

CONVOCAATION SPONSORS

Belknap County Citizens Council on Children and Families

Belknap County CoRe Coalition

Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region

Child and Family Services of New Hampshire

Conference Center at Opechee Inn and Spa*

Greater Laconia Child Advocacy Center
(Courtesy of Tammy and Mark Emery)

Lakes Region Child Care Services

Lakes Region Coca-Cola Bottling Company

Lakes Region Linen

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New Beginnings

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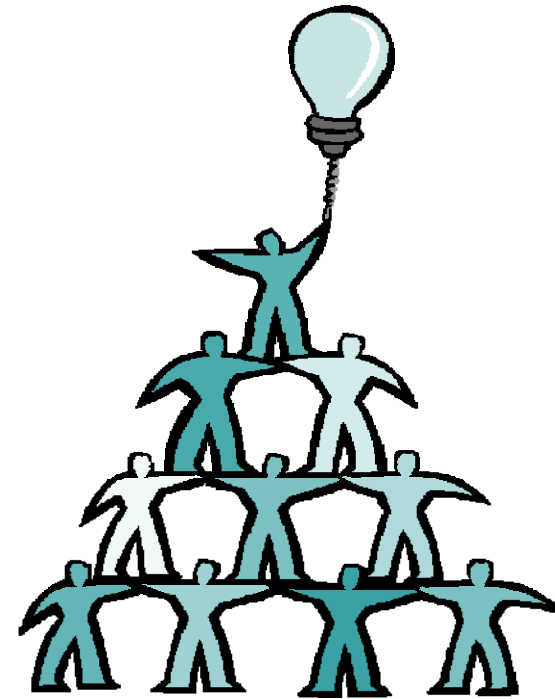
The Friends Program

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Winnisquam Regional School District

Youth Services Bureau

BELKNAP COUNTY CONVOCAATION ON CHILDREN & FAMILIES



**"Community Sense
Makes
Common Sense"**

JANUARY 22, 2008

**An Annual Event Honoring
Children and Families in
Belknap County**

*A very special thank you to Kathy Eastwood for 5 years of professional service to this Convocation event.

SCHEDULE

- 3:30pm** Registration, Exhibits, Networking
- *Exhibitor Showcase – Winnisquam Room*
 - *School Projects – Opechee Room*
- 5:00pm** School Presentations – Opechee Room
- 5:30pm** Catered Buffet Dinner
- 6:00pm** School Presentations
- “Windows On Our Community”
7th Grade Integrated Arts, Belmont Middle School
Hannah Drew & Kaitlyn Shaw, student presenters
 - “The Tilton-Northfield Arch: Our Community Symbol”
9th Grade, Winnisquam Regional High School
Brianna Brouillard, student presenter
 - “The New Hampton Witch”
5th grade, New Hampton Community School
Students & teachers, presenters
- 6:30pm** Annette P Schmitt UnSung Hero Award
Judge Willard “Bud” Martin, presenter
- 7:05pm** “Stone Soup: A ‘Rock’ Opera”
- 2nd Grade, Gilford Elementary School
Students & teachers
- 7:30pm** Adjourn

ANNETTE P. SCHMITT UNSUNG HERO AWARD

The Annette P. Schmitt UnSung Hero Award recognizes those who have worked quietly behind the scenes on behalf of children and families in Belknap County without any expectation of recognition. This award is presented annually to honor the late Annette P. Schmitt, a New Hampshire resident, whose desire was to improve the lives of children and families in our community.

Award recipients have been involved with children and families during the previous year and over a sustained period of time. They quietly model the principles of Community Justice in their work and lives.

Previous UnSung Hero Award recipients include:

- 2002:** Juvenile Probation and Parole Officers, *Belknap County*
- 2003:** Deb Williams, *Laconia*
- 2004:** Paul Plimpton, *Belmont*
- 2005:** Dawn McCartney, *Barnstead*
- 2006:** David Tryon, *Tilton*
- 2007:** Wendy French, *Tilton*

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

The theme for the 2008 Belknap County Convocation on Children and Families, “Community Sense Makes Common Sense”, is expanded and interpreted through the eyes of children and youth from throughout Belknap County. In May of 2007, schools and others were invited to create some type of curriculum-generated project that could be shared at this 2008 event. Students were asked by their teachers or leaders, “What does ‘community’ mean to you?” Then with the guidance and support of their adult leaders, these students answered this question by creating projects of all descriptions. Eighteen different groups of youth from every corner of Belknap County share their efforts at this Convocation event.

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- Belmont Elementary School – Projects from two second grade classrooms
 - Belmont Middle School – 7th Grade
 - Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region *
 - Chapel Valley 4-H Club, Sanbornton *
 - Elm Street School, Laconia – 4th Grade
 - Gilford Elementary School – 2nd Grade
 - Gilford High School – Art Program
 - Gilmanton School – Grades 6-8
 - Inter-Lakes High School – Art Program
 - Inter-Lakes Middle School – Art Program
 - Lakes Region Child Care Centers *
 - New Hampton Community School – 5th Grade
 - Pleasant Street School, Laconia – 2nd Grade
 - Pleasant and Elm Street Schools, Laconia – 4th Grade Art Program
 - Project EXTRA, Laconia School District *
 - Prospect Mountain High School, Alton & Barnstead – 10th Grade
 - Winnisquam Regional High School, Tilton & Sanbornton – 9th Grade

*Created decorative placemats for each table setting

YOUTH EMCEES

Mae Baker

Belmont

Jeremiah Dadian

Laconia

Samantha Hannan

Laconia

Angie Joyce

Laconia

Jim LaBrie

Laconia

Samantha MacDonald

Gilford

*We are also pleased to have joining us this year youth volunteers from:
Belknap County Restorative Justice, The Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region,
Youth Services Bureau, and Townline 4-H.