

Media Release

Village of Cary Announces Third Year of Commerce & Industry Awards Program

Cary, (December 13, 2007): Mayor Lamal and the Village of Cary have announced the availability of nomination forms for the Cary Commerce & Industry Awards Program. The Program is designed to recognize local businesses that make a significant positive impact on the Village. The Village will award at least three Cary Commerce and Industry Awards to local businesses. The awards include the *New Development Architectural Award*, *Rehabilitation/Improvement Award*, and *Community Economic Impact Award*.

The *New Development Architectural Award* will be presented to a new commercial/industrial development that meets the following criteria: Exemplary architectural design and/or use of building material; the improved design or layout of a site with a committed attempt to maintain the feeling of open/green space on the site; and/or the enhancement of a site with landscaping and/or the preservation of existing trees/landscaping.

The *Rehabilitation/Improvement Award* will be presented to businesses that have made improvements to an existing commercial/industrial structure or area which meets the following criteria: Improvements which enhance the exterior of the building consistent with the area in which it is located, and/or landscaping enhancements to a commercial/industrial site.

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The *Community Economic Impact Award* will be presented to a new or existing business that has positively impacted the community with jobs or other economic stimuli.

Anyone in Cary is invited to nominate a business that they feel is deserving of a Commerce & Industry Award. Blank nomination forms can be picked up at the Cary Village Hall, and completed forms should be returned to the Village Hall by 5:00 PM on December 21, 2007. The winners will be announced in January of 2008. For additional information about the program or to request a nomination form, please call Cameron Davis or Ashley Kleckner at Village Hall, (847) 639-0003.

"We are excited to recognize those businesses that play an integral role in making Cary a wonderful place to live and do business," stated Mayor Steve Lamal. "I encourage all residents and members of the Cary business community to nominate the businesses that they feel are deserving of these awards."

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