



The Advocate Aspect

Family Support Center and Kids First Children's Advocacy Center – May 2011
Programs of Rural Resources Community Action – a non-profit agency

2010 volunteer of the Year



Renee Mahaney, Debbie Rogers, Clayton Allen, Shamra Coy

Debbie Rogers, our 2010 Volunteer of the Year has worked tirelessly serving families in our community. She has dedicated more than **850** hours, including **79** Help Line shifts, **63** hours of Office Advocacy, **7** hours of Court Advocacy, and **12** hours serving on our Advisory Board and Fundraising Committee.

We have watched her devote much of her time to families in need. Every person that goes to her is treated with dignity, empathy, respect and compassion...supporting not only victims, but our staff as well. She is truly a blessing to our community, our program, and the families she touches.

Over the last year, while finishing school and working full-time, she found the time to answer calls, work on policy and procedure issues, raise money, and attend trainings.

Debbie's calming spirit has touched so many lives...calmness is a gift in trauma work, and we truly appreciate hers.

Thank you Debbie!

Coming together is a beginning...Keeping together is progress...Working together is success
- Henry Ford

2010 Advisory Board Member of the Year



Linda Norris, Stephanie Sanders & Millie Wallen

Millie Wallen, our 2010 Advisory Board Member of the Year has been like a butterfly coming out of her cocoon. She pushed herself “just a little”...and flew out beautifully, ready to help others with her wonderful gifts and great desire to make a difference.

After she learned so much so quickly, she was just as quick to push on and get the message out. She has formed relationships with people in our communities and set about offering our services regarding abuse prevention and education.

When we called her, she answers with a “yes, what can I do to help?” The beauty of her inner being still flutters forth as we take on more tasks.

Millie Wallen

We honor you and we thank you!

2010 Business of the Year



Mary Page, Delores Hall, Sue Richardson, Peggy Mandin, and Susan Urhausen

Kettle Falls Focus, our 2010 Business of the Year gives us an excellent medium to share crucial information with the citizens of Stevens County. Through their small but powerful staff, they graciously help us “get the word out” about issues that affect so many of our local residents: domestic violence, sexual assault, elder abuse and so many other crimes.

Partnerships are especially vital in rural communities, and we value the one we share with them. It is always a pleasure when our Family Support Center staff has the opportunity to collaborate with one of their fine professionals. They are a valued resource to our local residents and we truly appreciate our friends at the –

Kettle Falls Focus

Thank you for all you do!



2010 Community Person of the Year



Stephanie Sanders, Pam Jacobs, and Linda Norris

Pam Jacobs, our 2010 Community Person of the Year has a passion for kids. Pam is a member of our “Committee of Champions” – champions for kids! Her yearning to keep kids safe manifests itself in so many ways. She attended the Kettle Falls City Council meeting with fear and trembling, and told them about our Stewards of Children, child sexual abuse prevention program. She has approached other community leaders with the news of Stewards of Children. There wasn’t much that stopped her, as she pressed on. She believes in the safety of our children, she acts on it, and truly makes a difference!

Pam Jacobs, our Champion

Thanks for all you do!

2010 Organization of the Year



Laura Wilson, Joyce Nelson & Joe Thomas

International Order of the Foresters...
our 2010 Organization of the Year.

Thank you... For thinking of us and wondering how you could help.

Thank you... For remembering us and all the kids we serve. Instead of being too busy, or just forgetting about it, you worked hard and then gave to others.

Thank you... For putting us on your calendar when you have so many other things to do.

We are honored...and now we Honor You!



Story Time for Kids

Family Support Center in conjunction with the Stevens County libraries and local law enforcement sponsored a "Story Time" for kids for the month of April, which is Child Abuse Awareness Month.

Some of our favorite locals, Stevens County Sheriff Kendle Allen, and the Police Chiefs Troy Anderson from Chewelah, Bob Meshishnek from Colville, and Scott Sterland from Kettle Falls read during story time at the libraries in their communities.

The kids showed up to hear some of their favorite stories read by "famous" people in their community. The kids and their parents received fun bags filled with blue ribbon stickers, bookmarks, positive and practical parenting tips, and lots of activities for the kids and their parents to do together!

There was definitely FUN had by all!



Troy Anderson, Chewelah Chief of Police



Bob Meshishnek, Colville Chief of Police



Scott Sterland, Kettle Falls Chief of Police



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Thank You for your donations!



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A very special thank-you goes to our anonymous donor who brings Christmas joy to girls and boys. She graciously gives year after year...and never gets to see the smiles and cheer she brings to others, as she freely gives the things that clients need to live.

Donating so that families can buy school supplies or clothes for their children to wear...she is our great hero!

Because all great heroes wear a mask, as they secretly do their good deed task...Thank you for all you've done!



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