



## **2018 Community Leader Corporate Award**



### **Robert Denning**

Robert is the President & CEO of Perry's Ice Cream, a position he has held since 2000. He is the visionary leader of this family-owned, 100 year old business, and under his dedicated leadership, the company has grown as a world-class, international supplier and distributor of delicious desserts! A graduate of UB and Buff State, he is a lifelong WNY'er that prides himself on giving back to the community.

As CEO, Robert oversees all facets of the corporation. Through his leadership Perry's now offers over 1,500 unique items in distribution, and recently the company achieved its first international sales to over 30 countries outside of the US. This locally-run company recently doubled its distribution footprint and employs hundreds of diverse WNY'ers. Robert sits on the boards of the UB Foundation and the Buffalo Niagara Partnership. He is a past member of Key Bank's Board of Advisors and the UB Athletic Advisory Board, and he currently sits on the Niagara University Food Marketing Advisory Board. In 2004, he was invited to join the Young Presidents' Organization (YPO), a group of more than 9,500 business leaders from 75 nations.

For his work to enhance the region, its people, products, and international reputation, the NFJC is proud to present Robert Denning with the 2018 Community Leader Corporate Award.



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