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Judges name 2008 class of Most Influential Women

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An independent panel of judges has chosen Springfield Business Journal's ninth class of Most Influential Women honorees.

The 20 women, who will be recognized at a Sept. 26 luncheon, are, in alphabetical order: Paula Adams, Penmac Personnel Services Inc.; Bonnie Bell, Meyer Communications Inc.; Judy Bilyeu, Metro Builders Supply; Kathy Clancy, Mayor's Commission on Human Rights, city of Springfield; Paula Dougherty, Ameriprise Financial; Cheryl L. Fitch, Oxford HealthCare; Jan Harper, Skaggs Community Health Center; Vickie Hicks, Kirkpatrick Phillips & Miller, CPAs PC; Tamera S. Jahnke, Missouri State University; Jennifer Kennally, United Way of the Ozarks; Kristin Kubitschek, Convoy of Hope; Angie Mullings, Century 21 Integrity Group; Jill Patterson, Greene County Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Jami Peebles, U.S. Bank; Kathie Peterie, Metro Credit Union; Theresa L. Pollard, Springfield's Best Inc.; JaDonna Rice, Ozark Bank; Vickie Shaffer, North American Marine Industries Inc.; Joan Whitaker, Whitaker Publishing LLC/316 Publishing LLC; and Cindy Whitten, Select Specialty Hospital.

This year's judges were: Jan Baumgartner, executive vice president of Springfield Bancshares Inc.; Daniel C. Burns, partner with Employee Benefit Design LLC; Geoffrey Butler, president and CEO of Butler, Rosenbury & Partners Inc.; Lynne Haggerman, president and owner of Haggerman & Associates LLC; and Donna J. Jones, regional development officer, American Red Cross, Greater Ozarks Chapter.

Nancy O'Reilly, Springfield-based psychologist and author, will be the keynote speaker at the luncheon, which also will include a silent auction to benefit Women In Need.

Tickets are \$35 apiece or \$300 for a table of 10 and are available at www.sbj.net or by calling (417) 831-3238.

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