

Women of Inspiration

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Rusty Supernaw Named August Woman of Inspiration Community Nominations Requested

PENSACOLA, Fla.- The Woman of Inspiration for the month of August is Rusty Supernaw. This month's inspiring woman left an abusive controlling spouse after her life was threatened. She and her children were in danger from a violent husband, so she gathered the strength to change her life and find new direction. Rusty has created a new life for herself and her children. She founded and now manages the non-profit organization, St. Monica's Sisterhood of Quilters, that makes quilts for domestic violence safe-houses.

Community **nominations** for the Inspiring Woman of the Year to be announced in December are being **accepted at this time**. Letters of nomination may be sent via email to trista@lookwhojustblouin.com.

Qualifying profiles include:

- Getting out of domestic violence
- Conquering drug addiction
- Removing a child from an abusive environment (sexual or other physical abuse by partner)
- Overcoming divorce
- Rising above poverty or homelessness

A Women of Inspiration will be selected each month through October with an Inspiring Woman of the Year to be named on Saturday, December 5 at the culminating event to be held at Homewood Suites. Monthly award winners will receive complimentary photo sessions by Look Who Just Blouin Photography, make-overs from A Cut Above Salon and Spa, savings bonds and gift baskets from local specialty merchants.

Women of Inspiration is a celebration of women who have made a choice to remove themselves from an unhealthy situation. It is aimed not only at celebrating women for overcoming adversity, but also at encouraging women to remove themselves from unhealthy or dangerous lifestyles.

This initiative was founded by two local entrepreneurs, Trista Blouin and Monique Le Clair, to recognize and celebrate area women who have created a successful life of their choosing after overcoming seemingly insurmountable odds.

The mission of Women of Inspiration is to celebrate women who have overcome personal struggles, specifically violence, to go on to create a life of their choosing from which they feel personal fulfillment and satisfaction. The awards are intended to encourage women who are currently being held captive by their fear to take steps toward becoming independent. Visit us online at www.womenofinspiration.net.

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