

2005 Nominees

Provider of the Year

Michael Alexander * Monica Alexander * Latrecia Arrington * Eboney Davis * Irma Day * Ruthie Floyd * Rebecca Freeland * Stephanie Justice * Joette Lee * Ollie Marsaw * Cecilia Molina * Julie Neuhauser * Earleen Pringle * Monica Rodriguez * Rosemary Showen * Michele Whittaker * Tracy Williams

Family Child Care Provider of the Year

Cyrstal & Jason Devlin * Michael Fournier * Maria Gamboa * Samina Khan * Mary Anne O'Shaughnessy * Barbie & Richard Soito * Sue Sparks-Fournier * Mylinda Weiss

Program Excellence Award

Beanstalk-Crest Drive * Beanstalk * Ridgepoint * Ms. Barbara's ABC Learning Center * Only Love Children's Center * Rosemont Playschool

Inclusion Care Award

St. Stephen's Preschool * National Human Development Foundation-Carmichael

The Selection Process

Nomination forms are distributed via Child Action, Inc. Nominations are received from parents and co-workers of child care providers, as well as interested community members. The Local Child Care & Development Planning Council selects a panel of judges, which then makes final decisions for each category based on what has been written about nominees.

2005 Selection Committee

Loretta Smith, Specialist, Licensing Division
Kathryn Skrabo, Program Supervisor, DHHS, Mental Health - Infant Program

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(please retain your ticket stub for the drawings)

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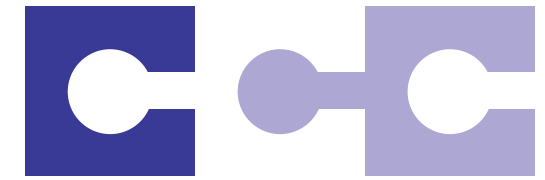
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The Sacramento County Child Care Coalition

presents the...

21st Annual Child Care Awards Dinner

In Praise of Providers



Thursday, April 7, 2005

DoubleTree Hotel
2001 Point West Way, Sacramento



The History of "In Praise of Providers"

Since 1984, the Sacramento Child Care Coalition has recognized child care providers and members of the community who have demonstrated a strong commitment to quality child care in Sacramento County. This year, we celebrate the 21st anniversary of the "In Praise of Providers" Awards Dinner.

The Sacramento Child Care Coalition was formed in 1982 to provide a forum for government, community agencies, business leaders, and child care providers to plan child care services that meet the diverse needs of Sacramento families. In 1997, the Sacramento Local Child Care & Development Planning Council became the mandated planning entity for child care services in Sacramento County.

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**Reflects sponsorships received as of March 24, 2005.*



Program Agenda

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Hors d' Oeuvres & No Host Cocktails

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Dinner

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Awards Ceremony

Master of Ceremonies:

Lynsey Paulo, KCRA, Channel 3

Entertainment provided by the Sacramento Youth Symphony.

Presenters

Roger Dickinson, Chair, Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, District 1

Elinor Hickey, Trustee, Area One, Sacramento County Board of Education

Don Notolli, Supervisor, Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, District 5

2005 Community Awards

The Slavic Project

The Slavic Project is recognized for its work within the Slavic Community to create and build a network of child care providers.

Warmline Family Resource Center

Warmline Family Resource Center is recognized for its commitment and efforts in providing information, education, and support to promote and strengthen the foundation of families and children with special needs.



2005 Provider of the Year

Joette Lee

As a mentor and teacher at the American River College Child Development Program, Joette Lee finds her greatest reward in watching students grapple with information as they make a true connection in the learning process. When she retires later this year, she plans to become a community volunteer and advocate on behalf of child care issues.

2005 Family Child Care Provider of the Year

Mary Anne O'Shaughnessy

Since 1995 Mary Anne's home and heart have been open to families seeking quality child care. She is a big believer in communication, especially when it comes to the parents of the children for which she cares. "It's important to get to know the family and incorporate their family values into the program," she says. She believes in accepting the family as a whole.

2005 Program Excellence Award

Beanstalk-Ridgepoint

When you enter the inviting environment of Beanstalk's Ridgepoint Latchkey Program, you are greeted with a cheerful hello and a smile by staff, and the children who are eager to share what they have learned that day. Longevity is at the heart of the program's success. Beanstalk - Ridgepoint's teachers have been with the program almost since its inception nearly 18 years ago. It is their remarkable dedication and commitment that have touched the community and children.

2005 Inclusive Care Award

St. Stephen's Preschool

"Children grow and develop at different rates whether they are a typically developing child or a child with special needs," says Sally Sutter, program director for St. Stephen's Preschool. The philosophy of looking at each child as an individual is fundamental to the success St. Stephen's has experienced in providing inclusive care.

