



Category Criteria for Cedar Valley Women of Persimmon Awards

1. Consideration will be given to the ways in which the nominees exemplify the mission and vision of the YWCA. The nominee's contributions and the degree of impact of her achievements may be in her neighborhood, community, state or nation. Those "behind the scenes" women as well as those in the public eye should be considered.
2. The nominee must be a resident and/or work in the Cedar Valley area. Students attending educational institutions in Black Hawk or Bremer counties are also eligible.
3. If not selected as a Woman of Persimmon recipient, an individual may be nominated either in the same or in a different category in future years. Past Cedar Valley Women of Persimmon recipients are eligible to be nominated in another category after five years.

2010 Cedar Valley Women of Persimmon Award Categories

Professional/Business Woman – Women will be considered from all levels in the business world: business owners, managers, employees and entrepreneurs. Nominees may be employed by profit or non-profit organizations and demonstrate their professionalism through commitment, organization effectiveness and ethical leadership.

Volunteer Service – Any woman who has made a significant volunteer contribution to her community, without expecting remuneration.

Young Woman of Tomorrow – Any young woman (age 15-25 years old) who has demonstrated exceptional leadership, scholastic ability, volunteer service and/or special achievements.

Youth Advocate – Any woman who is an advocate for the health and well-being of youth, either by engaging in advocacy efforts on behalf of youth or working directly with young people through nurture, empowerment and inspiration.

Business/Organization that Empowers Women – Any business or organization that has proven its dedication to the advancement of women by empowering them socially, economically and professionally.

Past Award Recipients –

Professional/Business Woman – Belinda Creighton-Smith, Kim Young-Kent, Charletta Sudduth

Volunteer Service – Susie Heaton, Crystal Buzza, Christine Carpenter

Young Woman of Tomorrow – Laura Edwards, Alesha Jones, Nikki Ann Bornong

Youth Advocate – Karen Grode, Rita Ferneau, Marcia Borwig

Business/Organization that Empowers Women – Seeds of Hope, Juliette Low Society, Iowa Heartland Habitat for Humanity

Nomination Form

Cedar Valley Women of Persimmon

April 8, 2010

Nomination Information & Guidelines

1. Nominations are due Friday, February 19, 2010 to:
Lucinda M Mohr, Executive Director or lmohr@ywcabhc.org
YWCA of Black Hawk County
425 Lafayette
Waterloo, IA 50703
 2. Please feel free to involve the nominee in preparing the nomination material.
 3. Selection is based on information provided in areas noted as A, B and C (see following)
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Nomination Requirements

Please provide complete information for the following (type or print):

A. Biographical Information:

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Fax/E-mail: _____

Business/organization affiliation: _____

Title: _____

Nominated by: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Fax/E-mail: _____

Business/organization affiliation: _____

Title: _____

B. Nomination for:

(please check one)

- Professional/Business Woman
- Volunteer Service
- Young Woman of Tomorrow
- Youth Advocate
- Business/Organization that Empowers Women

