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Industry Leaders Join Candy Hall of Fame

Tampa, FL — Industry leaders making major contributions to the confectionery industry were honored with induction into the Candy Hall of Fame in Tampa, FL, on Saturday, October 23.

At a black-tie event attended by more than 200 of their peers, family and friends, the inductees were:

Robert Bandel, Mars Chocolate North America (Retired);
Cornelis Boon, BENEIO-Palatinit, Inc.;
Russell Crosio, Crosio & Associates, Inc.;
Patricia Green, The Chocolate Tree, Inc.;
Reginald Groves, Groves & Co.;
Gary Guittard, Guittard Chocolate Co.;
Frederick Hintlian, Varick Enterprises, Inc.;
Pat Magee, P Magee Enterprises;
Eric Ostrow, Ce De Candy, Inc.;
Thomas Pagano, Ferrara Pan Candy Co., Inc.;
Edward Seguine, Mars Chocolate North America
Thomas Zucca, L.J. Zucca, Inc.

The 2010 inductees earned Candy Hall of Fame honors for both their career and community service, which was featured in a dramatic a/v presentation during the induction banquet.

“Their achievements are now enshrined forever in the Candy Hall of Fame,” explains Alastair Northway, President of the National Confectionery Sales Association, which administers the Candy Hall of Fame.

Each honoree was presented with a commemorative plaque and their career and personal details are now available online at www.candyhalloffame.org.

The inductees join other category leaders including Milton Hershey, Andrew Heide, Jack Shaffer, William Wrigley, Jr., Salvatore and Nello Ferrara, Spaulding Goetze, and Jim Gagliarducci.

In addition, the NCSA posthumously inducted industry pioneers Eduard Haas III, of PEZ Candy, Inc., and Joseph Terry, of Terry’s of York, at the annual event, held at the Tampa Renaissance Hotel International Plaza, October 22 to 24.

For more details on the NCSA and the Candy Hall of Fame, visit candyhalloffame.org.

Editor's Note: Photos available upon request.

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About the National Confectionery Sales Association

The National Confectionery Sales Association, formed in 1899, is dedicated to furthering positive growth and acceptance of confectionery products, and recognizing the achievements of category leaders from all sectors of the international industry. The association also administers the Candy Hall of Fame, which was founded in 1971 and recognizes lifetime career achievements in the confectionery industry, with induction based on dedication to the overall betterment of the industry.