

Time to update you on all the exciting events that have happened and will happen in 2008: from our "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" event on April 9th to the empowering Tribute To Women (TWIN) Awards dinner on May 15th, to the upcoming 18th Annual Luncheon to be held on October 29th (the most powerful non-profit luncheon in Silicon Valley!).

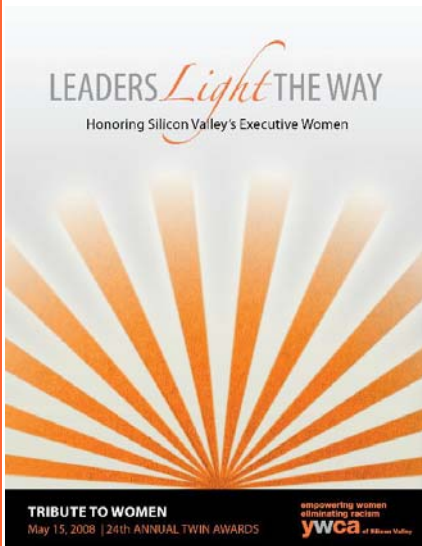
18th Annual Luncheon - Wednesday October 29, 2008



SAVE THE DATE.

Mark your calendars now to spend an afternoon with the incomparable Alfre Woodard, the highly-acclaimed stage, screen and television actress. Not only does she have four Emmy's, a Golden Globe Best Actress award, a Screen Actors Guild Award and two ACE Awards, she also is one of the founders of the Artists for a New South Africa (ANSA). ANSA is a non-profit organization founded in 1989 dedicated to combating the African AIDS pandemic and advancing democracy and equality in South Africa. She stands for furthering civil rights and safeguarding voting rights, supporting the struggle against apartheid, assisting AIDS orphans and educating and empowering disadvantaged youth. Ms Woodard clearly reflects the mission of the YWCA.

24th Annual Tribute to Women (TWIN) Awards



An incredible night was shared by all 800 who attended this amazing event at the beautiful Fairmont Hotel in San Jose, honoring 49 of the Valley's most talented women!

These women represent a multitude of businesses who mentor, lead, motivate and impact their communities with truly inspiring stories of success. The TWIN awards exemplify excellence in women at executive-level positions as well as recognize the companies that encourage and support the success of women.

A special thank you to our top sponsors IBM and Gilead for their support. To find out more about how you can nominate someone for this prestigious award please visit our website at www.ywca-sv.org.

WALK A MILE IN HER SHOES

APRIL 9, 2008

Over 400 walkers participated in this year's Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event! Over 300 men were 'man enough' to walk in women's shoes to support the

YWCA's Rape Crisis Center. This outstanding group of women and men took a stand to prevent these horrific crimes of hate and violence and helped empower victims to regain their lives again!



Our event co-chairs, Police Chief Rob Davis, Fire Chief Darryl VonRaesfeld, AMR's Wayne Davis, Joint Venture Silicon Valley CEO Russ Hancock, Photographer Chris Johnson and San Jose Convention & Visitors' Bureau CEO Dan Fenton, helped plan, support and create an important yet lighthearted approach to bringing awareness to this critical issue in our community.

A special thank you to our partners NBC11, Team San Jose, Joseph George, Kaiser Permanente, The City of San Jose, M.E. Fox, Inc., Starbuck's and KBay radio.



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Without your financial support, the vital services we provide cannot continue. They include: Rape Crisis, Youth Services, Family Services, Child Care Centers, Counseling and so much more.

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Please visit our website at www.ywca-sv.org to contribute and find out about all the services we provide to meet our mission statement:

"to empower women, children and families, and to eliminate racism, hatred and prejudice."

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The YWCA of Silicon Valley

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To make a tax deductible donation.

Please remember us in your will and your estate planning. With your new or continued support, we can all look to a brighter future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keri".

**Keri Procnier McLain Ph.D.
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