

The Maine Sea Coast Mission celebrates the countless hours of service that Lenny Sweet has contributed to the Mission's Christmas Program. Julie Patton, Christmas Program Coordinator, said, "I am grateful for volunteers such as Lenny who make the Christmas Program such a success." The Maine Sea Coast Mission provides over 15,000 gifts to 3,000 children and elderly in Downeast Maine.

Lenny Sweet named YW woman of year



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Lenny Sweet is the 2010 YWCA Woman of the Year.

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BAR HARBOR — Lenny Sweet of Hulls Cove was named the YWCA of Mount Desert Island's Woman of the Year on Sunday.

The YWCA hosted its annual meeting and awards banquet at Galyn's Restaurant on Sunday. Nominees were chosen by members for their outstanding accomplishments, good service to the community, and exceptional volunteer work.

Ms. Sweet was recognized for her dedication to the Church of Our Father, her volunteer work, and time she has put in at Serendipity, the used clothing shop operated by the Bar Harbor Food Pantry. She was also hon-

ored for her donations to mission projects, and her gift of time to kids' programs.

She also volunteers time at the Hulls Cove Church Thrift Shop, and helps with the Maine Sea Coast Mission. She volunteers at the Jesup Memorial Library where she provides assistance with organization. Her nomination form noted she has donated her time, money, and care to many organizations and people, and is well-rounded, devoted community member.

Nina Peterson, 18, a student at Mount Desert Island High

School, received the award for the Young Women of the year. She has dedicated her time to the

community with volunteer work at the Acadia Veterinary Hospital, and working with kids with special needs, teaching them to ride and care for horses.

The help she provides for them, has greatly improved their lives, and skills that she made possible for them, her nomination noted. She is very understanding, and donates much of her time for others. She is a

well-rounded student, and an active participant in the Bangor Symphony Orchestra.



The YWCA Young Woman of the Year Nina Peterson.