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### Hamilton County CVB Recognizes Individual, Business Stars in Tourism

HAMILTON COUNTY—The Hamilton County Convention and Visitors Bureau recognizes the extraordinary works of the county's hospitality industry through the STAR Award, a quarterly recognition program. For the fourth quarter, Jamie Holt, the assistant manager at A Corner Cottage ([LINK: http://acornercottage.blogspot.com/2008/03/update-from-corner-cottage.html](http://acornercottage.blogspot.com/2008/03/update-from-corner-cottage.html)) in Noblesville was honored in the individual category. A Corner Cottage was also named as the STAR in the business category.

Holt has worked at A Corner Cottage for three years, providing "inspiration and free smiles," according to owner Peggy Kumier. Holt is known for her customer service, from helping customers pick out the right gift to keeping the shop clean and safe.

A Corner Cottage is a warm and friendly specialty shop that welcomes visitors like old friends in addition to offering a wide array of gifts, favors, greeting cards, home decor, garden items, Signature Pottery and other vintage and antique items. The nearly nine-year-old store has been a cornerstone of the Historic Noblesville Square for nearly nine years.

Nominations are compiled and awarded each quarter. Individual nominees must work or volunteer for county attractions, shops, hotels, restaurants or other tourism-related businesses. Candidates should possess an excellent record of customer service, a professional attitude, a courteous and kind manner, and a willingness to go beyond what is required to welcome the community's 1.8 million visitors annually.

Non-profit and tourism business nominations must show efforts promoting visitors to Hamilton County as a visitor destination. Examples could include unique promotions, new exhibits, special offers or other programs promoting Hamilton County to a tourism audience.

Winners will receive a recognition gift. All nominees will be acknowledged for their efforts.

To nominate a STAR, visit [8GreatTowns.com](http://8GreatTowns.com), click Hamilton Co. Biz and then the online application under Nominate a Tourism STAR.

The Hamilton County Convention and Visitors Bureau promotes tourism growth through strategic marketing, hospitality and community development initiatives.