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2009 Young Professionals Award Winners Announced

The Greater Watertown Jaycees, in partnership with the Jefferson-Lewis Workforce Investment Board, are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2009 Young Professionals Awards. This year's recipients are Ticia K. Marra, Brian J. Scott and Alicia M. Dewey.

Ticia K. Marra, owner of Ticia Marra's Studio, is selected for her outstanding leadership and efforts in promoting the areas arts and culture. Mrs. Marra is an accomplished singer and pianist teaching vocal and piano to area youth. She recently started "Ticia Marra's Stage Notes," a theatrical production company, with performances to benefit the Heather A. Freeman Foundation. Mrs. Marra's passion for the arts is exemplified in her ability to excite our areas youth to the theater and using this excitement to raise awareness and resources for community organizations.

Brian J. Scott, Divisional Vice President of Institutional Pharmacy Services for Kinney Drugs, Inc, was selected for his outstanding leadership in business. A registered pharmacist, Mr. Scott rose from staff pharmacist to store manager to his present position. Kinney's Institutional Pharmacy is a significant business for the regional, homegrown company, and has grown under Mr. Scott's leadership and entrepreneurial spirit. Mr. Scott serves on the Carthage Area Hospital Board of Directors, and is an active member of the Carthage Elks Lodge.

Alicia M. Dewey, co-founder of the Thousand Islands Young Leaders Organization, was selected for her outstanding leadership and volunteer work in her community. The Thousand Islands Young Leaders Organization is a civic group for young professionals in communities along the St. Lawrence River. Ms. Dewey is instrumental in engaging young professionals to take an active role in shaping the future of these communities. She is a 2008 graduate of the Jefferson Leadership Institute and is a volunteer for the Clayton Fire Department.

The Young Professionals Awards were created by the Greater Watertown Jaycees in 2007 to recognize our areas leaders under the age of 40. Recipients will be honored at a luncheon on Tuesday, May 19, noon, at the Black River Valley Club. The guest speaker is a former recipient of the Young Professionals Award, Mr. John Wicke, General Manager, Penski, Inc. Tickets are \$20 and registration forms are available at www.watertownjaycees.org.