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Women's Chamber announces award finalists

DENVER – The Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce today announced the finalists for the Lifetime Achievement Award, Young Professional of the Year Award and Company of the Year for small, medium and large businesses. The Chamber will honor the finalists and award recipients during the Annual Awards Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the Hyatt Regency Denver at the Colorado Convention Center.

The luncheon celebrates the accomplishments of the CWCC and its members during the past year. The event will also feature keynote speaker Kim Day, Manager of Aviation at Denver International Airport.

Kaiser Permanente is the premier sponsor. The cost is \$60 for members and \$75 for non-members. Register online at www.cwcc.org.

Lifetime Achievement Award finalists include:

- Luella Chavez D'Angelo, Western Union Foundation
- Dana Crawford, Urban Neighborhoods
- Melissa Edelman, Wealth Concepts, LLC/MassMutual
- Kathryn Paul, Delta Dental of Colorado.

Young Professional of the Year Award finalists include:

- Laura Roberts, Xcel Energy
- Gloria Schoch, First Data & First Data Foundation
- Shelley Thompson, Allen & Vellone P.C.
- Kara Veitch, Isaacson Rosenbaum P.C.

CWCC Company of the Year Award finalists include:

- Large – Qwest Communications
- Large – Xcel Energy, Inc.
- Medium – Delta Dental of Colorado
- Medium – The Integer Group
- Small – GlobaLinks Learning Abroad
- Small – SalesLeadership, Inc.

Complete finalist biographies and company profiles are available on the Annual Awards Lunch Event page at www.cwcc.org.

About the Awards:

To be eligible for the Lifetime Achievement Award, a nominee must be a member of the community for a minimum of five years. The nominee must also demonstrate significant leadership skills and has made an impact on women in her community. Additionally, the nominee must have contributed a body of work that has made an effective change in a specific segment of her community including: environmental, community, business, and social.

The Young Professional Award recognizes the efforts of an outstanding young professional woman who demonstrates significant accomplishments in her career and has contributed to the business community. This emerging leader pursues excellence and possesses leadership skills, creativity, and demonstrates role model qualities. Additionally, she works to improve the quality of life of others through community service. To be eligible, a candidate must be a professional woman working in Colorado and must be 39 years of age or younger.

The CWCC Company of the Year Awards honor companies that create a workplace culture supporting the highest levels of personal and professional accomplishment for their

female employees. The companies encouraging them to excel in the company, devote time and energy to their community in a meaningful way, and forge paths of leadership for other women to follow. Size Criteria: Large Business: 600+ employees / Medium Business: 51-599 employees / Small Business: 50 employees or less.

For more information on the Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce, call 303.458.0220, e-mail info@cwcc.org or visit www.cwcc.org.

The Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce is one of the largest women's chambers in the nation. CWCC provides its members with the environment and resources conducive to business success, skills and knowledge about business issues and trends, visibility in the community and opportunities for community involvement and business partnerships.

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