

Respite at its Best Awards

An Academy Award Style Acknowledgement Dinner
at the 2009 National Respite and
Crisis Nurseries Conference

Thursday,
September 24, 2009
6-9pm

South Pacific Ballroom
The Holiday Inn
Burbank-Media Center



Respite at Its Best Award Categories

1. Best Respite and Crisis Nursery Documentary

GINA ERVAY

ROCKO CVS Documentary
Respite Agency, Kansas

NATALIE A. LEEK-NELSON

“Promises Kept--Providence House”
Crisis Nursery, Ohio

2. Activist in a Leading Caregiver Role

Presenter: David Besst,

Award Winner: **BONNIE DANOWSKI**

Founder, Arizona Lifespan Respite Care Network

Presenter: Kelly Evans

Award Winner: **GINA ERVAY**

Parent, Founder of ROCKO, Kansas Lifespan Respite Coalition

Presenter: Sue Wiggins

Award Winner: **WILLIAM AND RACHEL FORD**

Primary Caregivers of Sons Garrett and Phinnea,
Family Advocate, California

3. Respite Design Award

Presenter: David and Faye Wetherow

Award Winner: **MARYJO ALIMENA CARUSO**

CareBreak at the Watson Institute, Pennsylvania

Presenter: MaryJo Alimena Caruso

Award Winner: **ERIC M. JOICE**

Family Resource Network, New Jersey

Presenter: Jennifer Tschannen and Patricia Schindler

Award Winner: **ROBERTA “BERTIE” LEHMAN**

Agape Respite Care, Indiana

Presenter: Wendy Zwicker

Award Winner: **NATALIE A. LEEK-NELSON**

Providence House, Crisis Nursery Program, Ohio

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