



Recognizing the very special people and groups of people, who have made a significant difference in the lives of young children in our community.



Awards Ceremony and Dinner Dance Wednesday, April 19, 2017 5:45 pm—10:00 pm

2017 Commemorative Journal



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CHILDREN'S CHAMPIONS AWARDS ROSTER

It Takes a Community

It Takes a Community	
Thomas Zugibe	2017
Anne Nissen	2016
Nathan Mungin III	2015
Sue Sherwood	2014
Kathy Abramson	2013
Selena Nixon	2012
Louise Schreier	2011
Dr. Sharami Kerr	2010
Keith Cornell	2009
Olivia Thomas	2008
Leonard Bernstein	2007
Jason Friedman	2006
Roberta Zampolin	2005
James B. Neeck	2004
Alexandreena Dixon	2003
Ron Figueroa	2002
Harriet Waldman	2001
Kid's Corner Board of Directors	2000
Dr. Susan Gordon	1999
Dr. Pat Chiarelli	1998
Dr. Fred Frelow	1997
Dr. Paul Bloom	1996

Champion in the Trenches

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Geraldine Maguire	2017
Leslie Bandayan	2016
Mindy Franzone	2015
Ric Rabinowitz	2014
Dorina Maragliano	2013
Rosalinde Ginsburg	2012
Audrie Reicherter	2011
Maria Dowling	2010
Alan Berger	2009
Majoleine Charlotin	2008
April David	2007
Rosamarie Bucci	2006
Elizabeth Bloch	2005
Stacy Butterworth	2004
Sunita Badgujar	2003
Rashmi Bakshi	2002
Marybeth Hodgens	2001
Lauren Grennan	2000
Elaine Kosinski	1999
Max McClintock	1998
Scheindl Michalowitz	1997
Ellen Mitchell	1996

Rookie of the Year

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Ashley Leveille	2017
NA	2016
Nancy Ross	2015
Kelly Flaherty	2014
Jaime Edelschick	2013
Stacy Colon	2012
Elizabeth Mabery	2011
Angelica Sampath	2010
Mariana Romanko	2009
Dina Abed El Hadi	2008
Rachel Moss	2007
Cara Pezzo	2006
Danielle Keane	2005
Tricia Blake	2004
Anne Nissen	2003
Kris Edelman	2002
Melissa Velez	2001
Pat Warren	2000
Danelle Green	1999
Juliet Stiebeck	1998
Bonnie Rose	1997
Arthur Gunther III	1996

Phyllis Helbraun

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Jerry Staller	2017
Dr. Cliff Wood	2016
Dr. Mary Jean Marsico	2015
Marcia Scheer	2014
Gail Koss	2013
Phyllis Morena	2012
Ellen Jaffee	2011
Dr. Arlene Clinkscale	2010
Marian Schlachter	2009
Judy Kesselman	2008
Debrann Giannella	2007
E. Diane Rivera	2006
Debra Tietze	2005
Harriet Cornell	2004
Judith Savage	2003
Sandy Platzman	2002
Jane Stirling	2001
Ann Taylor	2000
Kathleen Sweeney	1999
Dennis Fleming	1998
Irma Ramirez	1997
Mary Jane Pauling	1996
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Dynamic Group

PROGRAM

5:45 PM Awards Ceremony

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



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Thomas Zugibe

It Takes a Community Award

Jerry Staller The Phyllis Helbraun Award

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Geraldine Maguire

Champion in the Trenches Award

St. Baldrick's Fundraiser

Dynamic Group Award

Vincent Garrison and the Entire Garrison Family, Roseann Mercado, Mike Dempsey, Gregg Cosgrove, Jenna Hach, Dominican College, Posa Posa Pizzeria, Mike Fitzgerald - Growler and Gill, Paul Butler - Bailey's Smokehouse

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Thank you for being a part of this very special evening.









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President, Children's Defense Fund

Congratulations to our own Jerry Staller

on receiving the prestigious Phyllis Helbraun Award for his many years of distinguished service to the Early Childhood Community!



"The purpose of life is to contribute in some way to making things better." - Robert F. Kennedy

Jerry exemplifies beyond words, the meaning of this award. He has touched the lives of thousands of children and families who have been the recipients of his enormous generosity, humanity and extraordinary talent. Jawonio is honored to have Jerry as part of our family. The community is a better place because of Jerry Staller.



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Dorys DeMoura	Faigy Kraus	Madge Myrie
Lucy Dominguez	Dora Leon	Donna Perreca
Rachel Felberbaum	Ashley Leveille	Iselsa Rodriguez
Deveoira Feuerstone	Virginia Madden	Shahneeyiah Rodriguez
Lorraine Flood	Faigy Michalowitz	Mindel Rosenblum
Trany Freisel	Sharlene McCallum	Luz Valentin
Trany Goldmunzer	Scheindl Michalowitz	Rivka Schnitzler
Zlata Gruber	Rachel Miller	Angelica Tapia
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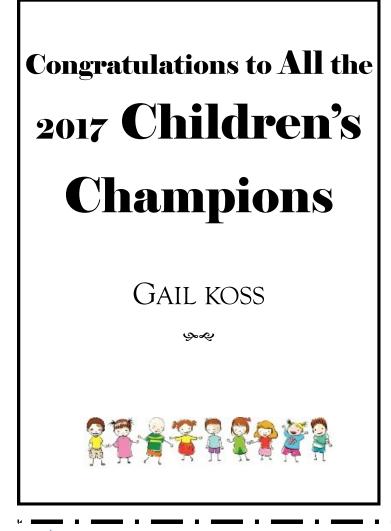
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Congratulations to all of the recipients of the 2017 Children's Champions Award

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The Parent Helpline can help you find programs and services in your community that can help.

1-800-CHILDREN is a free, confidential, multi-lingual information and referral service for anyone who has questions or concerns about a child or family.

A trained Helpline Specialist is available to assist you everyday from 9 a.m. until 10 p.m.



Congratulations to Jerry Staller this year's recipient of the Phyllis Helbraun award

Treat people as if they were what they ought to be, and you help them to become what they are capable of becoming. - Goethe





You have truly made a difference in so many lives!



The Jawonio Early Childhood and Early Intervention Senior Staff





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PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY SUPPORT NETWORK SERVICES

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HOW TO REACH US

For more information call 1 (844) 418-5618 Leave your name, number and the best time for us to reach you. A Family Peer Advocate will return your call.



Mailing Address: Saint Dominic's Home Family Support Network 500 Western Highway Blauvelt, NY 10918



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to all of the 2017

Children's Champions





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April 19, 2017

Dear Friends,

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 service and support of young children and their families in Rockland County. 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.

Thank you for your dedication to young children and for helping to ensure that every child in Rockland County has equal access to quality child care. You should be proud, as I am, of your well-deserved recognition.

Best wishes on this special occasion.

Ellen C. Jaffee

Ellen C. Jaffee Chair of the Assembly Committee on Children and Families

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Rockland County District Attorney IT TAKES A COMMUNITY AWARD

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THE DYNAMIC GROUP AWARD

Geraldine Maguire

Family Child Care Provider/Ger's Home Away from Home CHAMPION IN THE TRENCHES AWARD

Jerry Staller

Division Director, Education and Clinical Services of Jawonio **THE PHYLLIS HELBRAUN AWARD**

Ashley Leveille

Lead Teacher, Tutor Time New City *Rookie of the Year Award*

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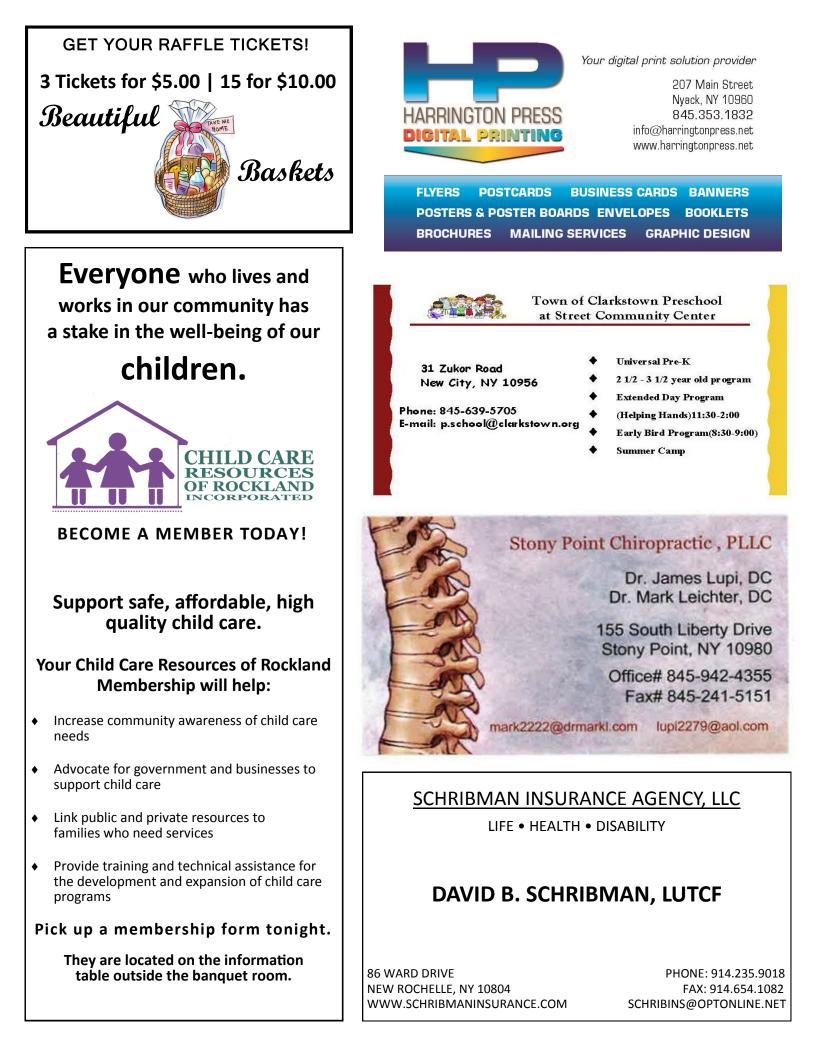
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Geraldine Maguire, St. Baldrick's Fundraiser, Jerry Staller,

Ashley Leveille, and Thomas Zugibe.



CONGRESSWOMAN NITA M. LOWEY



Nominate Your Champion!

We are gearing up for the 2018 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 2018 Children's Champions awards nomination form located inside this journal. Thank you!

Save the date!



Our Annual Meeting PLEASE JOIN THE DISCUSSION

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Friday, June 2, 2017 | 8:30-10:00 am Rockland Community College *Ellipse Room, Technology Center*

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Thank you for taking a stand on behalf of Rockland County's youngest citizens. Your dedication and commitment to their well-being is making a difference in their lives and in the lives of their families—today and in the future.

Jerry Staller

Division Director, Education and Clinical Services, Jawonio The Phyllis Helbraun Award

> *St. Baldrick's Fundraiser The Dynamic Group Award*

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