Women of Achievement Awards

nominate philanthropic women who have shown kindness, charitable concern, and generosity toward other people in an effort to impact their community.

YWCA Northern Rhode Island has been a voice for women and a force for change for over 87 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, October 8
- be available to attend the 6th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon at Kirkbrae Country Club on Wednesday, October 20 (ticket complimentary).

deadline
The nomination form and attachments must be received by 5pm on Friday, September 24.

selection process
An independent selection committee will select the award recipients from the qualified nominees in the following time, talent, and treasure categories: mentor, volunteer, connector, gift donor, financial donor, business woman, political participant, witness for a cause, advocate for a cause, champion for raising awareness of racism, and promoter of causes/programs that benefit women and girls.

A nominee may be considered in more than one category.

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 6th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon at Kirkbrae Country Club on Wednesday, October 20.

tickets and opportunities
Award luncheon tickets are available at www.womenofachievementsri.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, 2010

nominator information
Name: 
Title: 
Organization: 
Address: 
City/State/Zip: 
Phone: 
E-mail: 
Signature: 

nominator statement: How does the nominee give of her time, talent, and/or treasure?

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

nominee’s narrative: Answering these questions is not required but aids in the selection process.

key questions: a) How do you empower women and/or eliminate racism through philanthropy? b) How have you shown kindness, charitable concern, and generosity toward other people in an effort to impact the community? c) What inspires your work? d) Describe a notable moment for you? e) What advice do you have for others?

other topics: a) excellent accomplishments; b) evidence of leadership, as role model, or mentoring; c) expertise in field; d) path to success including obstacles; e) community service; and f) legacy to community.

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

- Nomination Package includes nomination form, a nominator statement, a concise narrative from nominee, and supporting documentation.

- Deadline: 5pm on Friday, September 24 to Women of Achievement Awards, c/o YWCA Northern Rhode Island, 514 Blackstone Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895; email woa@ywcanri.org; or fax to 401-769-7454.

Nominee and nominator must sign form. Signatures confirm accuracy of all submitted materials; provide consent for the publication of name, narrative, statement, and photo in connection with YWCA Women of Achievement Awards 2010; and guarantee attendance at the 6th Annual Tools of the Trade Luncheon. Visit www.womenofachievementsri.org. For details, contact Lisa Piscatelli at 401-769-7450 or woa@ywcanri.org.

Note: The provided information may be published in She Shines magazine. Visit www.sheshines.org.