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23 Business, Community Leaders Honored at Rochester Chamber Event

Awards included Small Business of the Year, Lifetime Achievement Award and Excellence in Dining honor.

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Winners of the Sunrise Pinnacle Awards, along with the award sponsors, are pictured at the Royal Park Hotel on Thursday morning. Credit [MG-Photography.com](#)

The Rochester community gathered early Thursday to honor the best and brightest in business, community service and nonprofit organizations in Rochester and Rochester Hills.

An audience of about 500 people attended the sixth annual Sunrise Pinnacle Awards at the [Royal Park Hotel](#). Organized by the Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by PNC Bank, the breakfast honored 23 local businesses, nonprofit organizations and outstanding citizens.

Here's a look at the winners, along with the sponsors of their awards:

- Huntington Bank Ambassador of the Year Award - **Erika Sklar**
- Paint Creek Center for the Arts - Arts & Cultural Award - **Rochester Avon Historical Society**
- Rochester Regional Chamber of Commerce Board Member of the Year Award - **Judge Nancy T. Carniak**
- Fox Automotive Business of the Year Award - **Parisian**
- PNC Bank Business Woman of the Year Award - **Shirley Gofrank**
- HealthPlus of Michigan Community Builder Award - **Paint Creek Bridge & River Walk Improvements by DDA/City of Rochester**
- Comcast Customer Service - **Penn Station East Coast Subs**
- C & G Newspapers/Rochester Post Diversity Award - **Lori Blaker**

- OU INC Economic Development Award - **Oakland County One Stop Shop**
- Oakland University Educator of the Year Award - **Dr. Rubel Shelly**
- EEI Global Excellence in Dining - **Silver Spoon**
- G & C Accounting Services PLC Going Green Award - **Colleen Brnabic**
- Crittenton Foundation Healthcare Professional of the Year Award - **Dr. David Bauer**
- JHP Pharmaceuticals Leadership Greater Rochester Award - **Lucia Zuzga**
- Beaumont Health System Lifetime Achievement Award - **Kathy White**
- The Oakland Press Marketing/Advertising of the Year Award - **Nederlander Company**
- Shelton Buick GMC Nonprofit Achievement Award - **Woman's National Farm & Garden Association**
- Tim Crawford Nationwide Insurance Outstanding Community Service Award - **Mary Jo Byrd**
- Talmer Bank & Trust Philanthropy Award - **Kidz1st Pediatrics**
- Gofrank & Mattina, P.C. Small Business of the Year Award - **Haig's of Rochester**
- Chad Rinke Edward Jones Investments Steady Growth & Profitability Award - **Kostal Kontakt Systeme, Inc.**
- Blue Cross Blue Shield Wellness at Work Award - **Bernie Hung**
- Franklin Title Agency, LLC Young Professional of the Year Award - **Jay Russ**

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