

THE 2007 ALLIES IN PREVENTION AWARDS LUNCHEON

On March 29th, the 5th annual Allies in Prevention Awards Luncheon once again offered Northern Virginia the opportunity to recognize leaders in the community who have gone above and beyond in their efforts to protect children and support families.



Keynote Speaker Anne Holton, First Lady of Virginia (center), offered an engaging and important perspective on our community's at-risk children. She was introduced by Freddie Mac Foundation Chairman Ralph Boyd (left) and welcomed by SCAN Executive Director Diane Charles.

More than 150 guests, including elected officials, abuse prevention advocates, social service providers and members of the press, attended the event, held at the Army-Navy Country Club in Arlington. SCAN of Northern Virginia and the Allies in Prevention Coalition welcomed Campaign Sponsors the Freddie Mac Foundation and Verizon, along with a number of other supporters.

First Lady of Virginia Anne Holton, introduced by Freddie Mac Foundation Chairman Ralph Boyd, offered the keynote address. She was joined by NBC4 Anchor Keith Garvin, who presented the 2007 Ally in Prevention Awards to this year's honorees.



Special guests included (L to R): NBC4 Anchor Keith Garvin; First Lady of Virginia Anne Holton; Award winners Debra Collins, Mary Craig, Pam Hayba and Beth Pollard, Jenny Snellings, who accepted on behalf of her late sister, Judith Hays; SCAN Executive Director Diane Charles; and SCAN Board President Charles Spearman.

The event also served as an opportunity to kick-off Northern Virginia's 2007 Blue Ribbon Campaign. This year, the campaign focuses on parent support: "Parenting can be tough. Asking for help doesn't have to be." A variety of public education materials were unveiled and distributed at the event.

Special thanks to all who made this very important event possible!



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2007 ALLY IN PREVENTION AWARD WINNERS:



BETH POLLARD, FAIRFAX



DEBRA COLLINS, ALEXANDRIA



MARY CRAIG, ARLINGTON



PAM HAYBA, LOUDOUN



JUDITH HAYS, PRINCE WILLIAM