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Awards Ceremony and Dinner Dance Thursday, April 26, 2018 5:45 pm—10:00 pm

2018 Commemorative Journal



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2018	Kathleen Calandrella
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2015	Nancy Ross
2014	Kelly Flaherty
2013	Jaime Edelschick
2012	Stacy Colon
2011	Elizabeth Mabery
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2009	Mariana Romanko
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2007	Rachel Moss
2006	Cara Pezzo
2005	Danielle Keane
2004	Tricia Blake
2003	Anne Nissen
2002	Kris Edelman
2001	Melissa Velez
2000	Pat Warren
1999	Danelle Green
1998	Juliet Stiebeck
1997	Bonnie Rose
1996	Arthur Gunther III

Dynamic Group

2018	Nanuet Family Resource Center and School District
2017	St. Baldrick's, Rockland Group
2016	Jan and Nile Davies Learning Center
2015	Haverstraw Head Start
2014	Nyack Center Staff
2013	JSAC Staff at Jawonio
2012	Campus Fun and Learn
2011	Mighty Fours Playgroup
2010	6:1:2 Team at Jawonio Early Childhood Center
2009	Y's Beginnings of Suffern
2008	Children's Center of Pearl River
2007	After-School Team at Kid's Kingdom
2006	Half-Day Morning Teachers of the Montessori Center of Nyack
2005	YMCA at Montebello
2004	Christa Care and Nyack's Little Schoolhouse
2003	Rockland County 21st Century Collaborative for Children and Youth FRCs
2002	LAP Network
2001	Riverview Nursery School
2000	East Ramapo Kindergarten Staff
1999	West Haverstraw Elementary Puddle Jumpers
1998	Martin Luther King – SAC Program
1997	East Ramapo Pre-Kindergarten
1996	George Miller Inclusion Team



PROGRAM



5:45 PM Children's Champions Awards Ceremony

7:00—10:00 рм Welcome and Introductions Dinner and Dancing Raffles and Prizes

The Honorees

Kenneth Zebrowski

It Takes a Community Award

Nanuet Family Resource Center and School District

Rose Ann Mercado and Dr. Mark McNeil Dynamic Group Award

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Rookie of the Year Award

Sabrina Perykasz Champion in the Trenches Award

Barbara Gavin

The Phyllis Helbraun Award







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- Marian Wright Edelman President, Children's Defense Fund The two of you always reflect professionalism, creativity and success in whatever projects you undertake for the Nanuet School Community

Congratulations Dr. McNeill and Ms. Roseanne Mercado

Continued success and achievement in your endeavors!

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April 26, 2018

Dear Friends,

As Chair of the Assembly Standing Committee on Children and Families, please accept my warmest congratulations as you gather in April, Month of the Young Child, to celebrate with Child Care Resources of Rockland and to honor this group of outstanding individuals for their steadfast commitment to our young children and their families. Indeed "It takes a community to raise a child."

Research clearly indicates that quality child care, early learning and development programs, like roads and bridges, are part of the infrastructure of economic development and a stable, thriving community.

My heartfelt thanks for your dedication to young children and for helping to ensure that every family in Rockland County has access to safe, affordable, quality child care. You should be proud, as I am, of your well-deserved recognition.

Best wishes on this special occasion.

Ellen C. Jaffee

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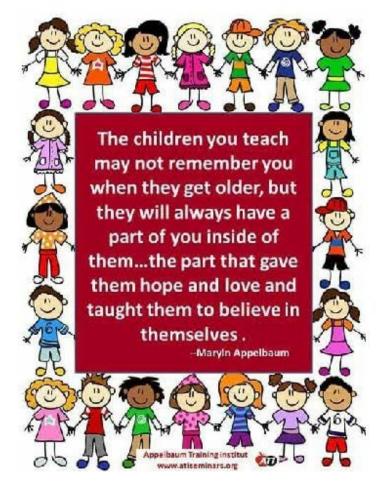
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We are gearing up for the 2019 Children's Champions Celebration and we need your help!

Child Care Resources of Rockland is looking for four individuals and one group, who have demonstrated a commitment to making our community a more caring place for children.



Please complete the 2019 Children's Champions awards nomination form located inside this journal. Thank you!

Save the date!



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Friday, June 1, 2018 | 8:30-10:30 am Rockland Community College *Ellipse Room, Technology Center*

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