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YWCA Hosts Author and Activist Dr. Billie Jean Young

Birmingham, AL - The YWCA Central Alabama will honor National Week Without Violence by hosting a Lunch and Learn featuring the return of award-winning author, actor and activist Dr. Billie Jean Young. The luncheon will take place at the YWCA's Kimerling Chapel (309 23rd Street North, Birmingham) on **Monday, October 17 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** This event is open to the public and lunch will be served. Dr. Young will have books on site for sale to the public.

The Lunch and Learn, taking place during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, will highlight excerpts of Dr. Young's book "Family Secret," which details the main character's dramatic escape from violence within her family. Dr. Billie Jean Young has spent a large portion of her life dedicated to issues of women's and civil rights. For more than twenty years, she has worked to organize rural women in Alabama's Black Belt around quality of life issues. She has written critically acclaimed books including the recently released "Now How You Do? A Memoir." Billie Jean Young is also the first African-American graduate of Judson College and holds a Juris Doctorate from Samford University's Cumberland School of Law. Dr. Young has film credits which include "Mississippi Burning," and the NBC Monday night movie, "Blue Bayou."

For more information about the Week Without Violence Lunch and Learn or to RSVP, please contact Angela Moore at (205) 322-9922 ext. 206 or amoore@ywcabham.org.

For over a century, the YWCA Central Alabama has been responding to the needs of women and families by providing: affordable child care for low-income families; child care and after-school enrichment programs for homeless children; affordable housing for families and seniors; a full array of domestic violence services and outreach programs for social justice issues. It has been a key participant in the YWCA's Week Without Violence joining YWCAs across the country in hosting planned events, vigils, presentations and displays to bring awareness about and an end to domestic violence.

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