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**American Women in Radio and Television's Boston Chapter  
Announces the Appointment of  
WCVB NewsCenter 5 Co-Ancor Liz Brunner  
as Executive Vice President**



June 20, 2007-Boston, MA. The Boston Chapter of the American Women in Radio & Television announces the appointment of **WCVB's NewsCenter 5 Co-Ancor Liz Brunner** as Executive Vice President.

The **Boston Chapter of the American Women in Radio & Television (AWRT)** is one of the youngest and fastest growing chapters of the 56 year old professional association, dedicated to advancing women in media and entertainment. The chapter emerged in 2004, headed by **President Candy O'Terry** who is the Assistant Program Director of Magic 106.7/WMJX as well as an **11 time Gracie Allen Award winner** for her work as Creator/co-host of "Exceptional Women"...the nation's most successful radio program produced by and for women.

Earlier this year, the Boston chapter received a **B.E.L.L. Award** (Bringing Excellence to the Local Level) at the AWRT Leadership Summit in Washington D.C. for the highest percentage of enrolling members in 2006. In 2007, AWRT/Boston forges forward with the appointment of Ms. Brunner and the launch of several new initiatives including a new series titled "**BackStage at Scullers.**"

"Liz Brunner brings with her a wealth of talent and passion for the broadcasting industry," remarked chapter President Candy O'Terry. "She is someone everyone respects in Boston and we are 'over the moon' to have her on our board."

Liz Brunner became a co-anchor of **NewsCenter 5 at 5:30 and 11 PM** in April 2001. Prior to that, she had been co-anchor of the **EyeOpener** newscast, airing Monday through Friday at 5–7 AM, since October 1994. Brunner’s tenure at WCVB began in September 1993 as a reporter and fill-in anchor for WCVB-TV’s **Chronicle**, the nation’s only locally produced nightly television newsmagazine.

In 1995, Brunner received a **New England Emmy** for a **Chronicle** program “Cape Cod by Air.” She has also been honored for her community work, including a 1991 Communications Achievement Award from the American Women in Radio and Television. In addition, **Boston Magazine** named Liz Brunner the Best Newcomer to the Boston media market in August 1994.

Brunner is actively involved with the March of Dimes “WalkAmerica,” the American Heart Association’s “Heart Walk” and the Berkshire Hills Music Academy for Children With Williams Syndrome. During her tenure at WCVB, Brunner has been involved with the Walker Home and School in Needham, the Lupus Foundation of America, Massachusetts Chapter, and served on the Board of Directors for the YMCA Charles River Branch.

On August 16<sup>th</sup> 2007, AWRT/Boston will launch a new monthly series titled “**BackStage at Scullers.**” In partnership with **Scullers Jazz Club**, the series will feature intimate pre-show receptions featuring live interviews with some of the jazz world’s biggest names. The moderators will be Boston area radio and television personalities. On August 16<sup>th</sup>, **Magic 106.7’s Jackie Brush** will conduct a live interview with smooth jazz pioneers marking their 20<sup>th</sup> year in the business, **The Rippingtons** featuring **Russ Freeman**. On October R&B song stylist Bobby Caldwell will be the featured guest and on November 15<sup>th</sup>, **WFNX’s Jeff Turton** will speak with 8 time Grammy Award winning Latin jazz pianist **Eddie Palmieri** direct from Scullers stage in front of a live audience. More segments will be finalized and posted on [www.awrtboston.org](http://www.awrtboston.org) soon.

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For more information on AWRT/Boston chapter, including its members and events log on to <http://www.awrt.org> <<http://www.awrt.org/>> . For information on joining AWRT/New England and the benefits of membership contact Candy O’Terry at [coterry@magic1067.com](mailto:coterry@magic1067.com)

2007 marks the 56th Anniversary of American Women in Radio and Television (AWRT) Inc., the longest established professional association dedicated to advancing women in media and entertainment. AWRT carries forth its mission by educating, advocating and acting as a resource to its members and the industry at large. Founded in 1951, AWRT works to improve the quality of electronic media; promote the entry, development and advancement of women in the field; serve as a medium for communication and idea exchange; and become active in community concerns.

About The Foundation of AWRT: The Foundation of AWRT is the philanthropic arm of American Women in Radio and Television, supporting educational programs, charitable activities, public service campaigns and scholarships to benefit the public, the electronic media, entertainment and allied fields. The Foundation of AWRT has created strategic alliances and joint initiatives with the National Middle School Association, Emma Bowen Foundation, and the American Red Cross among others. The Foundation of AWRT supports several public service campaigns including most recently AWRT Empowering America, a radio PSA campaign which pays tribute to many of America’s most pioneering and inspiring women. Through this initiative, the Foundation of AWRT has adopted urban middle schools around the country and provided educational donations derived from collateral based on the Empowering America program. The Foundation also produces

nationally acclaimed recognition programs including the Gracie Allen Awards, a live, New York-based gala that recognizes exemplary programming created for, by, and about women.

For more information about AWRT and the Foundation of AWRT, call its headquarters at 703-506-3290, or visit its website at [www.awrt.org](http://www.awrt.org) <<http://www.awrt.org/>> .