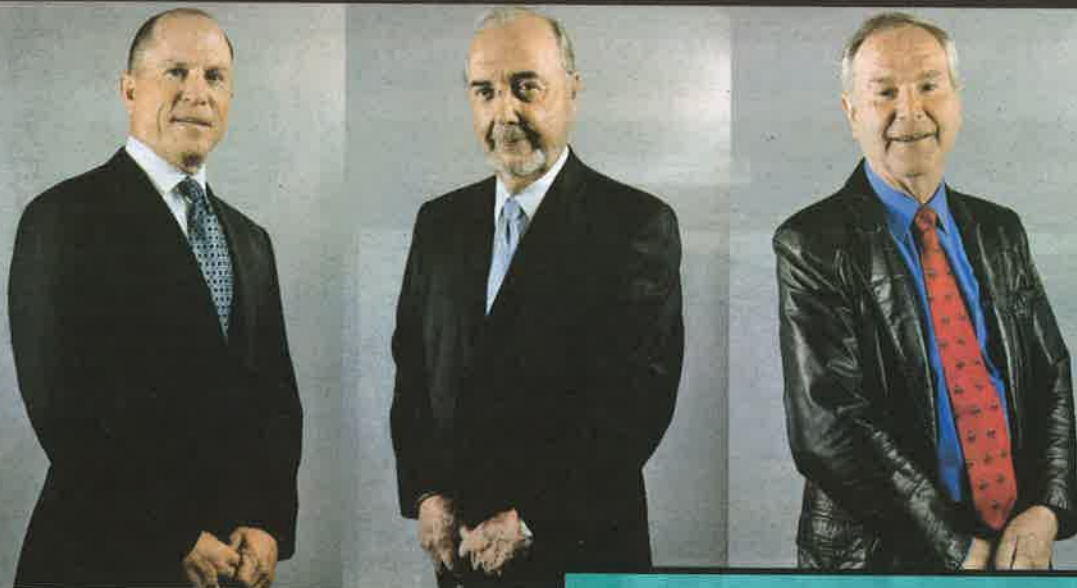
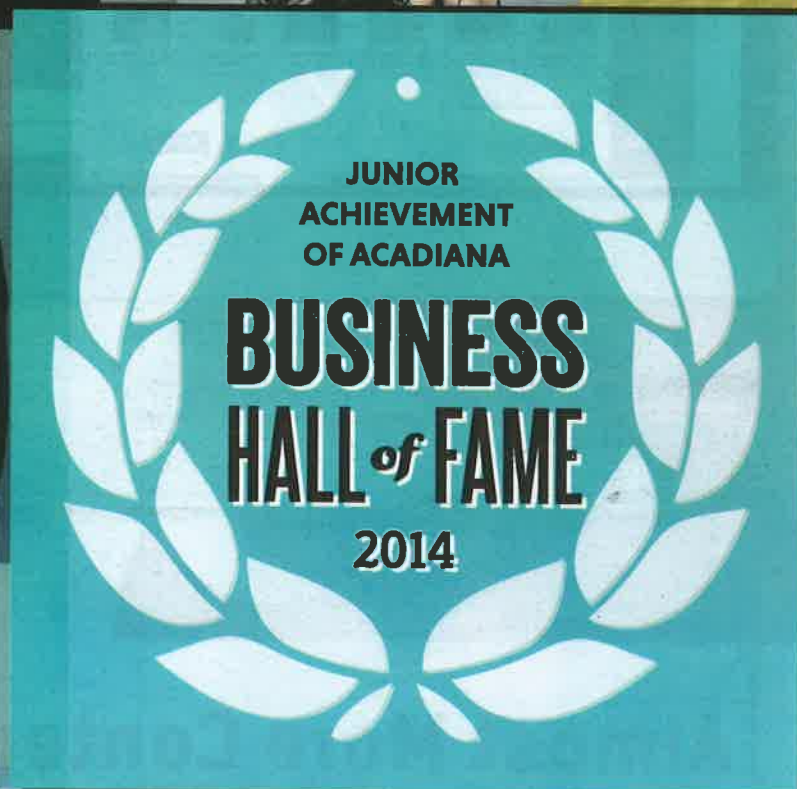


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BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR

Junior Achievement of Acadiana is proud to honor this year's Business Hall of Fame Business Person of the Year: Carolyn Doerle Schumacher of Doerle Food Service, LCC. The Business Person of the Year is awarded to someone forty or older who has in the past year successfully demonstrated leadership and vision as well as contributed to their community. Carolyn is Managing Director/C.E.O. of Doerle Food Services, LLC., a broadline food service distributor of food products and services covering parts of a six state area. Doerle operates from three facilities in Louisiana, with its corporate headquarters in Broussard, Louisiana. It was founded in 1950 by her father, Paul A. Doerle, Sr., and Carolyn represents the third generation of Doerle's who have been in the food service industry. In 2003, she acquired the company from family members and became a 100% woman-owned business. Under her leadership, along with an outstanding team of employees, the company has grown dramatically.

Prior to joining Doerle in 1980, Carolyn practiced as a psychiatric R.N. and an individual and family therapist for ten years, later obtaining a Master's degree from LSU. In 2013, she was honored as the Louisiana Woman Entrepreneur of the Year by the La. Center for Women in Government and Business. Her company has repeatedly been recognized for inclusion in the LSU 100 Fastest Growing Owned Businesses in the world, and ranked annually in the Top 10 listing of Acadiana's Top 50 Privately Held Businesses. Carolyn has also served on several trade boards, including as the first woman in its 97 year history to serve as Chair of IFDA, an international foodservice distributor association. In addition to her numerous career achievement awards, Carolyn is active in several philanthropic endeavors aiding the local community and those overseas. She is a long-standing supporter of Solomon House, a local outreach Brown Bag food ministry, volunteers for medical missions in the Dominican Republic, and is very active with the SOLT mission in Kobonal, Haiti, where she has provided food and other supplies for the last five years. In many ways, Carolyn has been a woman of distinction for her professionalism, entrepreneurship, civic involvement, and community leadership.



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CAROLYN DOERLE SCHUMACHER

Managing Director and C.E.O. of Doerle Food Service, LCC