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2001 Cooperman-Bogue Awards Dinner



Take Time for
Kids

March 22, 2001

*Dedicated to the memory of
Thomas H. Esslinger, Executive Director of
Big Brothers Big Sisters for 22 years.*

2000 Cooperman-Bogue Award Winners

First Quarter Winner

Leesther Williams, Community Resource Team Educator, has worked at Family Service Centers for nine years. She received two Cooperman-Bogue Awards nominations. Leesther is an inspiration to both children and adults, dedicated to children's rights, and exudes both a positive attitude and an abundance of energy. She has responded in the middle of the night to give emotional support to distraught rape victims. Co-workers know they can count on Leesther for help when needed.

Second Quarter Winner

Ann Phillips, Family Support Specialist, has worked at Personal Enrichment through Mental Health Services for 15 years. She makes sure all children have holiday gifts, clothing, and food. She does not hesitate to work as late as 11 p.m. to help foster home children keep their placement. Ann also has worked to set up a pantry to meet immediate client needs. She always maintains a positive attitude and puts children first.

Third Quarter Winner

Leland Wheeler, Adolescent Day Treatment Therapist, has worked at Suncoast Center for Community Mental Health's Adolescent Treatment Program since February of 1999. He is known for his willingness to help fellow staffers. He once assisted a co-worker having difficulty with a case, while also helping the client get through a difficult time. Leland turned the personal loss of one of his family members into a learning experience on loss and grief for adolescents in his care. He is willing to take on tough cases.

Fourth Quarter Winner

Jennifer Saulpaugh, Youth Advocate for The Haven of Religious Community Services, has been with the agency for three years. She willingly stays late to see a child or parent unable to meet her during normal working hours. Her soft, gentle approach reflects a sense of genuine care and concern. Parents look to Jennifer for support in dealing with unruly children. Her co-workers look to her as a mediator.

Program

Social Hour 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Welcome 7:00 p.m.

Myrtle Smith-Carroll, Chair
Juvenile Welfare Board

James E. Mills, ACSW
Executive Director
Juvenile Welfare Board

Emcee, *Jeff Berardelli*
Tampa Bay's 10 WTSP

Dinner

Keynote Speakers:

Annette Segesman & Charron Moore
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Pinellas County
Brian Smith & Cornelius Rowell
Eckerd Youth Alternatives - Hi-Five Pinellas
Gerard and Bonnie Phaneuf & David Urbina
Gulf Coast Community Care-Linking Lifetimes

Acknowledgement of Special Guests

Video Presentation

Awards Presentation:

Thomas R. Moriarty
Former Juvenile Welfare Board Member
Sr. Vice President, AEGON Equity Group