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Lyn St. James named Women's Automotive Association International honorary Vice President of Women in Motorsports

Women's Automotive Association International supports the Women in the Winner's Circle Foundation 2007 event

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The Women's Automotive Association International (WAAI.com) has named race car driver Lyn St. James as honorary vice president of Women in Motorsports to the 2007 WAAI Board of Directors. Lyn St James' work to develop her Foundation's Driver Development Program for women race car drivers since 1994, and supporting these emerging women drivers is an important initiative for the Women's Automotive Association International. The Lyn St. James Driver Development program provides the most comprehensive educational and training program of its kind.

The Women's Automotive Association supports the Women in the Winner Circle Foundation and will attend the July 26th event in Indianapolis to present our annual "Deborah Renshaw - Women in Motorsport's Scholarship". The Celebration Luncheon is scheduled to be held in the Plaza Village Pavilion at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway July 26 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, with a Champion Driver Panel to be held from 2 pm to 3 pm.

"The Women's Automotive Association International is so pleased to have Lyn St James join our board in an honoray role and we are proud to be part of her annual event honoring women in motorsports," said Jody Devere, President of the WAAI. "By acknowledging the progress and accomplishments of women in this sport, as well as discussing the challenges ahead, we can further the sport for all women, as well as showcase another opportunity within the automotive industry."

The event will feature Lyn St. James, 1992 Indianapolis 500 Rookie of the Year; basketball legend and ESPN broadcaster Nancy Lieberman; Indianapolis Motor Speedway Historian and broadcaster Donald Davidson, as well as special guest, Denise McCluggage, the first woman inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame & racing legend (1950s and 1960s). Over 30 winning women drivers are also invited, including Sarah Fisher, Janet Guthrie, Erin Crocker, Allison Duncan, Milka Duno, Katherine Legge, Danica Patrick, and Melanie Troxel.

Proceeds from ticket and table sales will go to the Women in the Winner's Circle Foundation. Tickets prices are \$100.00. Nine-seat tables, with a guest driver in the tenth seat, can be purchased for \$1000.00. Tickets and sponsorships can be obtained through by visiting www.lynstjames.com, or by contacting Jody Devere, president of the WAAI.

About the Lyn St. James Foundation's Driver Development Program

Established in 1994, the Lyn St. James Foundation's Driver Development Program is the most comprehensive educational and training program of its kind. The four-day training courses include instruction in vehicle dynamics, on-track driving at various race tracks, instruction and debriefings by mechanics, mental and physical preparation, testing and training, public speaking and media training, seminars on the business of racing, and presentations by leaders in various areas of motor sports.

About the WAAI

The Women's Automotive Association International (WAAI) was founded in 1995 when Lorraine Schultz brought to life the vision of an organization dedicated to the development and advancement of women as automotive industry leaders. Today, the organization continues to thrive throughout the United States and Canada as the leading women's global organization dedicated to this purpose. The WAAI is a non-profit, professional society comprised of women who are key players in all aspects of the automotive industry.

The WAAI is dedicated to:

- recognizing the achievements of women in the automotive industry;
- providing education and news of particular interest to women in the industry;
- building relationships through networking opportunities and the other forums;
- encouraging growth through mentoring, educational endeavors and scholarships.

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