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### Finalists for 2009 Winning Edge Awards announced

October 2, 2009 (*Airdrie, Alberta*) – The finalists for Airdrie’s prestigious Winning Edge Awards have been decided.

**The Winning Edge Award** is given to an exceptional small business (under 50 employees) that demonstrates superior customer service and is an active corporate citizen. The Winning Edge Award is sponsored by the Airdrie Business Resource Partnership. This year’s finalists are:

- Advance Distribution/Here's The Scoop
- Air Alta Insurance
- Killarney's Irish Pub and Restaurant
- Prairie Sun Creations
- The UPS Store

**The Eco Edge Award**, which is sponsored by the City of Airdrie Environmental Advisory Board, recognizes a business promoting, taking part and providing leadership in the environmental arena. Finalists for 2009 are:

- Airdrie Dog & Pony
- Five Star Communications
- Global A.P.E.
- Royal Bank of Canada – Airdrie Branch – Phyllis Groten
- RnR Energy

A business that demonstrates family friendly practices, either through supporting employees' needs or being a fun place for clients/customers to visit is recognized with the **Family Friendly Business Award**, sponsored by the Airdrie National Family Week Steering Committee. Finalists in this category are:

- Advance Distribution/Here's the Scoop
- Five Star Communications
- Frog Hollow Garden Center
- Hero Optical
- Killarney's Irish Pub and Restaurant

The winners in each category will be announced at a banquet on Thursday, October 22, held at the Woodside Golf Course. Tickets are available on the Airdrie Business Resource Partnership (ABRP) website – [www.airdriebizresources.org](http://www.airdriebizresources.org). Purchase your tickets by midnight on October 2 to take advantage of special Early Bird pricing of \$50 per ticket. After October 2, the price goes up to \$60 per ticket. The banquet traditionally sells out extremely quickly and tickets are limited. Come see who has the winning edge in Airdrie business this year.

Check out all of Airdrie's Small Business Week events by visiting the ABRP website, [www.airdriebizresources.org](http://www.airdriebizresources.org). Tickets can be purchased online for the **Entrepreneurial Edge Evening**, taking place on Tuesday, October 20, and for the **Better Balance, Better Business, Employee Work-Life Balance Strategies** seminar being held on Wednesday, October 21.

*The Winning Edge Awards are organized by the Airdrie Business Resource Partnership. The ABRP seeks to foster the growth of a vibrant, thriving and diversified business community in Airdrie and the surrounding area. The Winning Edge Awards are made possible by generous sponsorship from the local business community.*

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