



# 9TH ANNUAL PARAGON AWARDS *Winners*



**YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR**  
presented by Chad Boyko (Conexus)  
Winner — Rachel Mielke (Hillberg & Berk)



**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**  
presented by Carl Worth (CTV)  
Winner — Sun Life Financial (Brian Killback)



**COMMUNITY ALLIANCE**  
presented by Nicole Ursu (Uponsor)  
Winner — Rawlco (94.5 Jack FM — Bill & Woody)



**MARKETING AND PROMOTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT**  
presented by Fred Titanich (Regina & District Chamber of Commerce) on behalf of McDonald's  
Winner — The Saskatchewan Roughriders Football Club (Jim Hopson)



**EXPORT ACHIEVEMENT**  
presented by Brad Michnik (STEP)  
Winner — Partners in Motion Inc. (Ron Goetz)



**CUSTOMER SERVICE EXCELLENCE**  
presented by Ken Cheveldayoff (Minister of Crown Corporations) on behalf of SaskPower  
Winner — MicroAge (Janet Douglas & Brad Hoffman)



**DIVERSITY**  
presented by Blaine Pilatzke (Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation)  
Winner — Employment Network Canada Inc. (Linda Langlier)



**NEW BUSINESS VENTURE**  
presented by David Eberle (Sask. Workers Compensation Board)  
Winner — Trino's Men's Wear (Trina Fader)



**BUSINESS OF THE YEAR**  
presented by Ron Armstrong (IPSCO)  
Winner — Dutch Growers Garden Centre (Tim & Karen Van Duyvendyk)

## And the Paragon Award goes to...

The Regina & District Chamber of Commerce presented the 9th Annual Paragon Awards April 3 at the IPSCO Turvey Centre. The Paragon Awards celebrate excellence in the business community by honouring the distinguished achievements and accomplishments of local businesses and individuals.

"The success of local businesses is something we can all be proud of. The strong leadership and generosity of people in the business community encourages growth and inspires others to reach for their goals. The Chamber is very pleased to provide a showcase for the accomplishments and contributions of local businesses," said John Hopkins, CEO of the Chamber.

Mayor Pat Fiocco said, "I commend all nominees on your many accomplishments. You have been recognized by your peers as a business

that best exemplifies the spirit of business excellence in our city. I also commend the Regina & District Chamber of Commerce for hosting this awards program, and thank the board of directors, members and staff for your dedication in helping the Regina Region to continue to grow and prosper."

More than 400 people attended this year's awards ceremony to celebrate the talent, ambition and creativity of all the nominees. The Regina & District Chamber of Commerce would like to congratulate all of the 2008 award winners and thank the Paragon Awards Committee, sponsors and judges for their generous support.

Nomination forms for the 2009 Paragon Awards will be available this fall.



Proud recipient of the Regina Chamber of Commerce Diversity Award



left to right: Kristen Eisenzimmer, Recruiter/Human Resource Consultant; John Chick, Recruiter/Marketing Consultant (seasonal/part-time); Linda Langelier, CHRP, President; Milly Sywanyk, Recruiter/Human Resource Consultant and Lidija Spasic, Recruiter/Human Resource Consultant.

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Dutch Growers Home and Garden is honoured to receive the **PARAGON AWARD for Regina Business of the Year**

We would like to thank the Chamber of Commerce and the Regina business community for all their support.

We would also like to thank our employees for their dedication to providing outstanding customer service and their commitment to helping us grow together as a team.

To our customers, thank you for your support. Every year we grow a little more and we will continue to strive to provide the highest level of customer care possible.

As a true "Mom and Pop" operation we are grateful for the love and support of our families and look forward another exciting Saskatchewan spring!

Sincerely,  
Tim and Karen Van Duyvendyk



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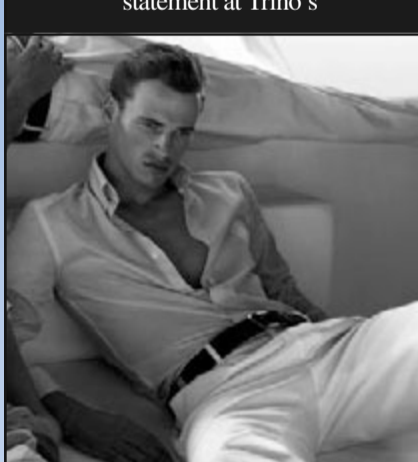
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