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**Benchmark Hospitality International Names Francisco
"Paco" Aceves
Executive Chef at Stonewall Resort**

The Woodlands (Houston), Texas, March 2009 . Benchmark Hospitality International has announced the appointment Francisco "Paco" Aceves as executive chef for Stonewall Resort, located near Weston, West Virginia. Chris Steffich, director of food & beverage, made the announcement.

"Chef Aceves brings a world of culinary experience to Stonewall Resort," said Mr. Steffich. "He has worked in prestigious resort, restaurant and country club venues across the country and trained under two of the world's most respected Certified Master Chefs. We look to him to continue our legacy as the region's premier culinary and resort destination."

A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, Chef Francisco Aceves previously held the title of executive chef for one of West Virginia's most popular restaurants, The Bridge Road Bistro in Charleston. Prior to this appointment he served as banquet chef for the Four Diamond-rated La Posada de Santa Fe Resort & Spa in Santa Fe, New Mexico, gaining experience in southwestern cuisine.

Earlier in his career, Chef Aceves was employed as sous chef for The Houston Country Club in Houston, Texas, where he trained under Certified Master Chef Fritz Gitschner. During his tenure there, Chef Aceves was chosen by Gitschner to participate as part of the United States culinary team at the Bocuse d'Or in Lyon, France, one of the world's most distinguished culinary competitions.

At the launch of his career, Francisco Aceves apprenticed at Handke's Cuisine in Columbus, Ohio, where he trained under Certified Master Chef Hartmut Handke.

Chef Aceves graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York. He is relocating to the Buckhannon, West Virginia area with his family.

The Four Diamond-rated Stonewall Resort is a 208-guestroom property with a lakeside lodge and lakeside cottages, a conference center, restaurants, complete fitness center and swimming pool, spa and an 18-hole Arnold Palmer Signature Golf Course. The resort is located at Stonewall Jackson Lake State Park near Weston, West Virginia. Stonewall Resort is a joint private/public development between McCabe-Henley LP and the West Virginia Department of Natural Resources. For additional information on Stonewall Resort, call 888-278-8150 or visit the Web site at www.StonewallResort.com. Benchmark Hospitality International operates Stonewall Resort.

Benchmark Hospitality International is a leader in the management and marketing of resorts, conference centers, hotels, and Personal Luxury HotelsT. The privately held company, launched in 1980, is a founding member of the International Association of Conference Centers. Benchmark Hospitality is a worldwide organization operating properties in major metropolitan and resort destinations. Benchmark's international headquarters is located in The Woodlands, Texas, near Houston, with regional offices in New Jersey and Connecticut. International offices are located in Tokyo, Japan, and Santiago, Chile. For the location of Benchmark's properties and additional information, visit www.benchmarkhospitality.com