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2007 Small Business Award Winners to be Honored

SCRANTON, PA, May 3, 2007—The Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce is conducting the 2007 Small Business Awards Luncheon featuring the 25th Annual Small Business of the Year Award on Wednesday, May 23 at 11:45 AM at the Hilton Scranton & Conference Center, 100 Adams Avenue, Scranton. The Small Business of the Year Award is sponsored by Fidelity Deposit & Discount Bank. The Small Business Awards Luncheon officially kicks off the Chamber's annual Business Show.

In addition to honoring the Small Business of the Year Award winner, the Small Business Awards Luncheon will feature the Young Entrepreneur Award winner and the graduates of the 2007 Small Business Institute. In addition, five \$500 "Micro-Grants" will be presented to area childcare providers. Bank of America, MetroAction, Inc., The University of Scranton Small Business Development Center, and the Hilton Scranton & Conference Center are Small Business of the Year Award partners.

The Small Business of the Year Award is presented each spring to honor a small business for its outstanding operation and contributions to the community. The nominations are judged on staying power, product/service innovativeness, and contribution to the community, employee growth, earnings growth, challenges/successes and special awards/recognition.

The cost of the Small Business Awards Luncheon is \$25 for Chamber members and \$35 for non-members. Tables of ten are available. To register for the luncheon and other upcoming Chamber events, visit the secure online registration form at www.scrantonchamber.com. You can also contact Julie Ropoch at 570.342.7711 or at jropoch@scrantonchamber.com. Deadline for registration is Friday, May 18.

The Business Show will bring together professionals throughout the greater Scranton area to access resources they need to grow and prosper. Attendees of the event will experience the most innovative and high-quality products and services available in northeastern Pennsylvania. For more information regarding the Business Show contact Ms. Ropoch or log on to www.scrantonchamber.com.

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