

## 2009 Best of the Valley Restaurant Awards



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### Fresno-area restaurant industry to honor best of the valley March 1

(SACRAMENTO, Feb. 1, 2010) - The California Restaurant Association Fresno chapter will host the 2009 Best of the Valley Restaurant Awards March 1 at the Saroyan Theatre in Fresno. More than 1,700 restaurateurs in Fresno and Madera counties will vote on the awards in more than 25 categories.

"After such a hard-fought year for the local restaurant community, it will be that much more rewarding to honor the standouts," said Tom Ferdinandi, Fresno chapter president and chief operating officer of Milano Restaurants International Corp. The Best of the Valley Restaurant Awards was founded in 1992.

The ceremony will feature the presentation of a Lifetime Achievement Award to the Mariscotti Family of the Vineyard Restaurant and Bar in Madera. The family has been a fixture of the Madera restaurant industry since the early 1900s. Robert and Helen Mariscotti established the Vineyard in 1976 and continue to serve fresh "wine country-style" dishes and cherished family recipes inspired by the agricultural bounty of the area.

Sponsorships are available; individual tickets \$50.00 each.

To register for the event, go online at <http://www.calrest.org>. or FAX the [Registration Form](#) to (559) 432-0398. Registration form and payments can also be mailed to: Tom Ferdinandi, 2009 Best of the Valley Restaurant Awards, 6729 North Palm Avenue, Suite 200, Fresno CA 93704

For more information, contact Tom Ferdinandi at 559.432.0399, Ext. 202, or <mailto:atf@milano-ri.com>.

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### Fresno Chapter 2009 Best of the Valley Restaurant Awards

Please join us as we celebrate Fresno's restaurant industry at the 2009 Best of the Valley Restaurant Awards honoring the Mariscotti Family (The Vineyard Restaurant & Bar) with a Lifetime Achievement Award. Cost \$50 per person; sponsorships are available. For more information contact Tom Ferdinandi at 559.432.0399 (x202) or [atf@milano-ri.com](mailto:atf@milano-ri.com)

DATE & TIME: Monday, March 01, 2010, 5:00 pm

LOCATION: The Saroyan Theatre, 700 M Street, Fresno, CA 93721

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