Annual Awards and Recognition 2018

Do you know an outstanding Teacher?
How about a Health Care Professional going above and beyond?
A volunteer group that shines in their efforts to help?

Now is your chance to honor these individuals and groups!

Each year, The Arc/Morris County recognizes excellence and outstanding achievement through the Annual Awards and Volunteer Recognition Program. Awards are given in areas that support our organization’s mission of care, support, and advancement of people with intellectual and related developmental disabilities and their families. Nominations are received in several categories. After careful review and consideration, award winners are chosen. A number of these winners then have their names submitted to The Arc of New Jersey and The Arc of The United States, where award recipients on our local level have received recognition over the years. This year, we would again like to receive from you, our members, consumers, families, and friends, nominations in the following categories:

Volunteer of the Year - to recognize those persons in the Morris County community who give generously of their time and talents to accomplish the mission of The Arc/Morris. The volunteer cannot have received remuneration for his/her service.

Teacher of the Year - to recognize a classroom teacher who has demonstrated excellence in teaching students with intellectual and other developmental disabilities in Morris County. The nominee must have been actively engaged in the teaching profession during the year the award is made.

Professional of the Year - to recognize an individual employed in a community intellectual disability service program who has demonstrated sensitivity and the ability to provide outstanding quality that results in increased independence for people with intellectual disabilities. Eligible occupations include, but are not limited to, social work, service coordination, direct care, psychology, vocational counseling, therapy, or administration.
**Distinguished Service Award** - to recognize an individual who has made outstanding contributions in his/her lifetime to the welfare of persons with intellectual disabilities in Morris County.

**Distinguished Community Service Award** - to recognize a volunteer organization, which has performed an outstanding service on behalf of people with intellectual disabilities in Morris County.

**Media Excellence Award** - to honor outstanding community media efforts that create better understanding of intellectual disabilities and individuals affected by it. Must have been broadcast or published during the last twelve month period ending March 31, 2017.

**Health Care Professional Award** - to honor those medical or dental professionals with exceptional records of providing health or dental care service to people with intellectual or other developmental disabilities. Achievements must go beyond what is required by federal, state, or local law.

**Employer of the Year** - to confer recognition each year on those employers in businesses, industry, and government with exceptional records of providing competitive employment opportunities for workers with intellectual disabilities in Morris County. Achievements must exceed the requirements of federal, state, or local laws.

**Bill Sackter Citizenship Award** - to recognize an individual with intellectual disabilities who is an achieving, integrated member of his or her community. Priority will be given to individuals who have overcome adversity and accomplished beyond expectations.

If you have a candidate(s) in mind for any of these awards, please complete the enclosed nomination form and return it to the address listed. Any questions or inquiries concerning the awards can be directed to info@arcmorris.org.

Please note that the deadline for nomination forms to be returned is April 2, 2018.

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The Arc/Morris
1 Executive Drive, POB 123
Morris Plains, NJ 07950-0123
www.arcmorris.org
2018 Nomination Form The Arc/Morris Chapter Awards

A separate Nomination Form must be used for each award submitted.

Award ____________________________________________

Please fill in name of award from explanation memo.

Name of Nominee __________________________________

Address _________________________________________

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Home Phone ____________ Work Phone ____________

E-mail Address ____________________________________

Reason for nomination (use additional sheets if necessary):

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Please attach any supporting data. Please note it will not be returned.

Submitted by:

Name ____________________________________________

Address _________________________________________

Home Phone __________________ Work Phone __________

E-mail address ____________________________________

Please return Nomination Forms by April 2, 2018 to:

Mr. William R. Testa, Executive Director
The Arc/Morris
PO Box 123, Morris Plains, NJ 07950-0123
The Arc/Morris
Spring Membership Meeting
Wednesday, March 21, 2018 – 7:30 p.m.

Services & Supports at The Arc/Morris Chapter in 2018

William R. Testa, Executive Director
Gail J. Paradise, Assistant Executive Director
Ann M. Espada, Assistant Executive Director

As the transition to a very different system of financing adult services and supports continues, this meeting will provide an overview of what The Arc/Morris provides and our perspective on how current and future services might be impacted by the changes that are taking place.

The Arc/Morris Hanover Center
150 Algonquin Parkway
 Whippany, NJ 07981

Brief Business Meeting and Light Refreshments. Please RSVP
Marianella at 973-428-5136 x 101

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