## DENALI HOTEL PROPERTIES



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## **Denali Hotel Properties Ready to Open with New Awards!**

**Anchorage, Alaska** – It's a sure sign of spring when Alaska's seasonal properties open for the season! The Grande Denali Lodge opens for guest arrivals on May 14, the Denali Bluffs Hotel and RiverView at the Bluffs open on May 21.

It has already been an eventful season for the Grande Denali Lodge and the Denali Bluffs Hotel. The properties and staff have been recognized with several awards during the off-season, including Highest Rated Dinner and Highest Rated Lodge Experience by John Hall's Alaska. The Alaska Hotel and Lodging Association (AkH&LA) recognized the Denali Bluffs Hotel as Outstanding Member Property of the Year for 2017 for properties of 150 rooms or more at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Stars of the Industry Awards. Ed Stanley received the Housekeeping Manager of the Year Award for his service overseeing housekeeping staff at the Denali Bluffs Hotel.

A United States Army Veteran, Ed Stanley has worked at various properties in Alaska for 19 years, from Seward to Denali. "Ed is a terrific member of our team, and his role as Housekeeping Manager is essential to the service that we strive to achieve for our guests," said Joe Merrill, Vice President of Tourism for Old Harbor Native Corporation. "We are delighted that his hard work has been recognized by our peers at the Alaska Hotel and Lodging Association."

"We have been steadily and systematically improving the guest experience at our properties, and having the Denali Bluffs Hotel named the Outstanding Member Property of the Year is very rewarding. From the original Hillside rooms to the new RiverView addition, we are proud that the quality of our lodgings in Denali is noted by AkH&LA with these awards," said Tennelle Wise, General Manager of the Denali Bluffs Hotel.

The Denali Bluffs Hotel original rooms and buildings have been remodeled systematically over the last few years, including entirely new furnishings and new exterior decking. In 2017, the RiverView at the Bluffs opened, bringing 64 new premium rooms on line.

The properties feature magnificent views of the surrounding areas from their natural settings on the slopes of Sugarloaf Mountain and offer special discount offers to members of the military, Alaska residents, members of

AARP and AAA throughout the season. For reservations and information, visit our website: www.denalialaska.com or call us at: 855-683-8600.

Denali Hotel Properties -- Grande Denali Lodge and Denali Bluffs Hotel -- are open seasonally from mid-May to mid-September. The properties include 336 guest rooms plus 6 private cabins, the Alpenglow Restaurant & Lounge, the Mountaineer Grill & Bar, the Peak Espresso Stand and the Perky Moose Pantry & Cafe.

Denali Hotel Properties are authentically Alaskan owned and operated by Old Harbor Native Corporation.

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L-R, Ed Stanley, Housekeeping Manager of the Year, Denali Bluffs Hotel
Tennelle Wise, GM of the Denali Bluffs Hotel and the RiverView at the Bluffs
Ricky Fader, Assistant Maintenance Manager, Denali Bluffs Hotel
AkH&LA Stars of the Industry 2017
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