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Child Care Council of Dutchess and Putnam, Inc.

Strengthening Child Care for our Community





Congratulations to

Ellen Wild

A Champion in Child Care

Dutchess Community College thanks our Program Chair of Early Childhood Education for almost 20 years of dedicated service to our students, colleagues and the community at large.

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Registration

Entertainment

Welcome

Introductions

Dinner

Award Presentations

Raffle

Closing



A high-five to this year's award recipients!



MidHudson Regional
Early Education Center
of Westchester Medical Center



~ 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 62 family day care homes in Dutchess and 13 in Putnam
- Provides supervision of 30 school age programs in Dutchess, and 11 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

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

Babies Step Forward

- Provide Child Development Associate and Medication Administration Training to staff of two day care centers, one in Dutchess and one in Putnam County.



Congratulations to all of our nominees!

Day Care Center

Acorns to Oaks
Morgan DeSimone

Acorns to Oaks II Inc.
Gina Kantor
Rosemary Norton

Bard Community Children's Center, Inc.
Lauren Lamoree

Community Family Development, Inc.
All Staff

Tina Abadsidis
Irene Belen

Macy Calloway
Bianca Dubois
Sandra Garnes
Abigail Garcia
Regina Johnson
Kagal Knight
Tiffany Medina
Kate Podell

Creative Kids Childcare
Regina Mahoney
Stephanie Pecorella

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
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Cristina Bastone
Linda Batto
Erika Giorgio
Jennifer Hanner
Kathleen MacDonald
Christina Mead
Sara Pettit
Gina Porcelli
Fianna Romeo-Ashmead
Agnes Torlish
Karen Whitaker

Creative Kids Kent. LLC
Samantha Corteville
Jennifer Hanner
Ashley Martin

Creative Kids Mahopac
Kimberly Burke
Danielle Gafni
Lauren Pesce
Miss Lauren

**Dover Golden Goose Preschool
& Senior Center**
Tina Evans
Half Pint
Kathleen Triebel

Green Chimneys Children's Services, Inc.
Deborah Moore

Heart 2 Heart Child Care Center LLC
All staff

Vicki Beauchesne
Rosemaria DosSantos
Daniel Rudolph
Jacquelyn Vandenplas

Honeybee Childcare Corp
Mary Rokitowski

Imagination Station Children's Center, Inc
Infant Toddler Center at Vassar College
Charlene Harris
Celine Sigmen
Devynn Stofa



Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center
All staff

Tina Amantea
Letitia Brache
Patricia Brett

Alicia Canfield-Madden
Jessica Degidio
Laurie Ford
Daniel Zabel

Kidz Town of Dutchess
Shelby Boettcher
Danielle Canero
Lisa Marie Casailinova
Caitlin Hernandez
Agnes Lopez

Michelle O'Meara
Christina Sanchez
Barbara Schwind

Little Feet Childcare Center, LLC
All staff

Jennifer Anderson
Kristina Howles
Angela Mastrangelo
Darline Roveto
Mahopac Daycare
Tarah Oubina

Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center

Megan Contini
Tammy Corcoran
Cheryl Demetros
Deborah Donovan
Karen Hunter
Dawn Otten
Tiffany Rizzo
Arian Sullivan
Jacobina Tiani

Voyager Classroom Team

Neighborhood Daycare Services, Inc

Tienna Cochran
Sara Kar

Tara Cochran-Laborde

Northern Dutchess Day Care Center

Renee Caporaletti-Coons

Over the Rainbow Learning Center

Rita Acerno
Melissa Torlish

Sol Silver Early Childhood Center

Lucia Swartz
Rochelle White

**St. Lawrence O'Toole Early
Childhood Learning Center**

All staff
Verna Bergstrom
Donna Jean Colello
Maureen Patterson
Amanda Tucker

Stages Child Care Inc.

Eileen Fehr

Step by Step Childcare Center LLC

All Staff
Danielle Bloomer
Tara Gigliotti

The Children's Station of Brewster

All staff
Victoria Amidon
Alex Antin
Mary Ann Hansen
Jessica Woelfle

Tots-N-Us

Miss Sara
Miss Suzanne

Tots-N-Us Main Building

Nancy Birkler
Tanya Mortensen
Tracey Phillips

Wish Upon a Star Childcare, Inc.

Regina Belher

School Age Child Care

**First Reformed Church of Fishkill
Green Chimneys Children's Services, Inc.**

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Stephanie Durso

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Childhood Learning Center**

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Jennifer Kane

Feels Like Home Childcare, Inc.

All staff

Marisol Hoffman

Sarah Stiebritz

Mildred Rodriguez

First Friends Day Care

Ellen Rayburn

Jan's Kidz Childcare, Inc.

Jan Jimenez

Marisela Jaramillo

Mahopac Daycare

Tarah Oubina

My Little Angels Daycare/

Preschool, Inc.

Cynthia Butts

Donna Eimick

Jasmine Maharaj

Stage III Daycare, Inc

All Staff

Eileen Fehr

Sun Day Care

Sunday Haras

The Children's Corner

Katherine Davis

Trudy Lackner

Victorian Teddy Bears/

Cedar Tree Preschool

Pauline Fredrickson

Judy Wyskida

Milestone Anniversaries

Congratulations to the day care providers and staff celebrating Milestone Anniversaries in 2015.

5 years

Rachel Canelos
Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center

Katherine Inzerillo
Vassar College

Mildred Rodriguez
Feels Like Home Childcare, Inc.

Jennifer Hanner
Creative Kids Kent, LLC

Jamie Peters
Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center

10 years

Shawn Prater-Lee
Vassar College

Tara Tallevi
Pine Grove Country Day Care

Dawn Bruzio
Pine Grove Country Day Care at Baldwin Park

15 years

Denise McChesney
Country Grove Children's Ctr.

Ann Hosking
Northern Dutchess Day Care Center

Nikki Johnson
Cedar Street Day Care, Inc.

Sue Merlini
Pine Grove Country Day Care

Kagal Knight
Community Family Development, Inc.

Nancy Hull
Northern Dutchess Day Care Center

Nancy Rutledge
Pine Grove Country Day Care

Rose DiCarlo
Pine Grove Country Day Care

20 years

Sandra Garnes
Community Family Development, Inc.

Brisette Moore
Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center

Justine Bastian
Vassar College

Gail VanVlack
Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center

Julie Riess, Ph.D.
Vassar College

25 years

Denise Clair
My Little Angels Daycare/Preschool, Inc.

Elizabeth Becker
Busy Bees Learning Center GFDC

June Hennessy
Pine Grove Country Day Care

35 years

Regina Johnson
Community Family Development, Inc.

2014 Education Awards

*Congratulations to the following persons who have achieved an Education Milestone during 2014.
We salute your efforts to further your education to enhance what you offer to children and their families.*

Jennifer Hanner

Creative Kids Kent, LLC
*Bachelor of Science in Community and
Human Services and Child and Family Services*

Christine Eighmy

Little People Family Daycare
National Association for Family Child Care Accreditation

Education Center

National Early Childhood Program Reaccreditation

Sara Pettit

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
Bachelors Degree in Speech Language Pathology and Audiology

Erika Giorgio

Creative Kids ChildCare Center
Associates Degree in Early Childhood

Marie Daley

Child Development Associate

Kristina Howles

Little Feet Children's Center, LLC
Child Development Associate

Hollie Morse

Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center
Child Development Associate Renewal



Congratulations to our Award Winners!



Dutchess County Rookie of the Year

Lucia Swartz, Sol Silver Early Childhood Center

Putnam County Rookie of the Year

Beth Ann Mahoskey, Mt. Tremper Outdoor Ministries

Dutchess County Staff Member of the Year

Shelby Boettcher, Kidz Town of Dutchess
Caitlin Hernandez, Kidz Town of Dutchess
Lisa Marie Ruggiera, Kidz Town of Dutchess

Putnam County Staff Member of the Year

Daniel Zabel, Kidz Country Learning Day Care Center

Dutchess County Director of the Year

Ashley Romm, Healthy Kids Extended Day Program, Inc.

Putnam County Director of the Year

Darline Roveto, Little Feet Childcare Center, LLC

Dutchess County Outstanding Special Needs Award

Mid Hudson Valley Early Education Center

Putnam County Outstanding Special Needs Award

Jan Jimenez, Jan's Kidz Childcare, Inc.





Dutchess County Family Day Care Program of the Year

Doretha Oliver, The Happy Face Daycare

Putnam County Family Day Care Program of the Year

Catherine Babnick, Cathy's Cottage, LLC

Dutchess County Group Family Day Care Program of the Year

Trudy Lackner, The Children's Corner

Putnam County Group Family Day Care Program of the Year

Marisela Jaramillo

Dutchess County School Age Program of the Year

First Reformed Church of Fishkill

Putnam County School Age Programs of the Year

Green Chimneys Children's Services, Inc.

Dutchess County Day Care Center of the Year

Honeybee Childcare Corp.

Putnam County Day Care Center of the Year

Creative Kids ChildCare Center

Creative Kids Kent, LLC

Creative Kids Mahopac

Dutchess County Child Care Council Award of Excellence

Judy Wyskida

Putnam County Child Care Council Award of Excellence

Rita Acerno



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Thank you to the Staff

Marion Eagen
Assistant Director
27 years

Nancy Owen
Council Clerk
23 years

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Executive Director
17 years

Karen Walsh
Legally Exempt Program Coordinator
9 years

Barbara Garbarino
Putnam County Day Care Registrar
9 years

Lorraine Succimarra
CACFP Coordinator
9 years

Stacey Rosborough
Registration Supervisor
9 years

Rosemarie Lawton
Training Coordinator
Infant/Toddler Specialist
Day Care Registrar
9 years

Kim Wolfe
Putnam County Day Care
Services Administrator
9 years

Dawn Haecker
Putnam County Day Care
Services Assistant
8 years

Carol Taylor
Day Care Registrar
8 years

Mary Schreiber
Putnam County Early
Childhood Specialist
7 years



LaRae Klay
Day Care Registrar
5 years

Darla Fulmer
Day Care Registrar
4 years

Valerie James
Health Care Consultant
6 months

Jessica Harnish
Day Care Registrar
5 months

George Bartalsky
Financial Manager
2 months

Rafaella Rondinelli
Referral and Data Specialist
1 month





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*The Child Care Council of
Dutchess and Putnam, Inc.
celebrates 45 years of service
to the community!*



When I was very young, most of my childhood heroes wore capes, flew through the air, or picked up buildings with one arm. They were spectacular and got a lot of attention. But as I grew, my heroes changed. Now, I can honestly say that anyone who does anything to help a child is a hero to me. ~ Mister Rogers

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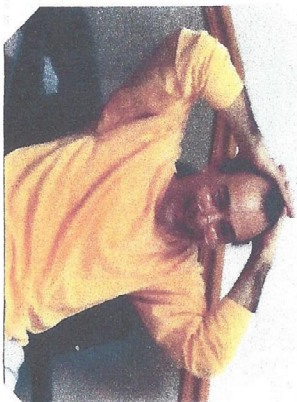




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and all the Champions of Care**

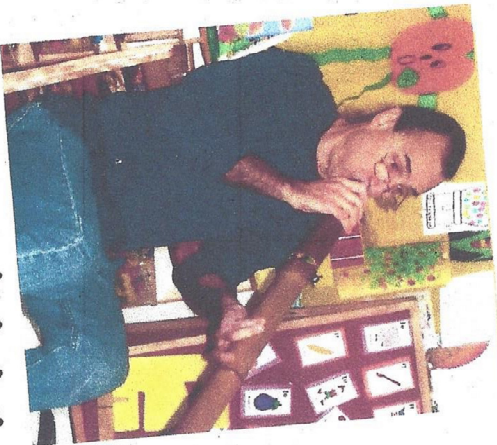


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And hope I'll come to know
How much the offspring means to them,
Their trust in me bestowed.

They bring their child to me
With love and hope and pride,
Looking for a helping hand,
A teacher who will guide.

They bring their child to me,
And our partnership is clear:
To nurture and allow to bloom
A life we both hold dear.

They bring their child to me,
A step toward letting go
And trusting in our special plan
To help the child grow.

~ Gloria Weber Henbesst

