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The Buffalo State College Hospitality and Tourism Department Presents our...

18TH AMBASSADOR AWARDS

 CAMPUS HOUSE

Burchfield Penney Art Center Auditorium
Wednesday, April 18th, 2012
5:30 pm



 YEAR
OF THE
ARTS
BUFFALO STATE

2012 RECIPIENTS

Edward J. Healy, *Vice President of Marketing*
Visit Buffalo Niagara

Krista Van Wagner, *Owner*
Curly's Grill & Banquet Center

Daniel P. Garvey, *Director of Food & Beverage*
The Roycroft Inn

PAST RECIPIENTS

2011 Recipients

James M. Bedard III
President, Buffalo Hotel Supply Co.

Frances Siu Lan Tyau, M.A.
Associate Professor, Buffalo State College

Bob Syracuse, *President*
Pizza Plant Italian Pub

2010 Recipients

Pano Georgiadis, *Owner/Operator*
Panos Restaurant

Tom Tower, *Owner/Operator*
Tom Tower's Farm Market

Cheryl Zanghi, *Director of Services*
Buffalo Niagara Convention and Visitors Bureau

2009 Recipients

Culinary Team
Wegmans Amherst Street Store

Mr. Ted Pietrzak, *Director*
Burchfield Penney Art Center

Tom Lombardo, *Proprietor/Owner*
Ristorante Lombardo

2008 Recipients

Ms. Renee Di Flavio, *Vice President,*
Education and Employment, Director,
Statler Center for Careers in Hospitality

Mr. Donald Warfe,
Restaurateur and Entrepreneur

Mr. Patrick W. Welch, *Director*
Veterans Services, Erie County, New York

2007 Recipients

Mr. Timothy Minahan, *CCM, GM*
Country Club of Buffalo

Mr. Geno and Ms. Diana Principe,
Proprietors, The Mansion on Delaware

Mr. James Weimer, *Principal*
Buffalo Public Schools
Emerson High School

2006 Recipients

Mr. John Connors, *Vice President*
AAA Western and Central New York

Mr. Kevin Cottrell, *Owner & Operator*
Motherland Connexions

Mr. Howard Zemsky, *President*
Taurus Partners LLC

2005 Recipients

Mary Lou Rath
New York State Senator

2004 Recipients

Paul A. Tokasz
New York State Assemblyman

Burt Notarius, *Owner*
Premier Group

2003 Recipients

Mark F. Halter, *President*
Kissing Bridge Corporation

David P. Hart, *President & CEO*
Hart Hotels, Inc.

David P. Lacki, *CTP, CTI,*
Director of Tourism, Visitor Development
Greater Buffalo Convention & Visitors Bureau

2002 Recipients

Dennis DiPaolo, *Owner/Operator*
Ilio DiPaolo's Restaurant

Mel Florczak, *Past Director*
Buffalo Convention Center

Raul Sartini, *Retired Club Manager*
Brookfield Country Club

2001 Recipients

Daniel R. Franklin, *General Manager*
The Buffalo Club

Irwin Pastor, *President*
Pepsi-Cola Buffalo Bottling Corp.

Stan Rydelek, *President*
Niagara Falls Convention & Visitors Bureau

2000 Recipients

Marguerite (Dispenza) Hambleton
President, CEO
AAA Central and Western New York

Jeremy M. Jacobs, Jr.
Executive Vice President
Delaware North Companies

Janet Overdorf, *Interim Director*
Southtowns Nutritional Services
Department, Mercy/OLV Hospital

1999 Recipients

Richard S. Geiger, *President/CEO*
Buffalo Convention & Visitors Bureau

Robert E. Rich, Jr., *President*
Rich Products Corporation

Donald P. Spasiano, *Chairman*
Department of Food Service
Administration/Restaurant Management, ECC

1998 Recipients

Frank Gennuso, *V.P. Equipment & Design*
BHS Design Group, Buffalo Hotel Supply

Jean McDonnell Covelli, *President*
The Travel Team, Inc.

Linda Mocny, *Food Service Director*
Mount St. Mary's

1997 Recipients

Robert Blanchard, *Chair*
Hospitality Department
Johnson & Wales University

Ilio DiPaolo *Restaurant and Ringside Lounge*

Russell Salvatore, *Owner*
Salvatore's Italian Gardens

1996 Recipients

Mark La Martina, *President*
US Food Service

Rudi Rainer, *General Manager*
Radisson Hotels

Mark Wright, *Chief Executive Chef*
Transit Valley Country Club

1995 Recipients

James Bedard, *President*
Buffalo Hotel Supply Co., Inc.

Louis Billitier, *Owner*
Chef's Restaurant

James Geiger, *President*
Four Seasons/Country Kitchens

*Ambassador Award Wine Dinner
April 18, 2012*

• *MENU*

Hand Passed hor D'oeuvres:

*Assorted mini Waldorf salad lettuce canapés
Chilled curried spring pea soup shooters*

Wine:

Quattro Mani Franciacorta Brut, Lombardy, Italy, N.V.

STATIONS:

Carving

*Prime rib roast with assorted mini rolls, onion and rhubarb chutney,
horseradish and au jus*

Wine:

*Long Meadow Ranch House Red, Napa Valley C.A., 2008
Quinta do Crasto Douro Red, Portugal, 2008*

Pasta

*Stuffed tortelloni, fresh garlic, olive oil, sautéed banana peppers, roasted
cherry tomatoes and Italian cheeses*

Wine:

Soleto Primitivo, Puglia, Italy, 2010

Tapas

*Spring Caprese bruschetta, imported cheeses, dried fruits and nuts,
eggplant caponata stuffed summer squash, and Chorizo and corn empanadas*

Wine:

Anne Amie Cuvee "A" Rose de Pinot Noir, Oregon, 2011

Seafood

Shrimp cocktail, sushi, oysters on the half shell and crab claws

Wine:

*Velenosi Pecorino Villa Angelo, Marche, Italy, 2010
Kühling- Gillot Riesling Quinterra. Rheinhessen, Germany, 2010*

Dessert

Assorted mini cakes, tarts, pastries, chocolate fondue and crème brulee

Wine:

Averna Citrus Sambuca