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TLC Board Honors Exceptional Service, Elects Officers at Annual Board Meeting and Celebration

Rockville, MD—[TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers'](#) Board of Trustees recognized the exceptional efforts of Board members, staff, and volunteers and elected new officers at the Annual Meeting and Celebration held at a [Normandie Farm](#) in Potomac on May 19. TLC is a private, non-profit organization providing educational, therapeutic and vocational services to children and adults with special needs and typically developing children. TLC Board of Trustees officers for 2010–2011 were elected: **Bruce Hunter**, President; **Froma Roth**, Vice President; **Ray Baldwin**, General Counsel; **Jim LaGrone**, Treasurer; and **Joe Parlanti**, Secretary.

Benefactor of the Year went to **Peter Greif**. "Peter has always been an outstanding supporter of TLC in terms of his time, talent and generosity, but this year he truly went above and beyond when TLC needed it most," stated **Richard Ward**, TLC's outgoing Board President.

Volunteer of the Year was awarded to **Mary Rill** for her long history of service to TLC. "Mary Rill is an extraordinary asset to TLC in every possible way. She is truly an ideal board member who helps wherever she can – whether that's chairing committees, supporting our fundraising events, soliciting new donors or raising our visibility in the community," said **Pat Ritter**, Executive Director.

Employer of the Year was presented to **Petco's Tyson's Corner location** staff **Christine Duncan**, Manager, and **Monique Eichorn**, Assistant Manager, by **Jessica Hallam** and **Ace Barberi** of TLC's Outcomes Service. Outcomes provides employment support services to adults with disabilities. "Petco employees have provided tremendous assistance to program, accommodating our consumer's needs and treating them with respect and kindness. This support and acceptance has been essential to their success in the workplace," said Hallam.

Ron Goodstein, Associate Professor of Marketing at [Georgetown University](#), was presented the **Barry Scher Award for Public Relations**. "Ron has been instrumental in supporting our public relations and marketing efforts," said Ritter. His workshops have transcended all of our marketing and communications; he is dynamic, thoughtful, and challenges us to improve so we can better pursue the vision for TLC.

The Rosemary R. Colston Award was awarded to **Ray Baldwin**, past Board President, for his time and commitment to TLC by providing significant pro bono legal services in his area of expertise – employment law. The **Past President Award** went to **Richard Ward** for his leadership of the transition team that selected a new TLC Executive Director. TLC recognized the efforts of **Jim LaGrone** for his active and effective leadership and **Bill MacDonald** for his contributions as the recipients of the **Outstanding Service Award**.

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The Richard J. Pavlin Leadership Award, given annually to a staff member who demonstrates leadership characteristics resulting in a significant impact to TLC's mission and vision, was awarded to **Julie Bobrow**, Administrative Director, and **Joyce Mange**, Reading Specialist at The Katherine Thomas High School (KTS).

The Teamwork Award acknowledged the outstanding efforts of the KTS Parents Association, represented by co-chairs **Pam Peckinpaugh** and **Karen Beveridge**, who greatly enhance the KTS education and school experience. The parents raised more than \$35,000 at this year's auction and provided teacher grants to give staff innovative opportunities to engage their students. They are active volunteers in the school – helping in classrooms, doing clerical work and anything else the staff needs.

Outgoing Board Member Bill Magruder was also honored for his service, professional expertise and generosity which have been enormously helpful to TLC throughout his tenure.

About TLC

[TLC—The Treatment and Learning Centers](http://www.ttlc.org), located in Rockville, Md., improves lives and expands possibilities for individuals with special needs. Celebrating 60 years of service to the community in 2010, TLC is committed to integrity and excellence in our care and strives to assist all, regardless of their ability to pay. For more information visit www.ttlc.org.

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