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Family Service Association to Celebrate Family & Community

The annual event honors community partners and is sponsored this year by Hill Wallack, LLP

Langhorne, PA (November 4, 2009) Family Service Association Board of Directors will present three special recognition awards at its Celebration of Family & Community Luncheon on Thursday, November 19, 2009. The event, which is being sponsored by Hill Wallack, LLP, will be held from 12-2pm at Spring Mill Manor in Ivyland.

First Federal of Bucks County will be honored as the Corporate Citizen of the Year. First Federal of Bucks County has been a longtime supporter of Family Service through generous event sponsorships and gifts. In the past, the Bank has financially supported Bristol Family Fest, a family-focused activity night for hundreds of children and their families, as well as our Drive for Youth Golf Outing and Cruise the Village evenings. First Federal believes in giving back to our community and encourages their employees to volunteer at community events on company time; several Bank employees have donated their time to making many of our local events and committees successful. First Federal is also an important collaborator in direct service to our Drive to Success clients, helping families with low cost loans and helping them become self-sufficient.

United Way of Bucks County will be honored as the Family Builder of the Year. The United Way of Bucks County has been a strong partner of Family Service since it opened its doors in 1953. Through the years the United Way has always monitored what our community needed and encouraged their member agencies to provide the necessary services. By running successful employee giving campaigns throughout the County's businesses, the United Way ensures that there are funds available to support the most relevant human service initiatives. Through their diligence, United Way makes certain that donor-dollars are being invested in programs that are effectively achieving good outcomes.

Dawn Bauhof, a client in the Family Service Outpatient Behavioral Health Program, is the 2009 recipient of the Family of the Year award. Dawn exemplifies leadership within the recovery community. Dawn has acknowledged her substance abuse problem and stopped drinking and using drugs. Through our Tobacco Cessation program, she has quit smoking and is working with Family Service nurses to manage her diet in our Wellness program. Dawn volunteers her time in the community to helping others in their own recovery by facilitating support groups. Dawn is also a Recovery Coach and sponsor.

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“The Board of Directors takes time at this event each year to recognize the impact Family Service is having on the community, but also the partnerships we have that help us make an impact,” states Audrey J. Tucker, Chief Executive Officer of Family Service. “Our partnerships are important to our achieving our mission of strengthening individuals, families, and communities.”

Hill Wallack, LLP, the event sponsor, understands the importance of partnerships as well.

“Family Service is an agency who has been improving the lives of our neighbors, our friends, and members of our own families for over 56 years. With so many social service agencies struggling to meet the growing demands of the community, it is essential for the business community to find ways to support agencies such as Family Service in their work,” states Francis J. Sullivan, Esq., a partner at the firm. “At Hill Wallack, our attorneys are dedicated to innovation and excellence and we are proud to support a community agency dedicated to the same philosophy.”

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