



**Lucrezia Wins R.O.S.E. Award:
PUTTING PORTER COUNTY ON THE MAP**

Lucrezia® Café and Catering , 428 S. Calumet Rd., Chesterton, Indiana is the recipient of the 2006 R.O.S.E. award for “Putting Porter County on the Map” by the Porter County Convention and Visitors Bureau. The popular trattoria is located in the quaint Myron Smith house built in 1867. Owners, Michael and Nada Karas opened Lucrezia® Café and Catering in 1998.

With the success of their Chesterton location, the Karas’ opened Lucrezia® Ristorante in Crown Point, Indiana, two and half years ago. The restaurant is in an old Victorian mansion, which is on the National Register of Historic Sites and Structures and part of Crown Point’s Historic Downtown district. The Karas’ are not new to the R.O.S.E. award. Last year, Lucrezia® Ristorante in Crown Point, Indiana received the R.O.S.E. award from the Lake County Convention and Visitors Bureau for the 2004 Restaurant of the Year.

More information regarding the R.O.S.E. award is provided below.

Local businesses and employees awarded the R.O.S.E. Award

The Orange Bowl stadium can be filled a hundred times over with people directly employed in the travel and tourism industry! The Travel and Tourism industry is one of the country's largest employers with 7.3 million direct travel-generated jobs.

For four years, the three counties of Northwest Indiana, Lake, Porter and La Porte, have collectively held the R.O.S.E. (Recognizing Outstanding Service Excellence) awards, which are presented by each county Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) to recognize the travel and tourism industry front-line employees, as well as outstanding service provided by businesses.

The R.O.S.E. Awards coincide with Northwest Indiana celebration of See America Week, sponsored nationally by the Travel Industry Association of America (TIA). See America Week is a way for the travel and tourism industry to thank visitors for their patronage, honor the employees who serve them, and show pride for the industry.

For more information about the luncheon or the ceremony, contact [Erika Dahl at Lake County CVB](#), (219) 989-7770