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2015 ANNUAL APPEAL AWARDS DINNER

CEO MESSAGE

Dear Friends of the Alfond Youth Center,

Each year in May we come together at this event, our Annual Appeal Awards Dinner, to celebrate our great mission. Thanks to your generosity we are able to serve 150 children daily throughout the year by giving them a safe place during out of school time, providing mentoring from the best in our community, and teaching strong values for future success. At our Boys & Girls Club and YMCA youth are not only inspired to dream, but more importantly, we help them set the goals and create the plan of action to help them obtain those dreams.

Our organizations have served this community for over 90 years and helped many members become involved leaders of this community. Our hope is to continue providing the type of quality programming that inspires our youth to succeed and pay it forward, as so many, some being honored here tonight, already have. AYC youth members flourish in our tradition of giving back and volunteering and as these lessons, learned here at the AYC, continue to blossom our youth will transform our local and world-wide communities.

At this Awards Dinner we recognize just a few of our most dedicated volunteers. These individuals have given so much of themselves that each has created his and her own legacy for supporting our youth. We are proud to share with you all the opportunity of honoring each.

It is also a time to welcome back our Youth Alumni, like "the Doolan boys," Joshua and Jake (pictured below). These twin brothers first walked through our doorway in 2000 at the age of six. While their Mom worked, went to school, and provided a stable home environment as a single mom Joshua and Jake filled our building with their boundless energy each and every day. Both excelled in High School and now attend the Maine Maritime Academy. Now, 15 years later, we welcome them home as two of the many examples of youth who have developed successful foundations here at the Boys & Girls Clubs and YMCA.

We are especially pleased and excited to welcome the Boys & Girls Clubs of America President and CEO Jim Clark as our keynote speaker. Jim's leadership at the National level has helped every individual Club improve its own tools for success. I also want to thank Greg Powell, Chairmen of the Harold Alfond® Foundation for his inspiration and guidance. Greg leads the HAF Board in challenging our organization to continuously grow and improve, which has helped us develop the strategic plan and business model that will insure long-term sustainability for our organization.

We thank you all for a great year! With your generous support we look forward to another terrific year demonstrating ever-improving results in serving our youth and community.

MISSION

To inspire and enable all young people and their families to realize their full potential as healthy, productive, responsible and caring citizens.

Best Always,

KENNETH A. WALSH







ALFOND YOUTH CENTER

Introductions

Kenneth A. Walsh, CEO AYC

Master of Ceremonies

Brent Burger, Incoming AYC Board Chair

Invocation

Reverend Bill Atchison

Youth of the Year, George Keller Foundation Scholarship Award

Presented by Carolyn Greene, Board Member

Zoe Perkins



Presented by Maeghan Maloney, Board Member

M. Michaela Murphy

Fran Purnell

John Trinward

Mike Levenseller

Romeo Paganucci Awards

Presented by Maeghan Maloney

John Beaupre

Eric Gottesman

Martha Paganucci Awards

Presented by Maeghan Maloney

Juli Jones

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Special Recognition Award

Presented by Greg Powell, Chairman Harold Alfond® Foundation

Special Acknowledgements

Presented by Brent Burger

Basil Hanscom Fellowship—Meredith Dean

Barbara Atkins Scholarship

Kids with Cameras Program—Colby College

Backpack Program—Bill & Vicki Mitchell

Community Leadership Award

Presented by Kenneth A. Walsh, CEO AYC

Peter Haynes

Keynote Address

Jim Clark, President & CEO of Boys & Girls Clubs of America









Brent joined the AYC board in 2010. He currently serves as the first vice chair, is chair of the governance committee, and is this year's incoming Board Chair. Brent co-owns and operates five Campbell's Agway True Value stores located in Central Maine as well as an energy business, Val-U-Energy, in Madison, Maine. He is Chairman of the Board of True Value Company, based in Chicago, IL and serves as the president of the True Value Foundation, which primarily focuses on youth development and community engagement.



Master of Ceremonies
BRENT BURGER

Brent continues to champion the **Campbell's True Value Kid's Garden** at the AYC. This program is an effort to provide "Young Sprouts" a "Place for Kids to Grow," teach youth about gardening and sustainability, and to grow produce cooked and eaten in the Kid's Kitchen Program at the AYC.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Our After School Program Provides

- ♦ Service to over 300 children that are registered members
- ♦ 40,000 hot meals a year with the goal to increase that to 53,000 meals
- ♦ Homework assistance and tutoring in our Education room—Summer Brain Gain
- Art program activities and theatrical engagement
- Healthy and active living through the New Balance Foundation Fitness Program, swimming,
 basketball, Karate, and many other seasonal programs scheduled throughout the year
- ♦ Safe, clean and supportive environment when school is not in session
- ♦ Free Transportation from all area schools to the club
- ♦ One-on-one mentoring opportunities





GEORGE KELLER FOUNDATION



In 2001, the late Lester Jolovitz, along with his wife Barbara, established an endowment in George Keller's name for high school seniors entering college as freshmen who are graduating from schools serviced by the AYC. Mr. Keller was one of the founding members of our Camp Tracy at McGrath Pond as well as a close friend of Mr. Jolovitz. Mr. Keller stood for caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. Along with these traits the criteria for the Keller Scholarship include stellar academics, time spent volunteering, and going above and beyond in service for past and present Alfond Youth Center members.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Waterville YOUTH



Zoe Perkins is a junior at Skowhegan High School and embodies everything we hope to find in our Youth of the Year.

Unfortunately, Zoe's father died in a plane crash early in her life leaving her mother, Michele to raise Zoe as a single Mom. They became family members of our organization as Zoe participated in our after school program, swam on the Dolphin Swim Team and studied martial arts during out of school time. Michele worked for us as an assistant Aquatics Director and ran our municipal outdoor pool. Both mother and daughter consistently meet life's challenges with positive enthusiasm.

As Zoe grew so did her role as leader at the AYC. She took part in the Torch and Keystone leadership programs and, taking after her black belt awarded Mom and Dad, continued to advance in martial arts. As a cherished mentor in our swimming program Zoe always helped with a willing smile both in and outside of our facility.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Carolyn moved to Waterville from Chicago in July 2014 when she promptly joined the AYC Board and serves on our After School Committee. A first generation college student, Carolyn earned her bachelor's degree in developmental psychology at the University of California, Berkeley and her master's degree in human development and psychology at Harvard University. Carolyn directed early education centers and after school programs as well as outreach and instructional programs for Children's Television Workshop (now Sesame Workshop) and for KQED, the PBN of San Francisco. Most recently, she enjoys her success as a jewelry designer and business owner. A native of Alameda, California Carolyn is delighted to be back in New England, where she has lived much of her adult life. She and her husband, David, have three school-age children and live in Waterville.



OF THE YEAR ZOE PERKINS

Zoe's love of life and desire to excel propelled her to consistently win honors for her athletic accomplishments. Adamantly against the use of drugs and alcohol she often expressed that "it is better to get high on life than find a false substitute."

Zoe's passion for knowledge also started young and continues to grow. She excels in school and has the drive to be the best in her class. Though Zoe was given a scholarship opportunity to attend Kents Hill, a private high school, she did not attend. While true that it was financially unfeasible for her family, Zoe knew her Mom needed help at home and gladly remained by her mother's side to provide support. Zoe's present goal to attend MIT is off to a good start as she was one of twenty chosen from 387 applicants to participate in the Women's Technology Program this summer at the institution. Congratulations, Zoe; you are the true role model of the ideal balanced life.

Many children at the Boys & Girls Club & YMCA face challenging circumstances. Not only did Zoe lose her father at a young age but she experienced three years of ruthless bullying in elementary school. Emotionally and financially Zoe and her mother struggled but they always created positive solutions and continue to keep their heads high, working together to make the best of every opportunity. Though she could have turned down a darker path Zoe always looks on the bright side and finds more in this world to learn, love and inspire to become.

We are honored to know that Zoe is a product of our Boys & Girls Club and more importantly, a member of our AYC family. She is and will continue to be a mentor to many others.



2015 HALL of FAME AWARDS

Presenter

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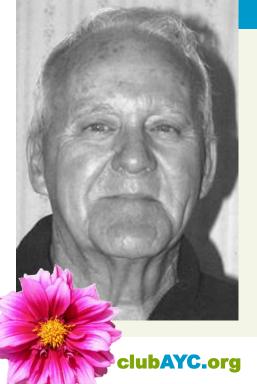
A graduate of Harvard Law School, Maeghan has served as a Deputy District Attorney, Assistant Attorney General, State Representative for House District 57 and is the current District Attorney for Kennebec and Somerset Counties. In 2011, Maeghan was instrumental in establishing Maine's first Veteran's Court to efficiently address the unique legal needs of our veterans. She also serves on the AYC Board of Directors and is probably most well-noted for beating 23 year veteran and CEO Ken Walsh at raising funds for this years Shamrock Shiver Polar Bear Dip! Maeghan and her husband, Christopher have two school age children.



M. MICHAELA MURPHY

Michaela joined the Alfond Youth Center board in 2001 and has served on numerous committees and task forces. Michaela is devoted to serving the kids that need us most and has helped develop safety policies to better protect the underprivileged. From 2013 to 2015 Michaela served as the Chief Volunteer Officer of the Alfond Youth Center. During her leadership our strategic plan was developed, approved and implemented which resulted in creating amazing financial results for our mission. A plant fund was established, renovations at the AYC were conducted and Fenway Park at Camp Tracy was turfed.

Michaela is a Maine Superior Judge. She is married to Paul Berkner and has two children, Henry and Marcy Casey.



FRANCIS PURNELL

Fran has been the volunteer leader of the Waterville Little League, Cal Ripken Baseball and Challengers Program since 1970 - that's 45 years! During this time he renovated multiple fields, turning them into safe playing fields for kids. He took pride in developing the field on Matthews Avenue in Waterville and built new dugouts, a concession stand, a press box, fencing and added lights for night games.

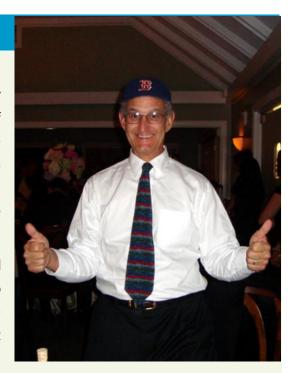
Fran's hard work and dedication served thousands of children who learned not only the fundamentals of baseball but, more importantly, good sportsmanship. This coming year, the field on Matthews Avenue will be completely renovated through a Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation sponsorship and additional donations and dedicated to the man who started it all; the Purnell Wrigley Field. Fran and his wife Joy have three children, Christopher, Kevin and Debra.

For outstanding and continuous support of children and the community.

JOHN G. TRINWARD

John spent many years as a volunteer at the Boys & Girls Club and YMCA of Greater Waterville coaching a multitude of our sports. He was an amazing father and guided hundreds of children in the community to learn the fundamentals of the sports and more importantly, good sportsmanship. Although his calm, organized manner gained John the respect from all who knew him his most infectious quality was his positive outlook and zest for life.

Loved by many, everything John touched became "A Beautiful Thing!" In his honor John's children created a memorial fund to support the Boys & Girls Clubs basketball program and provide scholarships to children in need. Each summer they conduct the John G. Trinward Golf Tournament to raise these funds.



MIKE LEVENSELLER

Mike has been a dedicated Board member since 2001. He served on numerous committees including Finance, Program and Resource Development. Mike personally takes part in most of our fundraising events, often offering his company, Dead River, as the lead sponsor. Mike was the Chief Volunteer Officer at the Alfond Youth Center from 2009 to 2011, one of our most difficult eras due to the world-wide economic crash. He established policies to help redirect the organization and create future stability and growth. Mike, aka Sensei, also volunteers as one of our well respected Martial Arts teachers. He and wife Debbie have three sons, Joshua, Michael and Nick, and three grandchildren, Brody, Ivy and Piper.











ROMEO PAGANUCCI AWARD

JOHN BEAUPRE

John was born and raised in Waterville and is a seasoned member of the AYC. Along with his 3 siblings he spent countless hours at the original Boys Club. His mother, Mary Nash Beaupre, consistently contributed financially to the Club as she truly believed in the quality and mission of the programs and facility. Sadly, Mary passed away in June of 2014 and John searched for a way to honor his mother, her passion for gardening, and her service to the AYC.

Having successfully owned and operated four stores in Carrabassett Valley and Kingfield, Maine since June of 1989, John used his connections with Sugarloaf to coordinate a 2-day fundraiser with award winning chefs, great golf, auctions and entertainment; the Maine Celebrity Classic. All of the proceeds, including his family's very generous donation, will go to the Mary Nash Beaupre Sustainable Garden Fund to benefit the gardening programs at the AYC.



ERIC GOTTESMAN

A photographic artist, activist and organizer, **Eric** is currently a Faculty Fellow at Colby College. Central to his practice is collaboration; using photography, writing and film as vehicles to engage others in conversation and critical thought about the social structures that surround them, and him. As part of Eric's work in the Middle East and Africa he founded the art collective *Sudden Flowers* with a group of

children in Ethiopia whose parents died of AIDS; the children's photographs, videos, installations, and performances are shown in their own community.



Jacob—View of Colby from the AYC

Eric has done amazing work as the mentor for our Kids with Cameras Club in the After School Program , which culminated in the children's exhibit opening and reception in the Colby College Diamond Atrium. Named one of the top 25 young American photographers with work in various collections including the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Eric is a true inspiration to each child with whom he works.

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MARTHA PAGANUCCI AWARD

ARETI "RITA" MENOUDARAKOS

Born to Greek immigrants **Rita's** three passions in life are her family & their Greek heritage, cooking, and volunteering. Owner of Waterville's The End Zone and Managing President of Unity House of Pizza, Rita thoroughly enjoys feeding people, "satisfying a basic human need and bringing people together for tasty meals and loving friendship."

Rita and her husband have a daughter, Stavroula and son, Zaharias, both named after their Greek grandparents "of course," but her work with children goes way beyond her offspring. Whether it is providing food for fundraisers or putting in the volunteer hours to mentor, guide and instill a strong work ethic and family values to local youth—Rita always goes the extra mile.



JULI FORTUNE JONES

Juli has lived in Waterville for ten years with her husband Scott, and their three children, Spencer, Olivia, and Carter. Her family has been very active in the AYC and Dolphins swim programs for the past eight years and Juli has served impeccably as president of the Dolphins booster club for 5 of those years. Juli is a valued member of the Waterville community and takes on every challenge and opportunity to volunteer for fundraisers, programs, and activities that benefit our youth. Juli is a beloved and valued third-grade teacher at Mount Merici Academy.









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SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

SREG POWEL



CEO and president of Dexter Enterprises, Inc., Mr. Powell was appointed chairman of the Harold Alfond ® Foundation's Board of Trustees by Harold Alfond in 2005. Having known Mr. Alfond since childhood, Mr. Powell helped to found Dexter Enterprises, Inc. in 1996. Currently a director of multiple family-held businesses, an officer and trustee of other Alfond family foundations, and a former director of Spinnaker Trust, Mr. Powell has served on multiple boards of community organizations and educational institutions, including the University of New England. Mr. Powell is a graduate of Wesleyan University and the University of Maine School of Law and holds an honorary degree from the University of New England.

Mr. Powell will be presenting the Triple Crown Award



Basil Hanscom Fellowship

Basil Hanscom was the first Executive Secretary of the Waterville YMCA. In honor of her late husband, Mrs. Evelyn Hanscom Towne established the Basil Hanscom Intern Leadership Fund. Each year a portion of the scholarship fund is given as a stipend to a future YMCA professional from Springfield College interested in completing intern work here at the Alfond Youth Center.

2015 Basil Hanscom Fellow

Meredith Dean

graduate from Springfield College in May with a Masters of Recreation Management. During her time at the Alfond Youth Center she has contributed a great deal to the Programs Department by revamping and building multiple camp websites and brochures, representing our mission at camp fairs, and always acting as a competent, willing and positive member of the AYC Family.





Barbara Atkins Scholarship

The George J. Mitchell Youth Leadership Ambassadors Fund was established by Barbara Atkins, sister of Senator George Mitchell, when she contributed the initial \$5,000. This Fund supports 5 youth leaders who strive for academic excellence and

demonstrate leadership skills. This fund will provide scholarships for 5 youth Leadership Ambassadors to participate as Mentors to younger Club Members in our Afterschool Program, which costs the AYC approximately \$1,000 per child per school year. In addition, at the end of the school year these children will be awarded \$100 toward a 529 plan for college education.



Kids With Cameras Program

Through the generous donation from and collaboration with The Goldfarb Center for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement and the Center for the Arts & Humanities at Colby College, our "Kids With Cameras Program" really took flight this year!

Colby students and faculty worked with the AYC After School Program fifth graders to explore their worlds through photography. Inspired by



Colby's 2015 Humanities theme of "Migrations," these young people produced photographs addressing "journeys" through movement, foreignness, travel, and transportation.

The youth exhibited their work and hosted an artist's reception at Colby in April of this year; *My Feet Are A Journey,* hopefully the first of many more to come!

Bill & Vicki Mitchell Backpack Program

Thanks to a generous donation from Bill and Vicki Mitchell the AYC will now be able to develop a "Weekend Backpack Program" in which our After School Program kids will be able to take meals home for the weekend. We are proud to serve these kids a free hot meal each day, however on the weekends many of these children are likely to go hungry. It is people like Bill and Vicki who not only believe that no one should go hungry, especially a child, but make that goal a reality!

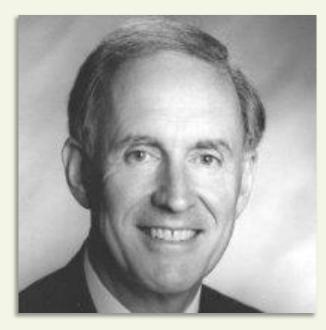








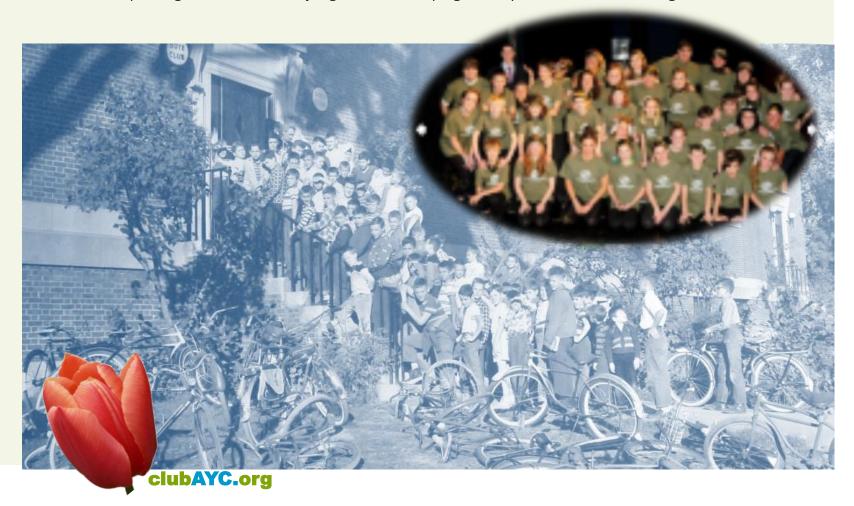
COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AWARD PETER HAYNES



Peter Haynes has served on the Boys & Girls Clubs of America Board of Directors for over 20 years. In early 2000 he served as National BGCA Board President leading the organization to outstanding growth during his tenure. During this time serving as Board President Peter never forgot where he came from; he served on the State of Maine BGC Alliance Board for the last ten years, most recently as the Board's President.

Thanks to Peter paving the way to develop the appropriate policies, the merger of the Boys & Girls Club and YMCA in Waterville was made possible. With Peter's partnership the Waterville Club's 1,200 youth members has grown to over 5,000.

Working with CEO, Ken Walsh, Peter's leadership helped develop two new chartered organizations in Maine, the Boys and Girls Club of Gardiner and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Wabanaki, as well as accomplishing one of Peter's major goals of developing the Boys and Girls Club in Bangor.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER JIM CLARK



Jim Clark joined Boys & Girls Clubs of America as president and CEO in January 2012. He leads a network of more than 4,000 Boys & Girls Clubs that serve some 4 million young people annually in all 50 states, in large cities and small towns, in public housing and on Native lands, and on U.S. military installations across the globe. More than 50,000 professional staff members operate the Clubs, supported by some 285,000 board and program volunteers.

Jim has guided the organization through the launch of an exciting new strategic direction, the **Great Futures Impact Plan**. Under his leadership, Clubs are increasing impact on the young people they serve by focusing on three priority outcome areas - **Academic Success, Good Character and Citizenship, and Healthy Lifestyles.**

To ensure BGCA provides the best possible service to Clubs, Jim has spearheaded a major restructuring of the national organization and introduced innovative programming to support the three outcome areas in ways that are fun and engaging; such as, state-of-the-art STEM initiatives and Brain Gain, a program to combat summer learning loss.

Under his leadership, BGCA is also emphasizing services to Clubs in key areas such as child protection and safety, executive and board development, increasing attendance at Clubs, boosting high school graduation rates, and fighting childhood obesity. Prior to joining BGCA, Jim spent eight years as president and CEO of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee, one of the nation's strongest Club organizations.

UPCOMING FOR THE AYC

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MAINE CELEBRITY CLASSIC—JULY 28TH & 29TH



Chef Celebrity Gala

Tuesday, July 28th, 2015

- Sugarloaf Base Lodge
- 6 Award Winning Chefs
- Cash Bar
- Maine Humorist
- Live Music

Golf Celebrity Classic

Wednesday, July 29, 2015

- Sugarloaf Golf Club, Golf Digest's #1 Course in Maine
- Golf With Guest Celebrities
 Ferguson Jenkins, Seth Wescott,
 Rick Middleton, Steve Nelson & more!



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Don't forget to choose your meal . . .

MEAL CHOICES

Grilled Salmon with Hollandaise
Chicken Bruschetta
Gluten Free Eggplant Milanese

We can't wait to see you here!





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Thank you for making possible everything we do here!

