

FRIENDS OF SPECIAL CHILDREN
present the 16th Annual ABC EVENT
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Event Co-chairs: Mike & Judy St. Charles
Benefiting

SIGNAL  CENTERS SCHOOL

Thurs. Sept. 30th, 2021
5:30pm - 7:30pm



Live and Online Silent Auction
(Event Location Details Coming Soon!)

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FACT SHEET HISTORY OF FRIENDS OF SPECIAL CHILDREN ABC EVENT

Since 2002, Friends of Special Children's members have worked tirelessly for the special children at Signal Centers. The children have a rich environment for play and learning. Over the past 15 years our annual ABC Event has brought together a caring and giving community to help in this endeavor. Together with our donors, we have been able to complete the following projects for the children at Signal Centers.

- **2006 was the 1st Annual ABC Event.** Funds were raised for computer interactive learning tools: Intellitool Suite software, devices, hardware and Internet server upgrades.
- **2007 was the 2nd Annual ABC Event.** "Build a Better Classroom." Provided a state-of-the-art classroom conducive for assistive therapies: speech, language, hearing, vision. and more.
- **2008 was the 3rd Annual ABC Event.** "Early Intervention = Early Education." Chaired by Bill and Nancy Underwood, we raised funds for the establishment of an endowment fund to bring the youngest children to Signal Centers. Additional funding was used to support school readiness intervention programming.
- **2009 was the 4th Annual ABC Event.** Chaired by Chet and Janet Logan, we raised funds for the construction of an all-inclusive playground at Signal Centers. With the Chattem pavilion, riding tracks, swings, slides and landscaping.
- **2010 was the 5th Annual ABC Event.** "All aBout the Babies." Chaired by Alfredia Rhodes and Dawn Shea, with Honorary Chair, Maxine Alper, funds were raised to build a new "babies walk," providing easy access to the playground from the building and remodeled the babies nurseries.
- **2011 was the 6th Annual ABC Event.** "All aBout Our Children." Chaired by Friends of Special Children, funds were raised to ensure babies, toddlers and preschoolers have equal access to the highest quality early childhood education experience possible.
- **2012 was the 7th Annual ABC Event.** "Keep the Children Warm." Chaired by Jim and Marion Steffner, funds were raised to replace all the school windows with new energy-efficient, windows, allowing Signal Centers to be part of a green community and make more efficient use of natural resources
- **2013 was the 8th Annual ABC Event.** "Rain or Shine, It's Playtime." Chaired by Will and Katherine Sutton, phase one fundraising began to build an indoor recreational center adjacent to the Friends Playground.
- **2014 was the 9th Annual ABC Event.** "Rain or Shine, It's Playtime." We completed phase two funding for the Maxine Block Alper, Friends of Special Children Recreation Center, This new facility allows for a large indoor play area and place for special events.
- **2015 was the 10th Annual ABC Event.** "Moving on Up...and Down." Chaired by Janet and Mark Neighbors, funds were raised for the installation of an elevator for our special needs children to access the Recreational Center from the main school building.
- **2016 was the 11th Annual ABC Event.** "Back to the Future." Chaired by Barbie Standefer and Jack Rigger, funds were raised for upgrades to Intellitools and all interactive learning software and hardware, as well, as an Internet secure server. Excess funds were used to purchase a music system for the baby playground.
- **2017 was the 12th Annual ABC Event.** "Keep the Children Safer." Chaired by Cynthia Hall and Rosemarie Hill, funds were raised for safety and security for the campus and classrooms to include new fencing, video cameras and the installation of 2 in classroom bathrooms.
- **2018 was the 13th Annual ABC Event.** "Point and Paint the Schoolhouse." Chaired by Marc Barclay and Bill Lloyd, funds were raised to repair the façade of Signal Centers facility. We repointed the brick, repaired window sills and frames, replaced stone cladding and painted the entire exterior. FOSC Sponsored one complete façade in order to get the project kicked off.
- **2019 was the 14th Annual ABC Event.** "Children's Gateway." Chaired by Russ and Tracie Blakey, we raised funds to create a new safer traffic environment, and added parking and new welcoming secure gated front entrance. Additional \$15,000 was used to refresh and update the hallways of the children's program. Painted brick halls and replaced flooring.
- **2020 was the 15th Annual ABC (Virtual) Event** - 2020, "Helping Our Children Thrive." Chaired by Jim and Susan Reynolds, we raised funds for Children's Programming during the Covid-19 pandemic crisis. Additional \$40,000 was used to increase the value of the Friends Endowed Scholarship Fund.

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HOST TABLE - \$400 DONATION (\$50/ticket)

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2021 Printed Program Ad. (If we have a Virtual event, we will display your ad on a virtual banner.)

Check One:

\$400 Whole Page

\$250 Half Page

\$100 One-third Page

\$50.00 Business Card

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