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## St. Luke's Children's Hospital Announces Recipients of 2008 Luke Award

*-Ninth Annual Award Recognizes Individuals and Businesses for  
Support of Community and Children's Hospital-*

**Boise** – St. Luke's Health Foundation's Children's Advisory Board have named Shirley Osborn and Norco Inc. as this year's recipients of the Luke Award.

An award ceremony is planned at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 3 in the Anderson Center at St. Luke's Boise Medical Center.

Now in its ninth year, the Luke Award recognizes individuals and businesses who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to fundraising efforts for St. Luke's Children's Hospital.

Shirley Osborn is this year's individual recipient. In 1992, she founded "Parents Plus," a support group for families with children who have physical or mental disabilities, serious or chronic health conditions, or developmental delays.

Starting with its inception in 1998, Osborn has coordinated the annual St. Luke's Children's Hospital Newborn Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Graduates' Picnic. She has also been a member of St. Luke's Auxiliary since 1997, where she actively works for the benefit of St. Luke's. An avid golfer, Osborn joined the Scramble for the Kids golf tournament committee in 2006.

Founded in 1968, Norco Inc. is this year's business recipient. The company, which specializes in welding, safety and medical industry supplies, is a community leader in its philanthropic and charitable efforts.

For the last 15 years, Norco has been the lead sponsor of Kid for a Night. The event is one of the largest fundraisers for St. Luke's Children's Hospital.

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Every year, Norco employees are in the thick of the Kid for a Night festivities, dressing up and thoroughly enjoying the games and activities. Norco also supports Karnations for Kids and numerous golf tournaments. And Norco provides volunteers to answer phones and take pledges at the annual Children's Miracle Network Telethon.

Past winners of the Luke Award include:

<b><u>Year</u></b>	<b><u>Individual Recipients</u></b>	<b><u>Business Recipients</u></b>
2007	Dixie Dykman	KIVI Channel 6
2006	Mike & Lisa Simplot	Courtyard by Marriott
2005	David Bishop	JR Simplot Co.
2004	Charles & Carolyn Leader	Albertsons
2003	Celeste Keller	Dairy Queen
2002	Gwen Lytle	Blueprints Plus
2001	Sherry Iverson	St. Luke's Auxiliary
2000	Dawneen Blakeslee	Wells Fargo

*St. Luke's Children's Hospital is Idaho's only children's hospital. Located at St. Luke's Boise and Meridian Medical Centers, the Children's Hospital treats more than 50,000 children a year. The hospital is home to Idaho's largest and most experienced Level III Newborn Intensive Care Unit and the state's only Pediatric Intensive Care Unit.*

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