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Pella Windows and Door - National Distributer of the Year Nomination

I would like to nominate Pella Window and Doors as National Distributer of the Year award. Pella has been involved in the North Jersey NARI chapter for years. Pella Windows and Doors has been a window and door leader for years and has been around for approx. 95 years. This company has been inventing better products since they got started back in 1925.

The chapter hasn't had the same representative throughout this time period but those who have been representing Pella have been part of the chapter board and been very supportive during their time. They have held different positions within the chapter and have made valuable contributions during this time. The chapter hasn't just benefited from the financial support but also the time volunteered and allowing the chapter to host many a meeting at their locations in North Jersey. The chapter members have then been able to see and discuss with Pella representatives the different products Pella has to offer while meeting at their showrooms.

Fred Diehl, who at the time was VP of Pella Residential Sales for the tri-state area, got involved on the chapter board and having been involved in the construction industry for so many years he continuously provided insight and recommendations on ways to adapt to the changing dynamics of the industry in order to keep growing the chapter and making it better. Even after retiring, Fred would send out articles to different members of the board that he felt might help them with a job or committee they were working on. After Fred was a Board Member, Fred took on the role of Chapter President for 2 years and then Chairman of the Board for another 2 years. Fred and Pella opened Pella's warehouse so the chapter could put together dog platforms that were donated to a local animal rescue as one of our charity projects. These platforms allowed the dogs to rest on them and not be on the hard sometimes wet concrete floor. During his time with Pella, Fred received both the company's President's Club and



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Director's Awards and was inducted to the Rockland County Builders and Remodelers Association Hall of Fame.

Bill Wagner, a Pella salesman, was a board member for many years too. Bill participated on the Membership Committee and was instrumental in working with the committee members to help grow the chapter and think of new ways to bring new members in that hadn't been tried before. When meetings were held at a Pella showroom, Bill would make sure that the tables and chairs were setup, food and drinks were ordered and ready for the meeting attendees. Pella would pay for all this and not look to the chapter for reimbursement.

Stuart Millstein is the current board member representing Pella. Stuart took over for Bill Wagner after Bill left Pella to pursue another job opportunity. Stuart has been a board member for the last 2-3 years and picked up where Bill left off. Pella has continued to be supportive of the chapter. Stuart has been attending the board meeting and working with the board members to come up with suggestions to enhance what we offer to the chapter members.

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