



**NLBMDA AND HOME CHANNEL NEWS TO HONOR CURTIS LUMBER AND MCDONALD BROTHERS  
AT THE 2008 PRODEALER OF THE YEAR AWARDS DINNER ON OCT. 2, 2008, IN CHANTILLY, VA.**

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Chantilly, Va. (PRWEB) August 1, 2008 – The **National Lumber and Building Material Dealers Association** (NLBMDA) and *Home Channel News* will honor Curtis Lumber as Multi-Unit ProDealer of the Year and McDonald Brothers as Independent ProDealer of the Year at the *2008 ProDealer of the Year Awards Dinner* on Oct. 2, 2008 in Chantilly, Va.

The *2008 ProDealer of the Year Awards Dinner*, sponsored by Weyerhaeuser iLevel, are held in conjunction with the *2008 ProDealer Industry Summit* Oct. 1-3, 2008, in Chantilly, Va. at the Westfields Marriott. Now in their 12th year, the awards have been presented annually by *Home Channel News* to commend excellence in the LBM industry.

“Curtis Lumber and McDonald Brothers deserve recognition for their ability to sustain growth, build relationships and service their customers,” said Ken Clark, editor in chief of *Home Channel News*. “They both have tremendous history, dating back to the 19th century; and both have been equally successful in earning the respect of their peers today.”

Ballston Spa, N.Y.-based Curtis Lumber operates 22 units and showed an 11 percent sales increase on the HCN Top 500 Industry Scoreboard. The company is looking to capture long-term benefits through its acquisition of Gregory Supply.

Five-unit dealer McDonald Brothers, based in Southern Pines, N.C., showed a 14.3 percent sales increase on the *Home Channel News* Top 500 Industry Scoreboard and has achieved success partly by retaining key employees for 20 and 30 year tenures.

“Without a doubt the main reason for our award is the longevity and efforts of our great group of employees,” said Angus McDonald, of McDonald Brothers, as he congratulated his employees and attributed the honor to their efforts.

The *2008 ProDealer of the Year Awards Reception*, sponsored by Design House, will open festivities at 5:30pm. Awards dinner presentations will commence at 6:30pm and will honor Independent ProDealer of the Year, Multi-Unit ProDealer of the Year, and Supplier of the Year.

*Home Channel News* is the leading news and analysis magazine for the home improvement retail industry. Published 16 times a year, *Home Channel News* has reported breaking events since 1975. The newsmagazine serves retailers, wholesalers, distributors, buying co-ops and pro dealers selling hardware and home improvement products to do-it-yourself consumers and building professionals. *Home Channel News* is published by Lebharr-Friedman, Inc. [www.homechannelnews.com](http://www.homechannelnews.com)

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For more information on the *2008 ProDealer of the Year Awards Dinner* or the *ProDealer Industry Summit* please visit [www.ProDealer.com](http://www.ProDealer.com) or contact Hilary Cohen, Event Manager, at [hcohen@lf.com](mailto:hcohen@lf.com), Tel: (212) 756-5036. For information on covering the *ProDealer of the Year Awards* or the *ProDealer Industry Summit* in your publication contact Cristin Riffle-Lash, Marketing Manager, at [criffle@lf.com](mailto:criffle@lf.com), Tel: (212) 756-5154.

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