



Grand Hotel & Resort in Point Clear, Alabama General Manager Named Marriott GM of the Year

David Clark, GM of the Point Clear, Alabama resort, named top General Manager by Marriott International

Point Clear, AL (PRWEB) July 17, 2009 -- From greeting guests by name to building on the traditions of the historic Grand Hotel, David Clark knows the 550 acres of the resort in Point Clear, Alabama (<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ptlal-grand-hotel-marriott-resort-golf-club-and-spa/>) backwards and forwards. Clark was recently named General Manager of the Year for Marriott International's Franchise Hotels. He also was honored for the hotel's Food & Beverage excellence, as well as exceptional guest satisfaction. Clark joined the Grand Hotel Marriott Resort, Golf Club & Spa in 1987 and helped the Point Clear, Alabama resort's extensive recovery after Hurricane Katrina. The Marriott Grand Beach Resort and Hotel overlooks Mobile Bay and is part of the Resort Collection on Alabama's Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail (<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/hotel-information/golf-courses/ptlal-grand-hotel-marriott-resort-golf-club-and-spa/>), which is owned by the Retirement Systems of Alabama.

"Winning three top awards from Marriott is quite an honor," said Clark. "Our more than 600 associates make this resort come alive. Through their efforts and the support of the Retirement Systems of Alabama, the Grand Hotel is now grander than ever," said Clark. "Of the 330 full-service Marriott Hotels in North America, we are currently ranked #3 for overall satisfaction and #1 in several categories, including our spa. Between the Grand Hotel and the other hotels and resorts in the RTJ Resort Collection, meeting planners and leisure guests are now looking at Alabama as a destination alternative and are thrilled at what they discover."

Presented in late June, the entire Resort Collection did very well in the international Marriott and Renaissance Awards competition. The Auburn/Opelika Marriott at Grand National won Marriott Franchise Hotel of the Year and also received honors for most improved market share and community service. Steve Miller, general manager at Renaissance Ross Bridge Golf Resort & Spa won GM of the Year for Renaissance franchise hotels, plus awards for Food & Beverage Excellence and sales leadership. The Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa won Marriott awards for customer excellence and problem experienced excellence. "Collectively, the hotels and resorts on the RTJ Golf Trail won 11 major awards, which is unheard of in this industry," said Clark.

For more information on the Grand Hotel Marriott Resort, Golf Club & Spa, visit the Grand Hotel and Beach Resort in Point Clear, Alabama on the web at <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ptlal-grand-hotel-marriott-resort-golf-club-and-spa/> or www.pchresorts.com. The resort opened in 1847 and features 405 guest rooms plus 37,000 square feet of meeting space. The Grand Hotel also is part of the RTJ Spa Trail.

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