

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**  
**MAINE BREAST HEALTH COOPERATIVE**  
**2010 Breast Health Leadership Award**

November 2009

Dear Friend:

Each year the Maine Breast Health Cooperative (MBHC) honors one or more individuals who have made an outstanding difference in breast health and breast cancer in Maine. The Breast Health Leadership Award is offered in two categories:

- ⊙ Professional: Available to a health care professional whose efforts in the workplace go above and beyond what is expected
- ⊙ Volunteer: Available to a person whose contributions as a volunteer, advocate, or inspiration are noteworthy.

Please take a moment to submit your nomination for next year's Awards today! Each of us knows a special person whose efforts to care for patients or to educate, initiate, or advocate are impressive and make a difference—this is your opportunity to give them the recognition they deserve. Awards will be presented at the 13th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Silver Tea on Thursday, September 30, 2010, at the Blaine House in Augusta.

MBHC consists of the American Cancer Society, Maine Breast and Cervical Health Program, Maine Breast Cancer Coalition, Maine Breast Nurse Network, Maine Cancer Foundation, and Susan G. Komen For The Cure of Maine—all working collectively to reduce the impact of breast cancer in Maine. The MBHC hosts the annual Blaine House Tea with the First Lady of Maine, Karen M. Baldacci.

We welcome your nomination of a candidate who has made an exceptional contribution by promoting breast health, improving awareness and understanding of breast cancer, or working toward elimination of the disease. Please download and complete a copy of the 2010 Leadership Award Nomination Form, then mail it to the address listed on the form. All nominations must be postmarked by Friday, July 30, 2010.

Questions? Please let me know at 207-841-1905 or [cnesbit@llbean.com](mailto:cnesbit@llbean.com).

Sincerely,

Cindy Nesbit, Chair, Breast Health Leadership Award Committee 2010

## *Breast Health Leadership Award*

### **Criteria**

#### **The Award**

The Breast Health Leadership Award is presented annually during September or October to acknowledge a Maine woman or man who has made an exceptional contribution by promoting breast health, improving awareness and understanding of breast cancer, or working toward elimination of the disease.

Two awards are available to recognize professional and volunteer efforts that have contributed to breast health/breast cancer on the community, state, and/or national level. Nominees may be advocates, educators, leaders, role models, promoters of breast health, or promoters of women's issues. The Maine Breast Health Cooperative (MBHC) may choose to recognize more than one person in each category in response to extraordinary nominations.

#### **Eligibility**

Nominees must be Maine residents. Individuals campaigning for elected office during an election year are not eligible. If a nominee is a member of one of the organizations that comprise MBHC, the selection committee member from that organization will abstain from commenting on the application.

#### **Nomination Process**

Please use one copy of the nomination form for each candidate. To give your candidate the best opportunity, it is important that the application be completed in detail. Include relevant achievements as well as dates and/or timeframes. Resumes are helpful, as are letters of support, program information, newspaper articles, and other recommendations. (NOTE: Please submit no more than two letters of recommendation and a maximum of three pages of documentation in total, not including your nominee's resume. In addition, please submit six copies of your complete nomination package for the review committee.)

#### **Selection Process**

A selection committee of the MBHC and community volunteers will review all nominations. All nominees are recognized at the event. If your nominee is not selected, you may re-nominate the candidate in the following year.

#### **Deadline**

The deadline for nominations is Friday, July 30, 2010. Nominations postmarked after that date will not be considered. Please send entries to: Cindy Nesbit, 164 Roberts Rd., Bowdoin, ME 04287

#### **Notification of Award Recipient**

The award winner will be notified by August 27, 2010, and will agree to attend the award ceremony to receive her/his award. If she/he is unable to attend, the award will be presented to a representative designated by the award winner. After the award winner replies and accepts the award, all other nominees and nominators will be notified.

#### **Award Presentation**

In addition to honoring the Breast Health Leadership Award winner(s) at the Blaine House Silver Tea in Augusta, each nominee is recognized for her/his efforts. All nominees and their nominators are urged to attend.

## *2010 Breast Health Leadership Award*

### **Nomination Form**

The Maine Breast Health Cooperative is proud to honor individuals who make a difference in promoting breast health/breast cancer awareness. The Breast Health Leadership Award will be presented at the 13th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness Month Silver Tea on Thursday, September 30, 2010, at the Blaine House.

#### **Please Type or Print Legibly**

**Choose a category:**       Professional     Volunteer

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Phone: (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (day) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

What is your relationship to the nominee? \_\_\_\_\_

**What are your nominee's accomplishments?** Address as many of the following categories as appropriate. Check all that apply and describe each area completely, noting length of service and special accomplishments. (NOTE: Attach additional pages if necessary, to a maximum of three additional pages in total, not including your nominee's resume.

**Taken leadership in her/his community? (List examples, with dates and/or timeframes for each.)**

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**Maintained and/or improved a program or project? (List examples, with dates and/or timeframes for each.)**

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**Created or implemented a program or project? (List examples, with dates and/or timeframes for each.)**

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**What accomplishments would you consider particularly innovative, and why?**

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**Please list any affiliations with breast health (e.g., American Cancer Society, National Breast Cancer Coalition) at the community/ state and/or national level. (Please list length of service.)**

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**Why do you feel that it is important for this nominee to receive this award?**

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\_\_\_\_\_ **I have attached a resume and letter of support.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I have attached letter(s) of support. (NOTE: Please submit no more than two letters.)**

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE. NOMINATION FORM MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JULY 30, 2010.

Please return to: Cindy Nesbit  
164 Roberts Rd.  
Bowdoin, ME 04287