



April 15, 2016

Girls Inc. of Carpinteria

Women of Inspiration



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INSPIRATIONAL WOMEN AND AMBITIOUS GIRLS took the stage during Girls Inc. of Carpinteria's "Women of Inspiration" luncheon on Monday, April 4th at the Girls Inc. campus in Carpinteria.

More than 275 community leaders, mentors, advocates, and Girls Inc. supporters came together to support the organization. Arlene Samen, founder of One Heart World-Wide was this year's featured speaker. She spoke to guests about her journey to help pregnant women in Tibet and the many obstacles she faced along the way, sharing a powerful message: don't let any setbacks stop your efforts.

Following lunch, emcees and Girls Inc. of Carpinteria members Noelia Romero and Ana Delgado presented the 2016 Women of Inspiration Awards to Natalie Orfalea, co-founder and chair of the Orfalea Foundation; Geri Ann Carty, an active volunteer in the community; and Patsy Hicks, director of education at the Santa Barbara Museum of Art.

The event was co-chaired by Nancy Koppelman, Nini Seaman, Sandra Tyler, and Amanda Kastelic, and raised funds to support Girls Inc. of Carpinteria's mission to inspire all girls to be strong, smart, and bold.

4 2016 "Women of Inspiration" Honorees **Natalie Orfalea**, Co-Founder and Chair Orfalea Foundation; with leading activists **Patricia "Patsy" Hicks**, and **Geri Ann Carty**

are congratulated by **Victoria Juarez**, Executive Director of Carpinteria Girls Inc.

5 Luncheon Emcees welcoming attendees are **Noelia Romero** and **Ana Delgado**, Carpinteria Girls Inc. Alum

6 **Cylda Freeman**, President, Girls Inc of Carpinteria

7 Keynote Speaker **Arlene Samen**, founder of "One Heart World-Wide"



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