



SOROPTIMIST

Best for Women

*Haldimand-Norfolk "Women of Excellence" Awards  
2010*

**Suggested Nomination Category:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please select ONLY ONE category. The Committee reserves the right to change category of the nominee)

**Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

(First Name)

(Last Name)

**Address (Residence):** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

THIS FORM CANNOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE NOMINEE'S SIGNATURE

**A Nominee's signature represents their consent to:**

\*The publication of her name and photo in connection with Haldimand-Norfolk 2010 Women of Excellence Awards Program ( All names and photos of nominees will be published in local media and all information submitted to Soroptimist International of Haldimand-Norfolk become public information:

\*To Attend the Women of Excellence Awards Champagne Brunch on April 17, 2010.

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

(First Name)

(Last Name)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

(First Name)

(Last Name)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**For more information, please contact:**

**Chair: Rhonda Theoret-Arnott, 519-952-0244**

**or Hannelore Nyman 519-756-5578**



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### **Information Package for Nominators**

#### **Contents**

- 1. Who are Women of Excellence?**
- 2. The Nomination Package**
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#### **Soroptimist Mission Statement**

To improve the lives of women and girls, in local communities and around the world.

#### **Event Mission Statement**

The Soroptimist International of Haldimand-Norfolk's Women of Excellence event is a fundraising celebration that supports the status and human rights of women and girls in our local communities.

#### **1. Who are Women of Excellence?**

Women of Excellence:

- are role models
- contribute to the advancement of women and the quality of women's lives
- demonstrate initiative and a pioneering spirit
- has commitment to her community
- is an outstanding achiever in one of the award categories
- has made her contribution in Haldimand or Norfolk County
- be 19 years of age or older
- consents to her nomination by signing the Nomination Form
- agrees with the mission of the Soroptimist International
- is currently not holding elected public office
- nominee may not be a current staff member of Soroptimist International of the Americas, CD98.9 in Simcoe, Moose FM92.9 in Caledonia, or a member of the judging panel.
- nominations have no posthumous provision

## **2. Criteria for Nomination Letter should include:**

- Contribution as a Role Model for Other Women
- Contribution to the Well-being of the Community
- Individual Achievements

## **3. The Nomination Package**

a) Nomination forms are available at any Haldimand-Norfolk Library, CD98.9 in Simcoe, and [www.cd989.com](http://www.cd989.com) or contact Hannelore at 519-756-5578 for the appropriate form before February 19, 2010

b) The **Statement of Nomination** should follow the headings on the nomination form. Nominators should look at the criteria of what is a woman of excellence (previous page) The nominator statement consists of 800 typed words (approx.2 pages) maximum – it can certainly be shorter if you have covered all the points about the accomplishments of your nominee.

Interview your nominee – ask her each of the headings as a question – for example “How have you educated, supported and encouraged your female peers?” Use her answers to form the Statement of Nomination. As you interview her you may also find she has additional accomplishments.

c) Please include an up-to-date Resumé or Biography for your nominee and a **recent head shot photo**.

d) The two to four Letters of Support should confirm the content of the Statement of Nomination and should come from sources other than the nominator. Choose supporters carefully and if possible provide them with a copy of the nomination form and the statement of nomination. This can help them cover specific points raised in the Statement. The letters should refer to your nominee by name, refer to the Women of Excellence award and to the accomplishments of your nominee.

#### **4. The Nomination Package Checklist**

Only the following items will be considered by the selection panel.

- Statement of Nomination
- Resume or biography
- A recent head shot photo
- Two to four letters of support

**We regret that no other material (such as videotapes, portfolios, press clippings, photos, etc.) can be considered.**

Please ensure that the nomination package has:

- Two nominators
- nominators' full contact information, including mailing addresses, telephone numbers and email address,
- The Category selected,
- Nominee's signature (the person that has been nominated)

The nomination form is available at:

- all Haldimand-Norfolk Libraries
- CD 98.9 55 Park Road, Simcoe

Deadline for nominations is **February 19, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.**

**Recipients are announced at the Women of Excellence Awards** event on Saturday April 17, 2010 at Army-Navy-Air Force Unit 255, 55 Water Street, Simcoe, (Colver Street Entrance)

Thank you for taking the time to nominate. If you have any questions, or desire tickets for this exciting event, please contact:

Rhonda Theoret-Arnott 519-952-0244  
Chair of Haldimand-Norfolk " Women of Excellence Awards"

## *Award Categories*

Do you know a woman of excellence, who sets an example in one of these categories?

### **Life Time Achievement**

This award is given to a woman who has continuously demonstrated her life long commitment to her community with excellence.

### **Volunteerism**

For outstanding voluntary commitment to and involvement in social services, programs and/or organizations within the community.

### **Education, Training and Mentoring**

For outstanding achievement in practice, development and/or research in the education system, employee development, community education or alternative programs.

### **Business, Professionalism**

For leadership and consistent commitment to excellence. An individual who leverages her achievements and management skills to facilitate change, she creates opportunities in either the profit or the not for profit sectors. This woman demonstrates a respect for and engagement with her community, clients/stakeholders and colleagues.

### **Arts, Culture and Heritage**

For outstanding achievement in the expression, development, preservation, patronage and/or promotion of the performing, visual, literary or multi-media arts and/or cultural heritage.

### **Health and Wellness**

For outstanding achievement in the promotion, education and/or involvement in the physical, emotional and/or spiritual health and well being of others.

### **Sports and Recreation**

For a woman who has excelled in a sport or recreation by personal achievement or outstanding achievement in the promotion, mentoring or involvement with others.