

## 21st ANNUAL WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON AND AWARDS CEREMONY

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## NOMINATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR 21st ANNUAL ALAMEDA COUNTY WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME

The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Alameda County Women's Hall of Fame luncheon and awards ceremony will be held Saturday, March 29, 2014, at the Greek Orthodox Cathedral on Lincoln Avenue in Oakland. The event will be hosted by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors and the Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women.

**Nominations are now being accepted** for outstanding women in 12 categories: Business and Professions; Community Service; Culture and Art; Education; Environment; Health; Justice; Non-Traditional Careers; Science, Technology, Engineering; Sports and Athletics; Philanthropy and Youth.

## The deadline to submit nominations is November 22, 2013.

The program raises money for local charities addressing issues affecting women and children. In 2014, the Women's Hall of Fame will also continue its commitment to youth by sponsoring a Youth Scholarship to help an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade female student further her education. About 500 people attended the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in Oakland in March 2013. Event proceeds helped the Women's Hall of Fame provide \$2,500 donations to each of four local charities, plus a \$2,000 scholarship to the 2013 Youth inductee, Alice V. Deng of Pleasanton.

"The Women's Hall of Fame event has been growing steadily each year – drawing more interest from the community and raising more contributions for some very important charity organizations benefiting women and families," said Susan S. Muranishi, Alameda County Administrator and Co-Chair of the Women's Hall of Fame. "Our goal for 2014 is to create a very special event that will bring the Women's Hall of Fame to a new level of success."

Aisha Knowles, Chair of the Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women, said: "We are very excited to be hosting another Women's Hall of Fame celebration, which is always one of the highlights of spring. In 2014, we will again shine the spotlight on a group of remarkable women who are doing amazing things in our community."

The 2014 Women's Hall of Fame inductees will be announced in January and will be honored at the March 29, 2014 event. Visit our website at <a href="http://www.acgov.org/cao/halloffame/">http://www.acgov.org/cao/halloffame/</a> to submit an online nomination or to obtain more information, or call (510) 272-6984.