



Central Florida YMCA

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CENTRAL FLORIDA YMCA RECOGNIZES HUNTER AND FISHER **WITH AWARDS FOR LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT**

ORLANDO, FL ... The Central Florida YMCA recently held its 2006 Annual Meeting, where President and CEO James W. Ferber recognized Claude Hunter of Orlando and Robin Fisher of Titusville for their leadership and support of the organization.

Claude Hunter received the Ronnie H. Walker Unsung Hero Award for his demonstration of the positive character values of the organization, including caring, honesty, respect, responsibility and faith. Hunter was one of the Downtown Orlando YMCA Family Center's first members and has been involved with the Central Florida YMCA as a member, volunteer board member and contributor for more than 20 years. In addition, Hunter raised more than \$20,000 for the Downtown Orlando YMCA Family Center's 2006 Youth Scholarship Campaign.



The John W. Sterchi Award for lifetime support of the Central Florida YMCA was presented to **Robin Fisher**, who is a past Central Florida YMCA Metropolitan Board Chairperson, past Youth Scholarship Campaign Chairperson, volunteer and contributor. In addition, he led the mergers between the Central Florida YMCA and several Brevard County organizations to create three YMCAs in that county.



"Both Robin and Claude continue to play integral roles in the success of not only the YMCA Family Centers in their communities, but our organization as a whole," said Jim Ferber, president and CEO of the Central Florida YMCA. "It's through the leadership and support of people like these that we are able to fulfill our mission of providing programs and services that help people grow in spirit, mind and body."

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Established in 1885, the Central Florida YMCA is one of the largest nonprofit community organizations in Central Florida. With 27 Family Centers in Orange, Seminole, Osceola, Lake, Brevard and Marion counties, the YMCA gave over \$9.2 million in financial assistance, membership, and program subsidies to over 30,000 kids, teens, adults, and seniors in 2006. Committed to the community, with 15 middle school after school sites, 22 elementary after school sites, 16 senior outreach programs and four Teen Achievers centers, the YMCA maintains its mission to improve lives of all in Central Florida.