



**FemmePharma**  
GLOBAL HEALTHCARE, INC.

**FEMMEPHARMA, INC. CEO, GERIANNE TRINGALI DIPIANO, RECIPIENT OF PURPLE ASTER AWARD FROM SONS OF ITALY**

WAYNE, PA, May 17, 2004 – FemmePharma, Inc. President and CEO, Gerianne Tringali DiPiano, was honored by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Order, Sons of Italy in America as a recipient of the Purple Aster Award at the 21st Annual Purple Aster Awards Ball on May 15, 2004 at the Hyatt Regency, Penns Landing. Recipients are members of the Italian community and recognized for their business achievements as well as their civic contributions.

Ms. Tringlai DiPiano is the daughter of Joseph and Connie Tringali of Clarksville, Maryland. Her maternal and paternal grandparent emigrated from Sicily in the 1920's. They raised families in the United States and built successful businesses in Maryland. "My grandparents are the true honorees; they sacrificed and struggled to create an opportunity for future generations. This honor belongs to them," said Tringali DiPiano.

After an established career in senior executive positions for such international pharmaceutical companies as Baxter Healthcare, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Sterling-Winthrop and Wyeth-Ayerst, Tringali DiPiano founded FemmePharma in 1996. The Company is a specialty pharmaceutical company in late stages of development of products for the treatment of diseases and disorders disproportionately affecting women. The company is in a Phase III trial for FP1096, a new investigational treatment for endometriosis, and is preparing for a Phase II trial for its drug to treat female urinary incontinence. FemmePharma is devoted to developing safe and effective drugs that minimize or eliminate unpleasant side effects associated with many medications by designing them in a manner that is specifically suited to a woman's physiology, with an eye toward the changing needs of women throughout their lives. The Company has a number of drugs in development based on its proprietary technologies, including a new therapeutic option for fibrocystic breast disease.

Currently, Tringali DiPiano serves on the Board of Trustees for Drexel University and the Corporate Advisory Board of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation. She has been a Finalist in the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year for the Greater Philadelphia Region in 2002 and 2003 and has been recognized in "People to Watch in 2004" by Philadelphia Magazine. She is the 2004 recipient of the Iris Newman Award sponsored by the Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

Proceeds from the event benefited the Order's Charitable Education Trust. Other recipients honored were Gabriel L. I. Bevilacqua, Esq., Chancellor, Philadelphia Bar Association and Lisa Isgro Binder, Group Executive Vice President, Citizens Bank.....

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