



## Press Release

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### **Bassett's Market Wins Grocer Award**

(Port Clinton, OH)—On January 20, 2016, the Ohio Grocers Association presented its prestigious Pinnacle Award to Bassett's Market of Port Clinton, Ohio. The Pinnacle Award, based on operational excellence and significant contribution to Ohio's food industry, is given annually to both a single-store operator and a multi-store operation.

Founded in Oak Harbor, OH in 1898 by Nahmy Bassett, Bassett's Market has been serving Ohio's northwest coast and island communities with cutting edge innovation and a winning philosophy of old fashioned customer service. The family owned grocery store business, run by Mike Bassett since 1986, consists of store locations in Port Clinton, which includes a hardware, pharmacy, sushi bar, state liquor agency and many other specialty items, and a store in Bellevue, OH.

Under Mike Bassett's leadership, Bassett's Market has been recognized with numerous accolades and awards including being named of the IGA International Retailers of the Year in 1998, and in 2010 it was recognized as the Ottawa County Community Improvement Corporation's medium business of the year award. The Bassett family and business has also dedicated their time and resources to serving the community. Mike has served as a past member of the Board of Directors for the Oak harbor Chamber of Commerce and as a past president of the Ottawa County Improvement Corporation. In 2014, Bassett's Market donated \$250,000 for the renovation of the local stadium, now known as Bassett Field at True-Lay Stadium.

"It is my distinct honor to award Bassett's Market as our 2016 Pinnacle Award winner," says Kristin Mullins, President/CEO of OGA. "The Bassett family and their loyal employees have a long record of serving the communities of Port Clinton and Bellevue are most deserving of the Ohio Grocers Association's highest honor."

In addition to yesterday's store presentation, the Bassett family will receive a special video recognition at the Ohio Grocers Annual Trade Relations Gala on April 9, 2016, at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center.

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