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Champions of Child Care

Program

May 9, 2013

- Registration
- Welcome
- Introductions
- Special Presentations
 - ◊ Steve Saland
- Dinner
- Tribute to Mary Courtney
- Award Presentations
- Raffle
- Closing



Programs At A Glance ~

Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam, Inc.

Child Care Resource and Referral (Dutchess and Putnam)

- Provides information to parents on locating child care, consumer education, referrals, subsidies, services for families
- Recruits child care providers, provides start-up information and technical assistance in meeting regulatory requirements
- Provides the community with education on child care issues and current data needed in planning for community services
- Supports employers in planning, implementing and providing employee child care services

Child Care Registration (Dutchess and Putnam)

- Provides supervision of 106 family day care homes in Dutchess and 26 in Putnam
- Provides supervision of 31 school age programs in Dutchess, and 7 in Putnam
- Includes processing new and renewal applications, monitoring and inspecting programs, providing technical assistance and investigating complaints



Child and Adult Care Food Program (Dutchess and Putnam)

- Supports group and family day care providers in providing nutritious, healthful meals and snacks to children in their care
- Manages the CACFP federal reimbursement program for participating providers

Health Care Consultancy Services (Dutchess and Putnam)

- Registered Nurse on staff conducts training classes on health issues for child care providers
- Reviews and approves health care plans for medication administration

Day Care Subsidy Administration (Putnam)

- Manages the subsidized day care program

Regional Infant-Toddler Technical Assistance Center (Dutchess, Putnam and Ulster)

- Provides training and technical assistance to providers who care for infants and toddlers

Resource Lending Library (Dutchess and Putnam)

- Onsite lending library of toys, equipment, teaching units and professional resources

Mobile Resource Lending Library (Dutchess)

- Council van stocked with toys, games, teaching units, children's books, and professional resources to enhance programs

Child Care Tuition Scholarship Program (Dutchess)

- Administers child care scholarships to income-eligible families whose children attend child care centers. Funded by the Dyson Foundation

Healthy Connections Start In Child Care (Dutchess)

- Training for child care providers on healthy food choices and physical activities to implement with children in care. Funded by Dutchess County

Professional Development (Dutchess and Putnam)

- Provides opportunities for child care providers to take trainings in the nine required topic areas
- Training opportunities may be held at the Child Care Council or at the program site, and also includes distance learning and online courses.
- Quarterly cluster meetings for home-based child care providers
- Quarterly workshops for child care providers and parents



Congratulations to all of our nominees!

Day Care Centers

Bard Community Children's Center, Inc.

Kristine Williams

Care Bear Daycare Center, Inc.

Karen Hogan

Child Care by Valerie, Inc.

Martie Muller

Lisa Andrews

Cinnamon Tree Children's Center

Community Family Development, Inc.

April Tompkins

Jonnalynne Rouse

Macy Calloway

Creative Kids Childcare

Jessica Fosella

Monika Forbes

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Kathleen MacDonald

Dutchess Community College Day Care Center

Donna Duncan

Heart 2 Heart Child Care Center, LLC

Michelle Lindenberg

Honeybee Childcare Corp.

Mary Rotkitowski

Imagination Station Children's Center, Inc.

Noelle Napolitano

Infant Toddler Center at Vassar College

Nicole Bonelli-Dubinski

Kristen Jezsu

Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center

Kidz Town of Dutchess

Barbara Schwind

Danielle Canero

Barbara Pocarobba

Lisa Maria Casailinova

Michelle O'Meara

Kristyn Chesney

Next Step Child Care

Over the Rainbow Learning Center

Rose Hill Manor Day School

Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II

Deborah Napoli

Christina Maranzano

Tiffany Rizzo

Daniel Clark

Daniska Perilli

Karen Hunter

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Patricia Simms

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St. Francis Hospital Preschool

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Deborah Donovan

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Donna Jean Colello

The Children's Station of Brewster

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Kim's Little Angels Family Day Care

Little Feet Daycare

Little Lamb Family Day Care, Inc.

Little People Family Daycare

Peek A Boo Day Care

Play 2 Learn

Stage III Daycare, Inc.

Sun Day Care

Sweet Dreams and Friends Family Day Care Corp.

The Children's Corner

Tiny Seed Daycare

Victorian Teddy Bears/Cedar Tree Preschool

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Abigail Lundquist-Botstein Nursery School

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Lauren Durnin

Healthy Kids Extended Day Program

Tara Cochran

Lisa Blake

Mt. Tremper Outdoor Ministries

Heather Duben

Doreen Smith

Neighborhood Daycare Services, Inc.

Milestone Anniversaries

Congratulations to the day care providers and staff celebrating Milestone Anniversaries in 2013.

Five Years

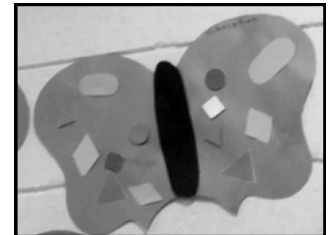
Angela Giustino—Young Hearts Day Care, LLC
Annamarie Luongo—Young Hearts Day Care, LLC
Danielle Ryan—Creative Kids Childcare
Deborah McDonald—Pine Grove Country Day Care
Donna Milazzo—Over the Rainbow Learning Center
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Jennifer Takacs—Creative Kids ChildCare Center
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Kristine Williams—Bard Community Children's Center, Inc.
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Melissa McGayhey—Creative Kids Childcare
Nicole Bonelli-Dubinski—Infant Toddler Center at Vassar College
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Rose Finkleberg—Creative Kids ChildCare Center
Stephanie Tchorzyk—Over the Rainbow Learning Center
Tiffany Cratty—Child Care by Valerie, Inc.
Toniann Mancione—Pine Grove Country Day Care

Ten Years

Barbara Chronister—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II
Charlene Cable—Over the Rainbow Learning Center
Donna Bass—Pine Grove Country Day Care
Hollie Morse—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II
Jean Licata—Pine Grove Country Day Care
Joan Softysiak—Vassar College
Lisa Andrews—Child Care by Valerie, Inc.
Roseann Genovese—Pine Grove Country Day Care

Fifteen Years

Alicia Canfield—Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center
Amy Yarmosky—Vassar College
Ann Marie Hefele—Pine Grove Country Day Care
Patricia Bretti—Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center



Twenty Years

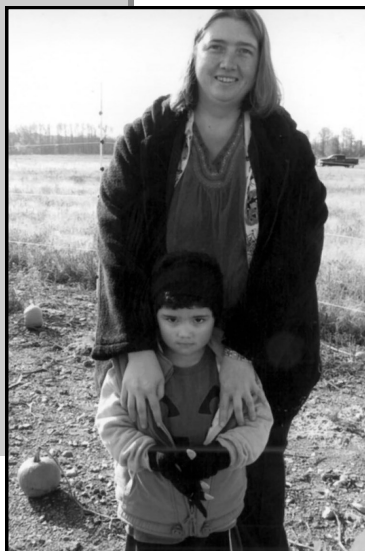
Arian Sullivan—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II
Dawn Timmons—Vassar College
Denise Dagnone—Pine Grove Country Day Care
Mid-Hudson Infant Toddler Coalition
Suzanne Diegel—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II
Tammy Corcoran—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II
Valerie Andrews—Child Care by Valerie, Inc.

Twenty-Five Years

Laurie Ford—Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center
Marge Smith—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II

Thirty Years

Laury Perotti—Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II



Congratulations to our Award Winners!



Dutchess County Rookie of the Year:

Noelle Napolitano, *Imagination Station Children's Center, Inc.*

Putnam County Rookie of the Year:

Jessica Fosella, *Creative Kids ChildCare Center*

Dutchess County Staff Member of the Year:

Kristen Jezsu, *Infant Toddler Center at Vassar College*

Putnam County Staff Member of the Year:

Victoria Hooten, *The Children's Station of Brewster*

Dutchess County Director of the Year:

Florence Winklharrer, *Young Hearts Day Care, LLC*

Putnam County Director of the Year:

Donna Jean Colello, *St. Lawrence O'Toole Early Childhood Learning Center*

Dutchess County Nursery School of the Year:

Bright Beginnings Preschool

Dutchess County Family Day Care Program of the Year:

Cynthia Emard

Putnam County Family Day Care Program of the Year:

Tarah Oubina, *Mahopac Daycare*

Dutchess County Group Family Day Care Program of the Year:

Karen Isidori, *Karen's Kiddie Care*

Putnam County Group Family Day Care Program of the Year:

Darline Roveto, *Little Feet Daycare*

Dutchess County School Age Child Care Director of the Year:

Lisa Blake, *Healthy Kids Extended Day Program @ Noxon Road*

Dutchess County School Age Child Care Director of the Year:

Tara Cochran, *Healthy Kids Extended Day Program @ Violet Avenue*

Putnam County School Age Child Care Program of the Year:

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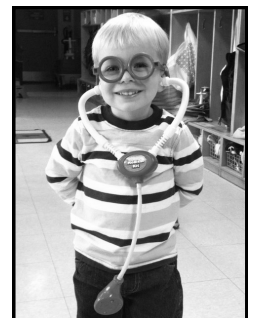
Heart 2 Heart Child Care LLC

Dutchess County Child Care Council Award of Excellence:

Daniska Perilli, *Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II*

Putnam County Child Care Council Award of Excellence:

Doris Brenner, *Green Chimneys Children's Services, Inc.*



2012 Education Awards

Congratulations to the following persons who have achieved an Education Milestone during 2012.

Cynthia Sanchez

Stage III Daycare, Inc.
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Krista Petrucelli

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Care 4 me, Inc.
Child Development Associate

Nicole Woodward

Care 4 me, Inc.
Child Development Associate

Tina Amantea

Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center
Child Development Associate

Danielle Ryan

Creative Kids Childcare
Child Development Associate Renewal

Monika Forbes

Creative Kids Childcare
Child Development Associate Renewal

Carina Salom

Honeybee Childcare Corp.
Associate in Applied Science

Cortney Balassone

Honeybee Childcare Corp.
Associate in Applied Science

Mariah Stafford

Honeybee Childcare Corp.
Associate in Childhood Education

Amanda Civitano

Young Hearts Day Care, LLC
Associate in Early Childhood Education

Teresa Genova

Young Hearts Day Care, LLC
Associate in Early Childhood Education

Danielle Swart

Young Hearts Day Care, LLC
Bachelor of Arts in Communication Disorders

Katie Kessman

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
*Bachelor of Science
with a concentration in Early Childhood Education*

Alison Ugarte

Blooming Buddies
*Bachelor of Science in Community and Human Services
Child Care Administration*

Valerie Andrews

Child Care by Valerie, Inc.
*Bachelor of Science
in Organizational Leadership and Communication*

Fianna Romeo-Ashmed

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
*Bachelor of Science in Psychology
with a concentration in Childhood Development*

Kimberly Burke

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
Masters in Early Childhood Education and Literacy

Jennifer Kingman

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
Masters of Science in Early Childhood Special Education, Birth—2nd Grade

Daniska Perilli

Saint Francis Hospital Day Care Center II
Masters of Science in Early Childhood Special Education



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Putnam County Day Care Services Assistant, 6 years

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Day Care Registrar, 2 years



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Poughkeepsie High School String Ensemble

*Brent Caster and staff at
The Poughkeepsie Grandview*



Our Mission Statement:

The Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam, Inc. works to promote affordable and quality child care, provide information and support to families, and strengthen the early childhood workforce in Dutchess and Putnam Counties.

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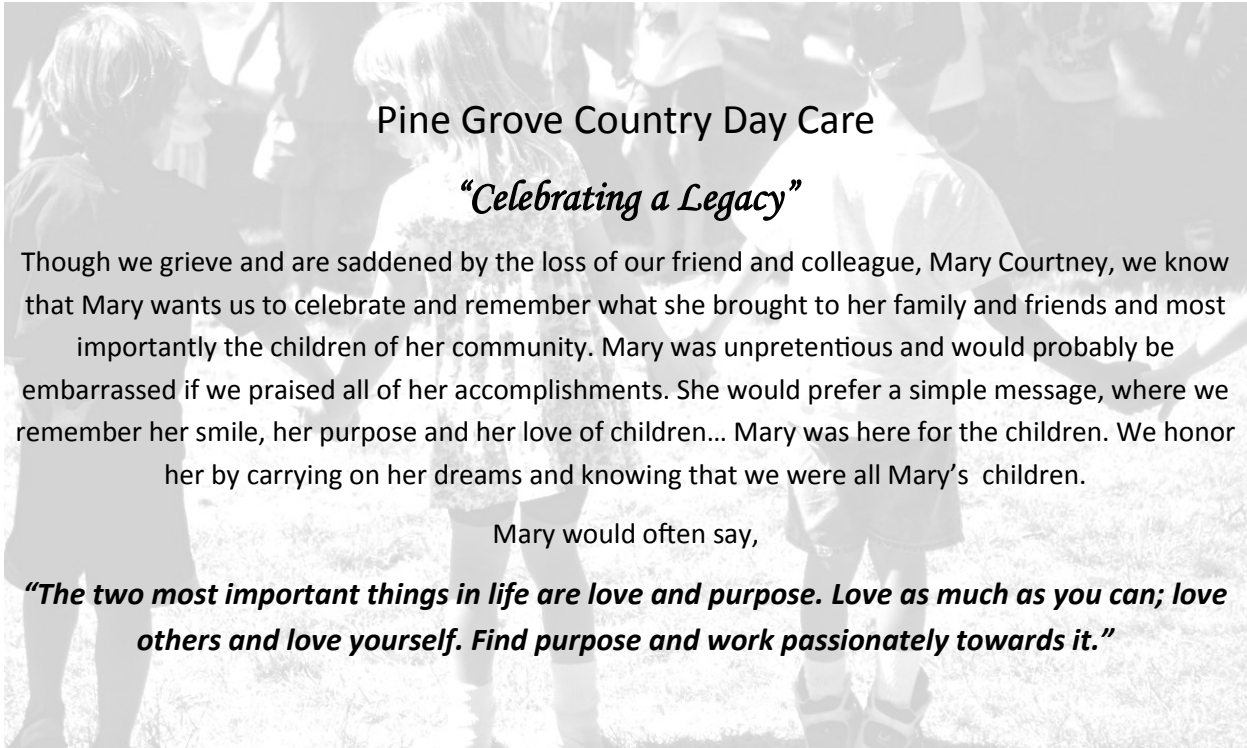


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Mary would often say,

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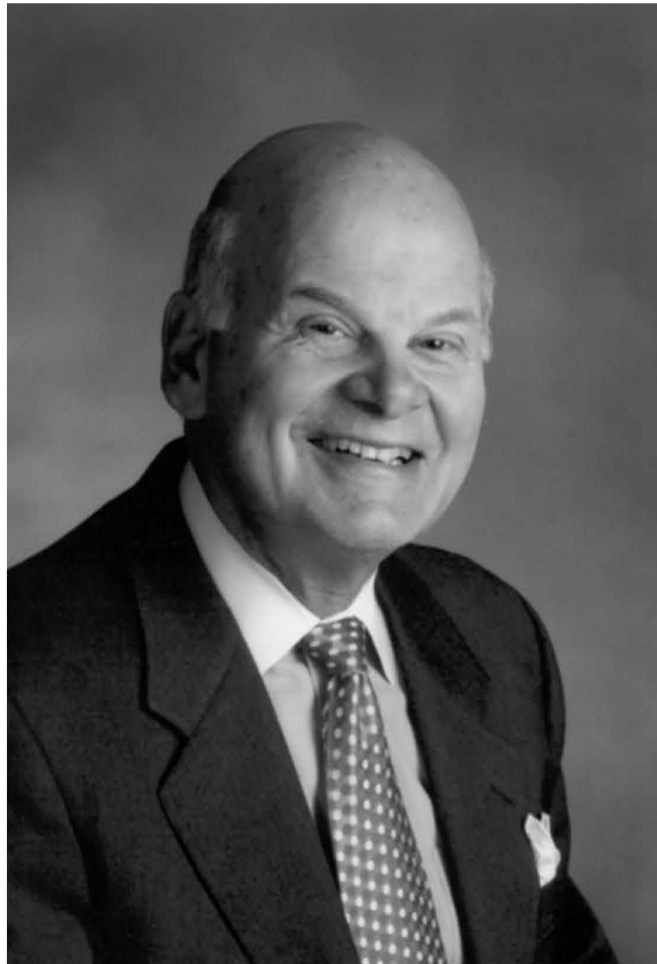
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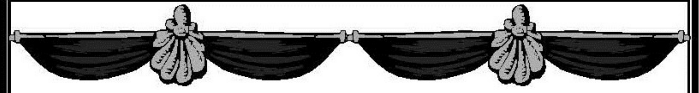
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If there is a physical or sexual abuse accusation, are my business entity, my employees & I covered?	✓	?
Does my policy offer unlimited defense costs to defend my employees & my business?	✓	?
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What Do Daycare Providers Make?



The dinner guests were sitting around the table discussing life. One man, a CEO, decided to explain the problem with children. He argued, "What's a kid going to learn from someone who decided their best option in life was to become a daycare provider?" He reminded the other dinner guests what they say about daycare providers: "Those who can, do. Those who can't, watch kids." To stress his point he said to another guest; "You're a babysitter, Susan. Be honest. What do you make?"

Susan, who had a reputation for honesty and frankness replied, "If you really want to know what I make, I will tell you. I make kids play harder than they ever thought they could. I make a completed art project feel like winning the Congressional Medal of Honor. I make kids share, speak kindly and be accountable for their actions."

"You want to know what I make?"

I make kids wonder.
I make them question.
I make them try.
I make them apologize and mean it.
I make them write.
I make them read, read, read.
I make them understand that if you use your brains, and follow your heart, you can accomplish anything.
I make them know they are important and loved.
I make them know they are special.
I make them know if someone ever tries to judge them by what they make, they must pay no attention because that person just didn't learn."

Susan paused and then continued.

"You really want to know what I make?"

"I MAKE A DIFFERENCE."

"What do you make?"

~ author unknown



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