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## Elaine E. Bedel Honored with Hoosier Heritage Lifetime Achievement Award for 2015

Elaine E. Bedel, CFP<sup>®</sup>, CEO and president of Indianapolis-based Bedel Financial Consulting, Inc., has been selected to receive the Hoosier Heritage Lifetime Achievement Award for 2015. The award recognizes leaders who have contributed a significant portion of their lives toward the betterment of the Indianapolis community.

"Elaine Bedel was selected for her outstanding lifetime achievements in the financial industry," said Ruth Ann (Schroeder) Hankins, executive director, Heritage Place of Indianapolis, Inc. "Over the years, Elaine has held leadership positions on many local, national and international financial boards and associations, and her numerous publishing, speaking and media appearances have educated generations on current financial issues. Her professional lifetime achievements are only enhanced by the countless hours she has devoted to civic and community organizations."

Bedel's expertise as a financial advisor is frequently requested for speaking engagements and for interviews. She is featured on WTHR Channel 13's Your Money show every Wednesday and has authored a weekly financial planning column for Inside Indiana Business's e-newsletter, "The Inside Edge," since 2003.

She also plays an active role in the community serving on the boards of the Women's Fund of Central Indiana, Central Indiana Community Foundation, John H. Weidner Foundation, Goodwill Industries Foundation, Hanover College and Butler University School of Business. In addition, she has also served in a leadership role for community organizations such as Rotary Club of Indianapolis, WFYI Foundation, Community Hospitals Foundation, Eagle Creek Park Foundation, Indiana University School of Nursing, World Gymnastics Championships, and supported many other nonprofit organizations.

"Over the years I have been honored to receive awards relating to my profession, but being honored for service to my community is truly special," Bedel said.

Bedel and five other recipients of the prestigious award will be honored June 10 at the 31<sup>st</sup> Hoosier Heritage Night, an annual fundraising event hosted by Heritage Place, a non-profit organization serving older adults in the northern half of Marion County. Past recipients include Elizabeth K.M. Taylor, Frank Basile, Marianne Glick, Mickey Maurer, Thomas A. King, Amos C. Brown, Dr. Frank P. Lloyd, Jr., M.D. and Charlene and Joseph Barnette.

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