

PSCA CAREER EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE 2002 AWARDS PRESENTATION

Anne S. Morris, Chairperson

It was with great pleasure and honor that the PSCA Career Education and Development Committee presented the fourth annual Career Education and Development Awards at the 46th PSCA Conference. This year, the committee recognized three outstanding career education programs – a middle school program, a high school program, and the 2001 National Winner of the Planning for Life Program -- Pennsylvania's own Stroudsburg Area School District.

Each of the honored programs demonstrated the implementation of outstanding career and educational opportunities for students. We believe that the creative effort and the spirit of professional collaboration generated by these programs will serve to motivate school counselors to integrate comprehensive career education strategies for students in their individual schools and ultimately throughout entire school districts. We congratulate the counselors, administrators, staff, and communities in each of these schools for extraordinary work on behalf of students.

The Pennsylvania School Counselors Association 2002 Middle School Career Education and Development Committee Award was presented to Landisville Middle School, Landisville, Pennsylvania. Receiving the award on behalf of Landisville Middle School were counselors Brenda Walker and Will Stout. Joining them was Landisville Principal, Reinking.

The recipient of the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association 2002 High School Career Education and Development Committee Award was Octorara Area High School, Atglen, Pennsylvania. Receiving the High School Career Education and Development Award on behalf of Octorara Area High

School were school counselors David Rutledge and Jennifer German. Not able to be present for the ceremony were counselor Sandra Hoff and OHS principal Henry A. Detering.

For the past three years, the Pennsylvania School Counselors Association has partnered with the American School Counselor Association in the implementation of the Planning for Life Program. In this endeavor we have received much support from throughout the Commonwealth and in particular from representatives of the United States Army Recruiting Battalion in Harrisburg, Major Mark Hunter and Roberta Strong. Additional thanks go to the PSCA Planning For Life Selection Committee including, Jay D. Cannon, State Administrator for Career Counseling; Douglas Schmidt, Pennsylvania Career Link; Dr. Richard Dumaresq, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Association of Private School Administrators; and members of the PSCA Executive Committee: Brenda Bergman, Donna Lisowski, Rosemarie Smith, and Peggy Woods.

Culminating the career development committee's presentation was the public recognition of the winner of the 2001 National Planning for Life Award - Stroudsburg Area School District. Although Stroudsburg was officially honored at the ASCA Conference in Portland, Oregon in June 2001, we thought it particularly important to formally acknowledge this outstanding K-12 career development program at the 46th annual PSCA conference. Receiving the Career Education and Development Committee's Planning for Life recognition on behalf of the Stroudsburg Area School District were counselors Mike Elia and Bill Tolan. Regrettably not present for the celebration was the driving force behind the Stroudsburg Area School District's Career Development initiative Charlotte Kresgee.

**2001 – 2002
PSCA Career Education and Development Awards: In Summary
Congratulations!**

HIGH SCHOOL AWARD

Octorara Area High School, Atglen
Sandra M. Hoff, School Counselor
David B. Rutledge, School Counselor
Jennifer L. German, School Counselor

MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARD

Landisville Middle School, Landisville
Brenda Walker, School Counselor
Will Stout, School Counselor

2002 PSCA / ASCA PLANNING FOR LIFE AWARD PROGRAM

Pocono Mountain School District, Swiftwater
Renee Garvey, Career Teacher / Guidance Counselor
Brian Cusatis, Career Teacher / Guidance Counselor

PSCA PLANNING FOR LIFE HONORABLE MENTION

Garnet Valley Middle School, Glen Mills
Chuck Bonner, Principal

PSCA Nominee for The Kenneth B. Hoyt Award

Columbia High School, Columbia
Peggy Woods, School Counselor