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Hoffman SummerWood Community Continues to Raise the Bar of Excellence and Wins Three Prestigious Awards

WEST HARTFORD, CT, June 28, 2010 - Hoffman SummerWood Community received a Best of the Best Award from the Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) in the category of Operational Excellence for their "*Recession Survival Strategies – A Puzzling Assignment*" submission. This prestigious award recognizes the very best practices that serve to "raise the bar" for operational excellence. As an ALFA Best of the Best award winner, SummerWood is featured in the May/June issue of *Assisted Living Executive*, and was recognized at the annual AFLA Conference and Expo in Phoenix, Arizona in May, 2010.

Valerie Bartos, SummerWood's Director of Community Relations, was also recognized by ALFA as a 2010 Champion Award winner. The Champion awards annually recognize employees that exemplify extraordinary service to seniors.

Jay Bourret, SummerWood's Facility Manager, was a recipient of the Connecticut Association of Not-for-profit Providers for the Aging (CANPFA) Employee of the Year Award. The award recognizes employees who have exceeded expectations and have gone above and beyond to change someone's life. Jay received his award on May 12, 2010 at the annual CANPFA expo held at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, CT.

Hoffman SummerWood Community is an assisted living community and a member of the Hebrew Health Care family. For more information call Valerie Bartos at 860-523-3808 or visit the website at www.hoffmansummerwood.org.