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2017 Employee of the Year

Each year, our management team at Lazlo's Brewery & Grill and FireWorks Restaurant are invited to nominate a team member from each of our locations and honor them for their knowledge, dedication, work ethic and values. Please join us in congratulating the following individuals as our Lazlo, Inc. 2017 Manager and Employees of the Year!

Lazlo's Brewery & Grill and **FireWorks Restaurant** are proud to announce our 2017 Manager of the Year, **Turner Vannatta**. Serving as our Haymarket Assistant General Manager, Turner leads through example by showcasing our company core values on a daily basis. He exhibits strong moral conviction, integrity and pride when interacting with staff and customers alike and his strong leadership skills kept the team rolling through numerous challenging situations. Turner is a valued member of the Lazlo, Inc. team.

Our **Lazlo's Brewery & Grill – Haymarket** employee of the year is **Louell Alexander** who has been a rock within this store for many years. His consistency and pride on a daily basis create a foundation that any kitchen would love to have. He has always done what is asked of him to the standard that we hope to maintain day in and day out. He has been an integral part of training other team members in how to do things right. Despite taking on a challenging role, his attitude is always positive and professional, and the pride in his product never waivers. It is for these reasons that we are proud to announce that Louie is our 2017 Employee of the Year in the Haymarket location.

Our **Lazlo's Brewery & Grill – South** employee of the honor goes to **Michael Petersen**. Michael is an Associate Manager and line cook for Lazlo's Brewery & Grill - South, and has been with us for just over six years. Michael is a very dedicated and talented leader on our team. He has moved up the ranks and is our lead grill cook and lead trainer. He does a great job of leading by example and doing the right thing when it comes to upholding our quality and cleanliness standards. He is looked up to by every member of the team; both back of the house and front of the house staff alike respect and admire Michael. He makes the people around him better at their jobs by his consistent leadership in showing them the right way to do things and his relentless accountability in their development. His consistency and loyalty to our team sets him apart and we are more than happy to have him apart of our Lazlo's South team.



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Our **Lazlo's Brewery & Grill – Omaha** Employee of the Year, rightfully goes out to **Burt Blum**. Burt has been with us, since we opened up our doors in 2006 and has been an outstanding leader on our Bar Team for the last 10 or more years. Burt embraces the culture and truly strives to be the best Lazlonian he can be day in and day out. He arrives early to every shift and sets up the team for success, each and every day. We would not be where we are today without the leadership and commitment from Burt. Burt strives to make each guest feel as if they are at home, possibly why we have such a popular Happy Hour; everyone is coming to see Burt.

Our **FireWorks Restaurant** employee of the year goes to **Robert Waln**. Robert started with us over a year ago and didn't have a lot of work experience in the kitchen. He began in a more hectic role as a prep cook, in which he was hesitant at first, but with some encouragement he soon accepted his next position. After excelling at yet another position, we decided to challenge him in new positions. He learned how to work the grill, salads and now is learning how to sauté. Rob is one of the hardest workers we have seen and really did start from the bottom and learn everything from scratch. There is no task too big for him and everyday he challenges his peers to get better through his own actions and how hard he works. He is a very kind, caring and loyal employee who is always willing to help out with anything we ask of him. Rob is truly one of a kind and has a very bright future in this industry and in our company.