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**The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center Receives  
2009 Paragon Award from *Corporate Meetings & Incentives Magazine***

THE WOODLANDS, TX (March 5, 2009) . . . The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center is the only Texas conference center to receive the Paragon award from readers of *Corporate Meetings & Incentives* magazine.

The 2009 Paragon award is presented to hotels, resorts and conference centers based on feedback from meeting planners. Conference centers, which must be members of the International Association of Conference Centers to qualify, were judged on their facilities, equipment, and meetings services.

Strict standards in seven key areas set IACC conference centers apart from other hospitality venues, which results in a more productive meeting experience.

“As a founding member of IACC, we take pride in providing a first-class meeting experience,” says Kent Johnson, General Manager of the Resort. “This award recognizes not only the physical attributes of our facility, but also the high-standard of service our employees provide.”

**About The Woodlands Resort & Conference Center**

*Where natural beauty meets high-tech convenience, the International Association of Conference Centers (IACC) approved Woodlands Resort & Conference Center combines the highest quality conference facilities with resort amenities. The property is centrally located, a three-hour flight from either coast and 18 miles from Houston’s George Bush Intercontinental Airport.*

*A founding member of IACC, the 440-room property features 60,000 square feet of flexible meeting space, including a 13,500-square-foot Grand Ballroom and 32 dedicated meeting rooms. Nearly all meeting space offers natural light and views of the lake or forest. Other meeting highlights include two full-service business centers, a concierge floor with private boardroom, an extensive menu of themed food and beverage presentations and a team of experienced meeting professionals. Meeting attendees enjoy activities ranging from team building events to on-property resort amenities such as golf, spa and fitness facilities, 145 miles of nature and bike trails, five pools and indoor and outdoor tennis courts. Visit [www.woodlandsresort.com](http://www.woodlandsresort.com) or call 866-554-8118 for group planning needs.*

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