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**NATIONAL BOOK GROUP HONORS
HIGHLAND HAVEN OWNER GAIL RILEY'S
LIFESTYLE COOKBOOK**

EVERGREEN— USA Book News has announced that *Colorado Cravings, Recipes and Romance from the Award-Winning Highland Haven Creekside Inn* was honored as a finalist in the National Best Books 2008 Awards. *Colorado Cravings*, written by Highland Haven owner Gail Riley, was an award-winning finalist in the general cookbook category.

USABookNews.com, the premiere online magazine and review website for mainstream and independent publishing houses, announced the winners and finalists of **THE NATIONAL "BEST BOOKS" 2008 AWARDS** (NBBA) on October 20. Over 500 winners and finalists were announced in more than 140 categories covering print and audio books. Awards were presented for titles published in 2008 and late 2007, and can be viewed online at www.USABookNews.com.

Colorado Cravings captures Riley's passion for her distinctively Rocky Mountain style of cooking, entertaining and decorating as owner of the award-winning Highland Haven for the past 30 years. The 151-page, hardcover book features 100 delicious, unfussy recipes, original watercolors, beautiful photographs and charming reflections from one of Colorado's premier inns. In addition to sharing the inn's time-honored recipes, *Colorado Cravings* includes Riley's ruminations on everything from romance to lifestyle to the significance of chickens. The book celebrates the seasons by offering original ideas for fun and fuss-free entertaining, making clever crafts and hosting creative theme parties at different times of the year.

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Riley said writing the book was a labor of love and a natural extension of the creative process involved in running the Highland Haven.

“Being named a finalist in the National Best Books Awards is such an honor,” said Riley. “I think it shows that people from all over appreciate and long for the authentic romance and elegant but relaxing Rocky Mountain lifestyle we enjoy cultivating at the Highland Haven.”

Colorado Cravings is available in many bookstores and boutiques in Evergreen and the Denver Metro area, including the Tattered Cover, and at www.coloradocravings.com.

The Highland Haven was named one of the nation’s Top 10 Most Romantic Cottages by *Sunset* magazine and Best Bed and Breakfast by *Mountain Living* magazine. Known for its exceptional customer service, the inn features 17 rooms, suites and cottages, each distinctly appointed in “Colorado chic” décor, designed for maximum comfort and luxury. For reservations and information, call 303-674-3577 or visit www.highlandhaven.com.

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