

Food Lion Names Charles Inman 2012 Store Manager of the Year

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11 Store Managers Also Recognized for Outstanding Leadership

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Food Lion recently recognized Charles Inman as the recipient of its 2012 Store Manager Excellence Award. Inman, who is the store manager of the Food Lion located at 238 Pritchard Road in Clayton, N.C., was selected from among a group of 1,119 store managers across the company.

"I was very surprised and honored to receive this award," Inman said. "I am a proud Food Lion associate, and I am especially proud to lead my great team of store associates, who helped make this possible."

Inman joined Food Lion in 2002 as a cashier, and held positions of increasing responsibility, including produce manager, office manager and assistant store manager. He resides in Cary, N.C., and is getting married in May.

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"Charles is an excellent leader in his store and he delivers the Food Lion brand to our customers and his associates every day," said Troy Leshko, division vice president for the Mid-Atlantic Division. "Charles' store leadership and strong business acumen

helps him excel as a store manager every day. He is an extremely humble leader and demonstrates each of our company's core values every day. He is a strong developer of talent and also sets very high expectations for both himself and his team."

In addition to Inman being selected as Food Lion's Store Manager of the year, 11 other leaders were also recognized for exceptional leadership. The regional and division winners include:

2012 Division Store Managers of the Year:

Northern Division Winner

Doug Whiteman 85 Maddex Square Drive Shepherdstown W. Va.

Northern Division Regional Winners

Bill Ewing 2250 Hanson Road Edgewood, Md.

Kelly Allen

11 Dunlop Village Circle Colonial Heights, Va.

Benny Beasley 192 Amelon Square Madison Heights, Va.

Central Division Winner and Overall Food Lion Winner

Charles Inman 238 Pritchard Road Clayton, N.C.

Central Division Regional Winners

James Cosendine 1920 Centerville Turnpike Virginia Beach, Va.

Allison Dorton 3609 Davis Drive Morrisville, N.C.

Kit Trotter 41934 NC Highway 12 Avon, N.C.

Southern Division Winner

Georgia Habit 2226 Park Road Charlotte, N.C.

Southern Division Regional Winners

Kim Jones 1245 E. Spring St. Cookeville, Tenn.

Maclaren Oglesby 525 Jake Alexander Blvd. West Salisbury, N.C.

Daniel Bates 10 Sam's Point Road Beaufort, S.C.

The company's Store Manager Excellence Award is based on a number of areas, including associate development, leadership, strategic decisionmaking, cross-organizational collaboration and teamwork, executional excellence, extraordinary results, great customer experiences, community involvement, and diversity and inclusion.

About Food Lion

Food Lion, based in Salisbury, N.C., is a subsidiary of Delhaize America, the U.S. division of Brussels-based Delhaize Group (NYSE: DEG) and operates more than 1,100 supermarkets. The company employs approximately 57,000 associates delivering quality products, low prices and service to customers in 10 Southeastern and Mid-Atlantic states. For more information, visit <u>www.foodlion.com</u>.

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