

Press Release

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YWCA of Silicon Valley celebrates the 24th Annual Tribute to Women (TWIN) Awards

San Jose, California – May 16, 2008- Forty-nine outstanding top-level executive women from Silicon Valley were honored by the YWCA of Silicon Valley, May 15, 2008 at the 24th Annual Tribute to Women (TWIN) Awards dinner and program held at the San Jose Fairmont Hotel. The YWCA is proud to have had IBM as the Presenting Sponsor for the 2008 Tribute to Women Awards. During the evening, honorees, top company executives, and guests heard from Joanne Wright, IBM Director, ISC WW Storage Systems and Site Executive for IBM Cottle Road, and Keri Proconier McLain, Ph.D., CEO, YWCA of Silicon Valley. Laura Garcia-Cannon, Morning News Anchor, NBC 11, was mistress of ceremonies for the event.

The evening was highlighted by a video produced and donated by NBC11 featuring each honoree. This past April, the honorees, YWCA employees and board members joined to celebrate the honorees at a luncheon in their honor. Gilead Sciences, Inc. sponsored the private Honoree reception held right before the awards began. Other top sponsors included the San Jose Mercury News, Adobe Systems Incorporated, Applied Materials, Inc., EMC Corporation, KLA-Tencor Corporation, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, Sun Microsystems, Inc. and Xilinx, Inc.

The Tribute to Women Awards Program (TWIN), now in its 24th year, has long been considered one of Silicon Valley's most prestigious awards. The purpose of the TWIN Awards Program is to honor women who exemplify excellence in executive-level positions and the companies who employ them. The Honorees are chosen blindly by a committee of former TWIN Honorees, based on the outstanding achievements and critical contributions they have made to their organization. TWIN Honorees represent most of the major companies in the Valley. This award is not only an excellent way for an organization to demonstrate the esteem in which it holds its female executives, but allows the company to be recognized for providing career opportunities for women in business and leadership in the community.

For further information about the event, contact the YWCA Development Department at (408) 295-4011, x216 or events@ywca-sv.org.

Funds generated through the TWIN Awards program support the programs and services of the YWCA of Silicon Valley. Whether working with children and teens at seven Child Care Centers or in Youth Services programs, through our Rape Crisis Centers and sexual assault awareness and prevention programs, or through our Counseling and Family Services programs, all infused by our Social and Racial Justice program, 24,000 community members are impacted annually.

For over 100 years the YWCA of Silicon Valley has been proud to provide services throughout Santa Clara County through our mission to empower women, children, and families, and eliminate racism, hatred, and prejudice. While the special concerns of women provide the impetus for the YWCA services, programs are open to everyone. The YWCA of Silicon Valley is located at 375 South 3rd Street, San Jose, CA 95112.

More information about this event can be found on our website at www.ywca-sv.org.

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2008 Tribute to Women (TWIN) Honorees



Katharine Augason, Director, Program Management, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company
Susan M. Autio, Sr. Director Engineering & Manufacturing Development, DURECT Corporation
Jeanne Beliveau-Dunn, General Manager, Learning@Cisco, Cisco
Jeanette Blomberg, Manager, Service Practices, IBM Almaden Research Center
Pati Boucard, Director, Corporate Factory Automation, KLA-Tencor Corporation
Gay P. Brasher, Director/Coach, Speech and Debate, San Jose Unified School District
Susan Bukunt, Director, Clinical Effectiveness, El Camino Hospital
Nancy Bussani, Associate VP for Advancement Operations, San Jose State University Tower Foundation
Sheryl Chamberlain, Director Technology Alliances, EMC Corporation
Laura Clayton, Vice President, Services Business Development, IBM
Janet Collinson, Sr. Vice President, Human Resources and Facilities, Synopsys, Inc.
Cheryl Cook, Vice President, U.S. Sales Region, Sun Microsystems
Helyn Corcos, Vice President, Investor Relations, Symantec Corporation
Seham El-Diwany, M.D., Director of Teen Health Center, The Permanente Medical Group, Kaiser San Jose
Stephanie J. Fohn, President and CEO, WhiteHat Security, Inc.
Alana Forrest, Police Captain, Los Gatos/Monte Sereno Police Department
Beverly Glasser, Senior Director I.T. Change and Release Management, Sun Microsystems
Andrea E. Gomez, Director, Group Sales, The Fairmont Hotel, San Jose
Paula W. Hamm, Vice President, Education Services, Symantec Corporation
Erin L. Hintz, Vice President, Worldwide Consumer Marketing, Symantec Corporation
Tina Jones, Senior Vice President, Global Human Resources, Cadence Design Systems, Inc.
Judith A. Kay, Vice President, Corporate Marketing, JDSU
Siobhan Kenney, Senior Manager, Global Community Affairs, Applied Materials, Inc.
Noreen Krall, Vice President and Chief Intellectual Property Counsel, Sun Microsystems
Amy Laden, Director of International Services, Interplast
Julie Larsen, Senior Director Customer Advocacy Technical Support Web, Cisco
Kristina Lauraitis, Director, Technology Dev. & Integration, ATC, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Co.
Elaine Lennox, VP, Marketing Management, Enterprise Systems, IBM Systems & Technology Group
Jane E. Light, Library Director, City of San Jose
Jackie Lowther, Chief Nursing Officer, Good Samaritan Hospital
Sandra Mahadwar, Senior Director, Human Resources, KLA-Tencor Corporation
Debra Martucci, CIO & Vice President of Information Technology, Synopsys, Inc.
Debra Matsuhira, Senior Director, Operations, MDP and FEP Business Unit, Applied Materials, Inc.
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Karin L. Roache, Director, HR Strategic & Special Projects, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company
Mary Simon, Executive Director, Resource Area for Teaching (RAFT)
Jolene Smith, Executive Director, FIRST 5 Santa Clara County
Mary M. Solseng, Assistant Assessor, Santa Clara County Assessor's Office
Karen Tegan Padir, VP, Software Infrastructure, Sun Microsystems
Beverly Tyrrell, Director, IMS, IBM
Dr. Johanna VanderMolen, Superintendent, Campbell Union School District
Taiyin Yang, Ph.D., Senior VP, Pharmaceutical Development and Manufacturing, Gilead Sciences, Inc.