Women of Achievement Awards 2009

Host YWCA Northern Rhode Island

## 5th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon

Nominate Her **Purchase Tickets** Underwrite Event

## Where

Kirkbrae Country Club Lincoln, RI

When Wednesday, September 30 11:30am - 1:30pm

## 2009 Categories

She promotes solutions to improve the lives of women, girls and people of color by:

- eliminating racism
- empowering women •
- promoting peace •
- promoting justice •
- promoting freedom •
- promoting dignity
- improving access to healthcare •
- increasing women's income
- protecting from hate crimes •
- strengthening affirmative action ٠
- supporting anti-violence policies and/or programs

## Contact

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eliminating racism empowering women



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## **Women of Achievement Awards**

nominate Rhode Island women promoting solutions to improve the lives of women, girls and people of color

YWCA Northern Rhode Island has been a voice for women and a force for change for over 86 years. YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice,

freedom and dignity for all. YWCA Women of Achievement Awards are recognized nationally as prestigious awards for women. They recognize the best in the accomplishments of women across industry, culture and public service in local communities.

#### criteria

Women of Achievement have made sustained commitments and promote solutions by showing vision, creativity, determination and initiative. They have achieved outstanding success:

- · demonstrating exceptional skills
- as a leader, role model or mentor
- · breaking new ground or old barriers
- as an agent for positive change
- by inspiring others

#### eligibility

A nominee must:

- · live and/or work in Rhode Island
- be a female adult
- consent in writing to the nomination and publication of her name/photo/narrative in connection with the award

• be willing to participate in media activities including photo session to be scheduled prior to Friday, September 11

• be available to attend the 5th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon at Kirkbrae Country Club on Wednesday, September 30

Note: YWCA membership is not necessary to nominate or receive YWCA Women of Achievement Awards

#### deadline

The nomination form and attachments must be received by 5pm on Friday, August 28.

#### selection process

An independent selection committee will select the award recipients from the qualified nominees in YWCA mission and advocacy categories: eliminating racism, empowering women, promoting peace, promoting justice, promoting freedom, promoting dignity,



improving access to healthcare, increasing women's income, protecting from hate crimes, strengthening affirmative action, and supporting antiviolence policies and/or programs.

The committee will review all nominations and follow the standards set by YWCA Northern Rhode Island.

Nominees may be asked to supply additional information if warranted. The committee reserves the right to move nominees from one category to another, as deemed appropriate. Awards will be given in each category unless, in the opinion of the committee, no award is merited. Judges' decisions are based on the information specified and submitted in the nomination package. The committee reserves the right to check nominee references and confirm all details provided. All decisions are final. Nominees and nominators will be informed immediately following the selection meeting.

#### recognition

All nominees are recognized by YWCA Northern Rhode Island. Winners are announced to the press and honored for their accomplishments at the 5th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon at Kirkbrae Country Club on Wednesday, September 30 (ticket complimentary).

#### tickets and opportunities

Award luncheon tickets are available at www.womenofachievementri.org. A portion of each ticket is tax deductible (approximately \$30 per \$50 ticket) and proceeds benefit YWCA Northern Rhode Island.

Other opportunities are available including underwriting, table of tribute and business directory. For details, contact Lisa Piscatelli at 401-769-7450 or e-mail woa@ywcanri.org.

#### helping hands

To thank a special friend of YWCA Northern Rhode Island, a helping hands presentation will be made to an organization, business, volunteer, member, employee of the year, person in public service or a woman in legacy.

## nomination form, 2009

nominee information Name: Title: Organization: Award Category: Address: City/State/Zip: Phone: E-mail:

Signature:

## nominator information Name: Title: Organization:

Address: City/State/Zip: Phone: E-mail: Signature:

key questions for nominee's narrative:

a) How do you empower women and/or eliminate racism? b) What inspires your work? c) Describe a notable moment for you? d) What advice do you have for others?

### other potential topics for nominee's narrative:

a) excellent accomplishments; b) evidence of leadership, role model or mentoring; c) expertise in field; d) path to success including obstacles;
e) community service; f) legacy to community;
g) examples of how your life and/or work exemplifies YWCA's mission and/or advocacy.

#### nominator statement:

What do you admire about the nominee?

**documentation:** (attach at least one) references, support letters, awards, resume, etc.

- nomination package includes award nomination form, nominee narrative, nominator statement and documentation
- deliver to YWCA by mail or hand by 5pm on Friday, August 28: Women of Achievement Awards, c/o YWCA Northern Rhode Island, 514 Blackstone Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895

Nominee and nominator must sign form. Signatures confirm accuracy of all materials submitted; provide consent for the publication of name, narrative, statement and photo in connection with the YWCA Women of Achievement Awards 2009; and guarantee attendance of the 2009 Women of Achievement at the 5th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon.

# **Tools of the Trade Luncheon**

participation options

## tickets

September is Women of Achievement Month. Join YWCA in an awards celebration at the 5th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon. Tickets are available or reserve a Table of Tribute to honor an inspirational woman in your life.

### underwriting

This event gathers a community-minded audience. The program is also mailed in special magazine format, *She Shines*, to an established mailing list of 8,000 people. Visit www.sheshines.org for details about this award winning local magazine of women's issues. By underwriting the 5th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon, you: 1) provide philanthropic investment in the Rhode Island community. Proceeds support YWCA Northern Rhode Island, over 86 years as a voice for women and a force for change. 2) demonstrate your company, organization or self as an outstanding citizen. 3) connect with community. 4) align with YWCA Northern Rhode Island. YWCA is the nation's oldest and largest women's movement. 5) receive a public thank you from YWCA Northern Rhode Island. 6) help achieve equality for women, girls and people of color.

SPECTACULAR	\$5,000 table of ten - 10 luncheon tickets, signage on table full-page color program ad (back 10"w x 10.5"h) or (inside covers 10"w x 12"h)
STAR	\$2,000 table of ten - 10 luncheon tickets, signage on table full-page (10"w x 12"h) black/white program ad
SILVER	\$1,500 table of ten - 10 luncheon tickets, signage on table half-page (10"w x 6"h) black/white program ad
SHINING	\$1,000 table of ten - 10 luncheon tickets, signage on table third-page (7.5"w x 5.25"h) black/white program ad
SINCERE	\$500 four tickets to the luncheon quarter-page (5"w x 4.5"h) black/white program ad
SMILE	\$450 - table of tribute A table at the luncheon is an ideal way to honor an inspiring woman in your life. Attach a separate page with her name and a special message for publication (60 word maximum). ten luncheon tickets, corsage, listing in the program
SISTER	\$250 two tickets to the luncheon eighth-page (2.25" x 3.25") black/white program ad
SALUTE	\$200 - business directory A program listing shows your interest in improving the lives of women, girls and people of color. Include: company name, address, phone, website, contact name and title, e-mail and/or message (60 word maximum). two luncheon tickets and listing in business directory
SHARING	\$175 <i>(for a nonprofit organization)</i> two tickets to the luncheon eighth-page (2.25" x 3.25") black/white program ad
SUPPORT	\$50 - individual ticket

## event participation form, 5th Annual

YWCA Northern Rhode Island is celebrating the achievements of Rhode Island women promoting solutions to improve the lives of women, girls and people of color. The event emcee is Deb Ruggiero, host/creator of the award winning radio show *Amazing Women*. The awards luncheon will be held at Kirkbrae Country Club on Wednesday, September 30, 2009.

11:30am noon 12:15pm 1:30pm	registration/networking luncheon presentation of awards closing	
Contact: Company: Address: Phone: E-mail: Authorizing Sign		
Enclosed is \$	for underwriting level: (attach ad copy)	
Enclosed is \$4 (attach name an	450 for table of tribute d message)	
Enclosed is \$2 (attach company)	200 for business directory r information)	
□ Enclosed is \$_	for individual ticket(s)	
□ I can't attend but would like to donate \$ in honor of:		
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Attendees: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.		
writing, table of u Make check payad Mail to Women Northern Rhode Woonsocket, RI 02 401-769-7450, e	received by September 16 for under- tribute, business directory or tickets. ble to YWCA Northern Rhode Island. of Achievement Awards, c/o YWCA Island, 514 Blackstone Street, 1895. For details call Lisa Piscatelli at mail woa@ywcanri.org or visit ievementri.org. Form may be faxed to	

401-769-7454. All tickets will be held at the door.