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**RECENTLY RENOVATED SONNENALP RESORT OF VAIL
WINS NATIONAL ACCOLADES**

Vail, CO - Just weeks before the Democratic National Committee awarded its 2008 convention to Denver, the Sonnenalp Resort of Vail was being recognized as one of best 500 hotels in the world by *Travel & Leisure* magazine. And, while these two destinations are miles apart (about 100), they are valuable allies in showcasing Colorado's tourism opportunities to thousands of conventioners that will descend upon Denver in August of 2008.

In December, *Conde Nast Traveler* magazine ranked the Sonnenalp Resort # 4 on their list of the top 50 ski hotels in North America, citing the hotel's Old World hospitality and four generations of family ownership.

Closer to home, *Colorado Golf Magazine* ranked the Sonnenalp Golf Club as the #2 resort course in Colorado in its Winter 2006 issue. The Sonnenalp Golf Club has been consistently recognized by *Golf Digest* as one of the country's top 100 resort courses.

Last fall, Ludwig's, the Sonnenalp's signature restaurant, received the Best of Award of Excellence from *Wine Spectator*. Ludwig's is also the longest standing recipient in Vail of the DiRoNA designation presented by the Distinguished Restaurants of North America.

Founded in 1979, the Sonnenalp Resort offers 115 luxury suites and 12 hotel rooms along with a luxury spa, four restaurants, golf course and conference facilities. For more information, call 800-654-8312 or visit www.sonnenalp.com.

