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**Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association Awards  
Ehrhardt Keefe Steiner & Hottman, PC Accounting Firm  
with its 2011 Galen Drake Allied Member of the Year Award**

October 24 – The Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association (CHLA) CHLA announced its Allied Partner of 2011 at its recent conference at the Broadmoor. Ehrhardt Keefe Steiner & Hottman, PC (EKS&H) Account Firm is the largest Colorado-based certified public accounting firm and has been a member of the CHLA for more than 25 years.

The Allied of the Year award is awarded to outstanding companies who serve not only the lodging industry but also support the association. This prestigious award was actually renamed 15 years ago in tribute to Galen Drake, a partner with the firm who gave tirelessly to the association.

Not only has EKS&H been a Gold Sponsor of the CHLA Annual Conference for the last two years and but they have been participating in CHLA at the strategic partner level and is playing a critical role in supporting the organization through staff changes and internal structural change including a complete overhaul of its accounting software.

It is only fitting that we come full circle and recognize the outstanding efforts of EKS&H this year with the Galen Drake Allied of Year award.

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The Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association has more than 540 members representing more than 40,000 guestrooms throughout the state of Colorado. CH&LA's member properties include romantic bed and breakfast inns, luxury hotels, limited service properties, Colorado ski resorts, Rocky Mountain cabins, rustic guest ranches, relaxing spas, weekend getaway timeshares, and condominium and vacation rental services, ranging in size from three to 1,100 rooms.

The Colorado Hotel & Lodging Association offers visitors the leading searchable database of travel accommodations and vacation lodging in Colorado, from the plains to the Front Range and from the Rocky Mountains to the Western Slope.

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