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**Vent-A-Hood Celebrates Record Year, Provides Sneak Preview of Upcoming Models,  
Inducts Members Into Vent-A-Hood Hall of Fame at National Distributors' Conference  
In Scottsdale, Ariz.**

Richardson, Texas – Vent-A-Hood, the company that created the modern residential range hood, recently held its annual national distributors' conference at The Hermosa Inn, in Scottsdale, Ariz., and welcomed 45 people to discuss the latest Vent-A-Hood news, to review plans for 2004, and to receive several awards.

"This has been a record-breaking year for Vent-A-Hood, and we had a lot to share with our distributors who have played such a key role in heightening our brand to new levels in the marketplace," said Blake Woodall, director of sales for Vent-A-Hood.

Three distributors were inducted into the newly-created Vent-A-Hood Hall of Fame at a special ceremony during the conference.

- Bob Bergstrom and Dick Bergstrom, of V-A-H Marketing, in Buena Park, Calif., were honored for their company's service and dedication as a Vent-A-Hood distributor for more than 50 years, the oldest distributor in the company's national network. Established by their father Bill Bergstrom, V-A-H Marketing rapidly grew over the years to include product distribution across the entire state of California and parts of Nevada. Today, the Bergstroms oversee two V-A-H Marketing locations and a large staff that works with high-end dealers and designers who use Vent-A-Hood products in the most luxurious homes along the West Coast.
- Larry Carter and Tommy Carter, of Vent-A-Hood of Georgia, were honored for their company's distribution success for more than 40 years. The company was established in Atlanta by their father Bob Carter and now services dealers throughout Georgia and Alabama. Vent-A-Hood of Georgia is consistently one of the nation's leaders for Vent-A-

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Hood distribution each year.

- Hal Guyer and Randy Guyer, of Shady Oak Distributing, in Hopkins, Minn., were honored for more than 40 years of services to Vent-A-Hood. Following in their father Lee Guyer's footsteps, Hal and Randy assumed the company and perfected the high-end appliance distribution business, ensuring the family legacy as a leader in the marketplace for Minneapolis, Wisconsin, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Vent-A-Hood also gave out 2003 achievement awards to the following distributors.

- Larry Parks, sales manager of Interwest Distributing, in Tempe, Ariz., was honored for excellence in territory coverage and service to Arizona, New Mexico and parts of Nevada and West Texas. Parks has greatly increased his staff and built his relationship with the leading dealers in his market.
- Craig Friedman, Marty Friedman, and Marty Gillow of Eastern Marketing, in Roseland, N.J., were recognized for the placement of 93 Vent-A-Hood display stands at leading dealers in their territory. In just 18 months, Eastern Marketing has increased Vent-A-Hood's presence in Connecticut, (metropolitan) New York, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Delaware, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maryland and parts of Virginia with the latest range hood designs from the company in a proprietary stand for high-end showrooms.
- David Zisman, Richard Kaplan, and Mauri Wyzan of Dynamic Distributors, in Miami, Fla., were honored for securing a large multi-unit order. Dynamic secured a purchase of more than 200 high-end range hoods from one condominium developer, marking a new record for the Florida distributor and helping the manufacturer meet its 2003 goals for the territory.

Other highlights of the conference included updates for consumer advertising, new hood models and the 50,000 square-foot plant expansion in 2004. In addition, distributors were trained on the online ordering system that Vent-A-Hood will launch nationally for streamlined production and fulfillment of a majority of its high-volume range hood models in stock inventory.

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“The conference was a wonderful success in celebrating some major accomplishments for Vent-A-Hood and our entire distributor network,” Woodall said. “In addition to recognizing our 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary and acknowledging tremendous growth in orders and production, we unveiled some very important things that will allow us to continue to build on our momentum in 2004.”

About Vent-A-Hood:

Founded in 1933, Vent-A-Hood, based in Richardson, Texas, is the oldest manufacturer of residential range hoods in America. Each product manufactured by Vent-A-Hood is individually engineered for performance in addition to style. Vent-A-Hood products are sold in all 50 states as well as Canada. For more information, please visit [www.ventahood.com](http://www.ventahood.com).

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