

This year we have the pleasure of honoring nine of Orange County's outstanding women, all of whom serve as role models for all people - young and old alike. We are proud to introduce the...

# 2004 HONOREES

Women of Achievement of Orange County



**Marcy Manheim**  
Communications

Marcy Manheim is the Public Relations and Marketing Director for Orange Regional Medical Center, a recent career shift that took place nine months ago. Marcy has been given the distinct privilege of building on an already structurally sound department in an effort to continually serve the organization and the community. Marcy says, "This move has been extremely exciting for me and I am looking forward to traveling an exhilarating road with organization and a mission I truly believe in."

Marcy was previously employed by the Times Herald-Record for fourteen years and served in various capacities from sales representative to Niche & Special Publications Manager to Regional Advertising Sales Manager. It was during this time that she became involved with several key organizations in Orange County.

Marcy's affiliation with the Orange County Chamber of Commerce, Inc. included participation on the Public Relations & Marketing Committee and the Chamber Ball Committee. In addition, she has been an active participant in the Chamber's annual membership drive since 2000, serving as team captain for three of the past four years.

Marcy is a graduate of the Leadership Orange class of 2000 and is currently a member of the Board of Directors. She serves as the Administration and Selection Chair, as well. In 2000, she was also a member of the Allocation Committee for the United Way of Orange County.

As an active member of the community in which she lives, Marcy has served as lay leader for the Pine Bush United Methodist Church, taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. She has also served on the Focus on Youth Initiative Committee in Pine Bush and has committed to participating on the Marketing Committee for the Town of Crawford's Boys and Girls Club.

Her nominator says, "Marcy has achieved great success in her career and gives back to the community in many ways . . . Marcy radiates confidence, knowledge and fun. What better traits could you ask for in a mother, wife and a professional marketer? She has demonstrated that today's woman can do it all - a true role model for women everywhere!" Marcy has an Associates degree from Mercer County Community College. She has also studied Leadership Skills and Training at the American Press Institute. Beginning fall 2004, Marcy will begin pursuing her Bachelor's degree in Public Relations & Marketing. Past employment also includes WALL/WKOJ Radio where she met her husband Gary. They have two children Zachary, 9 and Max, 3 and reside in Pine Bush.



**Donna Cornell**  
Business

Donna M. Cornell is the founder and President of the Cornell Career Center, headquartered in Newburgh, with locations in Georgia and Connecticut. Previously, she founded Career Directions USA and Circuit Technology Search, two successful staffing companies that Donna expanded and subsequently sold. Donna completed the Entrepreneurial Leadership Program at Harvard University, and through New York University holds the designations of both Certified Personnel Consultant and International Certified Personnel Consultant.

One of the founders of the Orange County Partnership, Donna served as first Chairman and helped develop the Partnership into one of the leading economic development organizations in the State of New York. Donna was instrumental in the revival of Newburgh-based Eastern Orange Chamber of Commerce, now the prestigious and effective Chamber of Commerce of Orange County.

Donna has shown her commitment to community through service on the Advisory Board of HUBCO Bank, SUNY MBA Advisory Board, Marist College Advisory Board, Mid Hudson Pattern for Progress, Orange County Workforce Development Board, Fleet Bank, the Hudson Valley Philharmonic, the Dutchess County Arts Council, Orange County Partnership, the Chamber of Commerce of Orange County, Family Health Center, and the Hudson Valley Technology Development Center. She co-chaired Orange County Community College's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, one of the biggest fundraisers in the College's history. She was able to make a critical link between the Family Health Center which provides medical care to all regardless of ability to pay and the financial support of Fleet Bank, and has been a Big Sister (mentor) through Orange County Big Brothers and Big Sisters for the past 9 years.

Listed in Who's Who of the Year, World's Who's Who of American Women and Strathmore Business Leaders in Notable American Women, World's Who's Who of American Women, Donna has been named *Business Leader of the Year* by the Orange/Rockland Arthritis Foundation, the Family Health Center Leader of the Year, as well as 2000 *Distinguished Citizen Award* for Hudson Valley Council of Boy Scouts and received citations of honor from the U.S. Congress. She has appeared on radio and television, CNN-fm and Lifetime TV, also as a guest columnist in the San Francisco Times, New York Times, Vault.com, Times Herald Record, Entrepreneur Magazine. Her nominator says, "She has achieved stellar success . . . while giving endlessly to her community and raising her family . . . without sacrificing her high ethics, integrity and values. . ."