MARIAN BAKER AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE
IN CHILD CARE

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL NOMINATIONS TO:

MARIAN BAKER AWARD COMMITTEE
4-C: COMMUNITY COORDINATED CHILD CARE
155 NORTH THIRD STREET, SUITE 300
DEKALB, IL 60115
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4-C: Community Coordinated Child Care was established in 1971 to promote children’s well being by advocating for quality, affordable, accessible child care. We support parents and those providing child care by offering information, education, resources and services.

In 1999, 4-C established the Marian Baker Award for Excellence in Child Care in memory of our long time friend and board member, Marian Baker. The award is designed to recognize an individual who possesses the dedication and passion, which Marian exemplified in her role as teacher, board member and child advocate. The recipient will receive a plaque as well as a $250 stipend. The award may be received only once.

The nominee must work in an early childhood education program (Center or Family Child Care) within the counties of DeKalb, Ogle, Lee, Carroll, Whiteside and McHenry.

We invite you to submit a nomination for the Marian Baker Award for Excellence in Child Care by completing the attached nomination form and returning it to the 4-C office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 25, 2016.
PROFILE OF MARIAN BAKER

Marian Baker was a member of the 4-C Board of Directors from 1987 until the time of her death in 1999. She was passionate about her advocacy work on behalf of children and families and knew no boundaries when it came to obtaining what children need to grow up healthy and loved.

Marian was a teacher in the Sycamore School District for over 20 years; taught Sunday School; and served on the Boards of several not-for-profit agencies besides 4-C. She was instrumental in the development of the FHA Home Economics Related Occupations (HERO) Program for high school students which placed students with employers to give them first hand experience in home economics related occupations. The HERO Program has evolved into a National FHA Program.

Marian was a leader in her professional groups – locally as well as at the state and national level. She was also a dedicated member of her church and community.

Words used to describe Marian include: creative, gentle, professional, kind, non-judgmental, patient, hardworking, diplomatic, well organized, passionate, and child advocate. She admired early childhood educators for the hard work they do and was an avid supporter of Worthy Wages for these professionals.

In a word, Marian was an inspiration to all of us at 4-C (Board and Staff alike).
Who qualifies for the Marian Baker Award for Excellence in Child Care?

Anyone who works in a child care center, family child care home, Pre-K Program, or Head Start Program, as a teacher of young children.

How do I nominate someone for the award?

- To obtain a nomination packet:
  Phone: 815-758-8149 or 800-848-8727 ext. 221
  Email: sylviai@four-c.org
  Website: www.four-c.org

- To submit your nomination:
  Mail: see address below
  Fax: 815-758-5652
  Email: sylviai@four-c.org

- Please type or write legibly.
- Provide additional supporting materials, if appropriate.
- All nominations must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 25, 2016.

Who can nominate candidates for consideration?

Anyone who knows the nominee (i.e. parent, co-worker, supervisor…)

Who will decide whom the award is given to?

The selection committee will make the decision.

When and where will the award be presented?

The award will be presented at the 4-C Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2016. Award recipient and nominator will be contacted prior to the event and invited to be guests of 4-C.

Submit completed nomination forms to:

Marian Baker Award Committee
4-C: Community Coordinated Child Care
155 North Third Street, Suite 300
DeKalb, IL 60115
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Date: ________________________

Nominee Information:
Nominee’s Name: _______________________________________________________
Address: ______________________________________________________________
City: ________________________ State: IL Zip: __________
Business Phone: _________________________________________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________________________________________

Nominator Information:
Nominator’s Name: _______________________________________________________
Address: ______________________________________________________________
City: ________________________ State: IL Zip: __________
Business Phone: _________________________________________________________
Home Phone: ____________________________________________________________
Signature: _______________________________________________________________
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NOMINATION FORM

Please tell us about the nominee. Include how she/he exemplifies Marian Baker’s ideals as well as which qualities of Marian’s best describe the nominee (please include specific examples). Please limit your nomination narrative to no more than two (2) pages.