

## SONIC's 2015 Troy Smith Hall of Fame Award Goes to Long-Time Louisiana Franchisee

Ted Kergan receives SONIC's most prestigious award

OKLAHOMA CITY--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- SONIC® Drive-In (NASDAQ: SONC), the nation's largest chain of drive-in restaurants, presented the Troy Smith Hall of Fame Award to franchisee Ted Kergan of Lafayette, La.-based Kergan Brothers Inc. at the 2015 SONIC Convention in Kansas City, Mo., earlier this month. Named after SONIC's founder, the Troy Smith Hall of Fame Award is SONIC's most prestigious award, and is given to a franchisee that has worked with SONIC for a noteworthy duration and has made a significant contribution in terms of leadership, growth, positive influence and brand image.

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"Ted is well-respected among his franchisee peers in SONIC and he is a source of great leadership and inspiration to his fellow franchisees, colleagues and partners," said Clifford Hudson, CEO of Sonic Corp. "Ted's character and integrity define him, and his generous spirit, development of others and successfully confronting adversity captures the spirit of a Troy Smith Hall of Fame Award recipient. He has helped develop the brand over the years and helped make it what it is today."

Kergan Brothers, Inc. owns and operates 54 SONIC Drive-Ins in the Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Acadiana and New Orleans markets in Louisiana. Kergan works with his team to continually push toward the goal of providing his guests with an amazing SONIC experience.

"To be recognized for this prestigious award is Cliff Hudson, Ann Kergan and Ted Kergan (Photo: Business Wire) very humbling and emotional for me because I am now placed in the same category with fellow franchisees who have taught me a lot about the business," said Ted Kergan, chief executive officer of Kergan Brothers, Inc. "Troy Smith was among my SONIC mentors and I am delighted to receive the award named for a man I both respected and admired."

Kergan gives back to the SONIC brand by serving in numerous capacities including membership on the executive committee of SONIC's franchisee advisory council. Kergan and his team give back to the communities by working with more than 250 schools across the state of Louisiana and volunteering with non-profit organizations including the Boys & Girls Club and American Cancer Society.

## About SONIC, America's Drive-In

SONIC, America's Drive-In, is the nation's largest drive-in restaurant chain serving more than 3 million customers every day. Nearly 90 percent of SONIC's 3,500 drive-in locations are owned and operated by local business men and women. Over the past 60 years, SONIC has delighted guests with signature menu items, more than 1.3 million drink combinations and friendly service by iconic Carhops. To learn more about Sonic Corp. (NASDAQ/NM: SONC), please visit sonicdrivein.com or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

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