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**CINCY BUSINESS MAGAZINE ANNOUNCES FINALISTS
FOR THE 2007 GREATER CINCINNATI
ATHENA® Award**

Cincy Business magazine has announced the finalists for the 2007 ATHENA® Award, honoring outstanding women who have achieved professional excellence, given back to their communities and created leadership opportunities for other women in the Tristate.

The 2007 Greater Cincinnati ATHENA Award® finalists are:

- ◆ Mary Pierce Brosmer, Founding Director, Women Writing for (a) Change
- ◆ Helen Carroll, Manager of Community Relations, Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America
- ◆ Donna Drury-Heine, Founder & President of LifeQuest Coaching & Seminars, President of Blue Chip Cookies
- ◆ Mary Ivers, CEO & Founder, Dress for Success Cincinnati
- ◆ Crystal Kendrick, President, The Voice of Your Customer
- ◆ Suzanne LaChapelle, President, Suzanne LaChapelle Design
- ◆ M. Elizabeth Rader, Director, Deloitte & Touche LLP
- ◆ Maribeth S. Rahe, President and CEO, Fort Washington Investment Advisors
- ◆ Deni Tato, President and CEO, Contract Interiors
- ◆ Mary Tuuk, Executive Vice President and Chief Risk Officer, Fifth Third Bancorp
- ◆ Kimberly Wells, President, Wells Health Care Inc.

All finalists will be honored and a recipient will be announced at a luncheon on Sept. 20 at the Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Rd. Registration begins at 11:30, with the luncheon and awards program starting at 12:00. WLWT-TV News 5 co-anchor Todd Dykes will emcee the event. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Nancy Zimpher, President of the University of Cincinnati.

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Seats are still available at \$32. Tables of eight may also be reserved for \$246. Call Alisia Sullivan, marketing/event coordinator, for tickets (513) 297-6201, or visit www.cincybusinessmag.com for online reservations.

All finalists will also be featured in the October/November issue of *Cincy Business* magazine with a cover story in their honor.

This marks the second year for the ATHENA® Award program in Cincinnati, joining the approximately 350 programs in the US, Canada, Russia, China, United Arab Emirates, UK, and most recently India.

“This is an opportunity to honor women who are vital to the community and yet don’t often receive recognition,” says **Cincy Business** publisher Eric Harmon. “The number of women nominated, not to mention the finalists, is evidence of how vibrant business is in Cincinnati.”

Founded in the early 1980s by Martha Mertz, a Michigan business woman, ATHENA® International is devoted to supporting, developing and honoring women leaders, to inspiring women to achieve their full potential, and to creating balance in leadership worldwide.

The ATHENA® Award is represented by an original bronze and marble sculpture inspired by the goddess of Greek mythology known for her strength, courage, wisdom and enlightenment—qualities embodied in the ATHENA® leadership model.

Joining *Cincy Business* magazine in sponsoring the ATHENA® Award are National City Bank, Contract Interiors, The Palmer Group, Six Disciplines, The Wolfe Practice, West Chester Chamber Alliance, eWomen Network, The Art Institute of Cincinnati, and WLWT News 5.

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