

**YWCA OF LANCASTER
110 N. LIME STREET
LANCASTER, PA 17602**

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: JUNE 2, 2010

Contact: John Jascoll, Director of Development and Communications
Phone: 717-393-1735 ext. 227
Fax: 717-396-0513
Email: jjascoll@ywcalancaaster.org
Website: www.ywcalancaaster.org

YWCA Annual Meeting awards presented

LANCASTER, PA – The YWCA of Lancaster recently presented its outstanding citizen and volunteer awards during its 2010 Annual Meeting at the Association’s building on North Lime Street in downtown Lancaster.

Dorothy Lyet received the YWCA 2010 Citizen of the Year Award in recognition of her profound influence for the betterment of the community and in appreciation of her loyalty and support of the goals and ideals of the YWCA of Lancaster. Executive Director Maureen Powers said, “This is well deserved. Dottie has been a wonderful friend and supporter of the YWCA for many, many years. We are lucky to have someone like her in our community.”

Susquehanna Bank received the YWCA 2010 Corporate Citizen of the Year Award in recognition of its actions for the betterment of the community through support of the social services, especially those dedicated to Lancaster’s most vulnerable populations. YWCA Finance Director Angie Lightfoot Roth said, “Susquehanna Bank has provided support for both sides of our mission, empowering women and eliminating racism, by contributing to our Pre-K Scholarship Fund and sponsoring our Race Against Racism. They have constantly approached us on how they can help further both sides of our mission, eliminating racism and empowering women.”

The President’s 2010 Award was presented to retiring YW Board member Flora Poulos. Outgoing Board President Colleen Milligan said, “Flora has devoted much of her life to empowering young women and helping them reach their full potential, first of all with the Girl Scouts and then with the YWCA. A hard working volunteer and Board member, Flora may be retiring but we’re not letting her go.”

Dr. Rita Smith Wade-EI, professor and director of African American Studies at Millersville University received the YWCA 2010 Racial Justice Award. YW Board member Darlene Colon said Dr. Wade-EI has worked with the YW Racial Justice committee for over eight years and has developed the anti-bias curriculum for middle as well as elementary schoolchildren spreading the word that “we are all different and all the same”.

Laura Korach Howell, Judy Pehrson and Sherry Sensenig received Yellow Rose Volunteer Awards for their dedication and service to the YWCA.

YWCA Yellow Bud Volunteer Awards were presented to the Akron and Solanco Big Sisters for their outstanding dedication as youth volunteers in the YWCA Sisters mentoring program.

Retiring members of the Board of Directors, Charito Calvachi-Mateyko, Sandra Cauler, Sonhui Frill, Bonnie Sowers Giurlando, Laura Korach Howell and Flora Poulos were also recognized at the meeting, as were retiring Trustees Linda Castagna and Chris deVitry .

End.



Community Reinvestment Manager Marilyn Hedge (left) on behalf of Susquehanna Bank accepts the 2010 YWCA Corporate Citizen of the Year Award from YW Finance Director Angie Lightfoot Roth.



Retiring YW Board member Flora Poulos (left) receives the 2010 YWCA President's Award from outgoing YW Board President Colleen Milligan.



Dr. Rita Smith Wade-EI (left) receives the 2010 YWCA Racial Justice Award from YW Board member Darlene Colon.