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Weiler Corporation to be honored at PSFC Annual Dinner on April 9

Pocono Services for Families and Children invites the community to attend its Annual Dinner and Community Celebration on Thursday, April 9, at Shawnee Inn and Golf Resort.

During the evening, awards will be presented and the agency will report on its achievements during the past year. Taking place in the Worthington Ballroom, the event starts at 5:30 p.m. with fellowship and continues with a buffet dinner at 6 p.m. The program, which will include some surprises, will run from 7 to about 8:30 p.m.

Honorees include Weiler Corporation, which will receive the Champion for Children Award for the business' ongoing commitment to PSFC's families, programming needs and the agency's mission. Weiler's involvement in adopting Head Start families for the holiday season has grown each year, with employees adopting 19 families in 2014. The company is a sponsor of PSFC's annual dinner and it supports United Way of Monroe County and Bridges out of Poverty, which indirectly benefit PSFC families. In addition, Weiler recently gave a generous in-kind donation of office furniture to the nonprofit agency.

Former PSFC manager Elaine Keogh-Martinez will be honored posthumously with the Eugenia Eden Award for her strong and continuous support of early education. Martinez was a resident of Albrightsville and dedicated more than 20 years of her career to Monroe County Head Start/PSFC. Her family will accept the distinction on her behalf.

An Outstanding Former Head Start Parent and Outstanding Head Start Graduate will also be recognized.

Dinner donation per person is \$45 and reservations should be made by April 3. To RSVP, call Chris Grape-Garvey, PSFC's community resources coordinator, at 570-421-2711, ext. 238 or email cgrapegarvey@psfc.org.

Sponsors for the evening include: ESSA Bank & Trust, the Mattioli Foundation, AmeriHealth Northeast, Vigon International, Weiler Corporation, PPL, Pocono Medical Center, Keystone Propane and Sanofi Pasteur.

The mission of Pocono Services for Families and Children is to provide resources for the evolving needs of community children and families, in support of efforts to achieve their goals. The nonprofit agency has served Monroe County since 1965 and continues to expand services and implement new initiatives. Its programs include Head Start, parenting education, emergency assistance and youth mentoring. PSFC has centers in East Stroudsburg, Coolbaugh Township and Brodheadsville, as well as classrooms at Clear Run Elementary, JM Hill, Resica Elementary and Middle Smithfield Elementary.

PSFC is accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs (NAEYC). For more information, visit www.psfc.org or call 570-421-2711.

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