronald Reagan Washington National *Airport with the Best Customer Service*

Ronald Reagan Washington National *Airport with the Best Concessions Management Team*

Pittsburgh International *Airport with the Most Unique Services*

Baltimore-Washington International *Airport with the Best Overall Concessions Program*

**Small Airport Division**

Southwest Florida International *Airport with the Best Concessions Program Design*

Jacksonville International *Airport with the Best Customer Service*

Richmond International *Airport with the Best Concessions Management Team*

Southwest Florida International *Airport with the Best Concessions Management Team*

Austin-Bergstrom International *Airport with the Most Unique Services*

Palm Beach International *Airport with the Best Overall Concessions Program (two-way tie)*

Southwest Florida International *Airport with the Best Overall Concessions Program (two-way tie)*

**Single Terminal Division**

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County – McNamara Terminal *Terminal with the Best Concessions Program Design*

Dallas-Ft. Worth International – Terminal D *Terminal with the Best Customer Service*

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County – McNamara Terminal *Terminal with the Best Concessions Management Team (two-way tie)*

LaGuardia Airport – Central Terminal Building *Terminal with the Best Concessions Management Team (two-way tie)*

Dallas-Ft. Worth International – Terminal D *Terminal with the Most Unique Services*

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County – McNamara Terminal *Terminal with the Best Overall Concessions Program*

**CONCESSIONAIRES**

**LARGE RETAILER DIVISION**

The Hudson Group *Best New Specialty Retail Concept (for Made In Washington), Best News & Gift Operator,*

The Paradies Shops *Retailer with the Highest Regard for Customer Service, Best Specialty Retail Brand Operator, Best Overall Retailer*

Brooks Brother (The Paradies Shops) *Best Retail Store Design*

Cold Stone Creamery, Fuddrucker's, and The Irish Guinness Pub *Best New Food & Beverage Concept (three-way tie)*

Famous Famiglia *Food Operator with the Highest Regard for Customer Service, Best Overall Food & Beverage Operator*

Anthony's Seafood *Best Restaurant Design*

HMSHost *Best Food & Beverage Brand Operator*

**SMALL RETAILER DIVISION**

Fireworks *Best New Specialty Retail Concept and Best Retail Store Design*

ZoomSystems *Best New Specialty Retail Concept*

XpresSpa *Retailer with the Highest Regard for Customer Service*

Delstar Group *Best News & Gift Operator*

L'Occitane *Best Specialty Retail Brand Operator, Best Overall Retailer*

Taxco Sterling *Best Overall Retailer (tied with L'Occitane)*  
Legal's Test Kitchen *Best New Food & Beverage Concept*  
Vino Volo *Food Operator with the Highest Regard for Customer Service*  
Fig's *Best Restaurant Design*  
Legal Sea Foods *Best Food & Beverage Brand Operator*  
OTG *Best Overall Food & Beverage Operator*  
CBR, Inc. *Best DBE Operator*