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Subject: 2009 Medina County Business Awards Results

The Medina County Economic Development Corporation is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2009 Medina County Business Awards.

The Medina County Business Awards (MCBA), *sponsored by Westfield Bank*, recognize businesses located in Medina County that have achieved significant and positive results in terms of innovation, capital investment, small business enterprise, sustainability and/or community involvement.

The MCBA was held in conjunction with the Medina County Economic Development Corporation's Autumn Speaker Series at the Blair Center in Westfield Center on Thursday, October 22, 2009 with approximately 200 guests in attendance. Fred M. DeGrandis, President & CEO of Cleveland Clinic Regional Hospitals, was the keynote speaker.

All of the 99 nominees were deserving of this honorable recognition; however, the field was narrowed to a maximum of three in each category. A panel of three judges had the difficult task of choosing the award recipients. The MCBA judges were Ralph Berry and Charles "Chuck" Hawley, both former Medina County Commissioners, and Brian Tucker, Publisher & Editorial Director of *Crain's Cleveland Business* and a resident of Medina County.

The results are in...2009 finalists and recipients are:

Corporate Citizen of the Year - Company

Finalists: Homestead Insurance Agency
Stop'n Go of Medina
World Truck Towing & Recovery

Recipient: Stop'n Go of Medina

Corporate Citizen of the Year - Individual

Finalists: Lori Betz, GTB Medical Services
Jon Park, Westfield Bank;
Thomas Whelan, Lodi Community Hospital

Recipient: Lori Betz

Capital Investment

Finalists: Cletronics, Inc
Plum Creek Assisted Living
Wellman Products Group

Recipient: Wellman Products Group

Small Business Enterprise

Finalists: Griffith Holdings, Inc.
Justice & Company
VEXOR Technology

Recipient: Justice & Company

New category created by the finalist judges and awarded at their discretion:

Sustainability – Environmental Improvement

Recipient: VEXOR Technology

Entrepreneur of the Year

Finalists: Cletronics, Inc.
Foundations Children's Products
Inflatable Images

Recipient: Inflatable Images

Sustained Business Growth

Finalists: Clinical Research Management
EBO Group, Inc.
Sandridge Food Corporation

Recipient: Sandridge Food Corporation

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