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And the winner is ...

ESTABLISHED IN 2004, the Stevie Awards for Women in Business have become one of the most coveted business awards. Recognizing the accomplishments of outstanding women executives and business owners, and their companies, they have been likened to the Oscars.

In November, the Stevies were presented at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. Several Costco small-business members were among the honorees. Here is a partial list.

- Lisa Drucker, founder and president of Stroller Strides (www.strollerstrides.com): Best Overall Company of the Year, Services

- Delia Champion, founder of The Flying Biscuit Café (www.flyingbiscuit.com): Best Entrepreneur, Services

- Care.com (www.care.com): Best New Company of the Year

- Blue Vector (www.bluevector.com): Best Overall Company of the Year, Non-services

- Formotus (www.formotus.com): Technology Innovator of the Year

- Gail Goodman, CEO and founder of Constant Contact (www.constantcontact.com): Best Executive, Non-services

- Associated Builders and Contractors Women's Council (www.abcjax.com): Best Business Association of the Year

- Katy Thorban, senior vice president and general manager of Avenue A Razorfish (www.avenuea-razorfish.com): Best Executive, Services

- Linda Passante, managing partner, The Halo Group (<http://thehalogroup.net>): Best Entrepreneur, Advertising/Marketing & PR

For a complete list of finalists and Stevie Award winners, visit www.stevieawards.com/women. | 4