

Are we there yet?



Pennsylvania Children's Roundtable Summit

April 29—May 1, 2013

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

A Message from Supreme Court Justice Max Baer and
Department of Public Welfare Acting Secretary Beverly Mackereth

As you all know, since 2006, our courts and child welfare agencies have worked tirelessly to improve the lives of abused/neglected children and their families. In that time, we have safely reduced the number of children placed outside of their homes by more than 7,200 (34%).

Our overarching goals have not changed. We aim to reduce safely the number of children entering foster care. We strive to minimize the level of trauma experienced by those children who, through no fault of their own, must be temporarily placed into foster care. We seek to expedite all children's exodus from temporary care and placement in permanent, quality, and loving homes. We stand united and resolved in these goals.

As with all we do, this year's summit focuses on these three goals. However, it does so by posing an important question: "Are we there yet?" During the 2011 Children's Summit, we examined and resolved to strengthen our efforts to integrate a number of effective practices into our day-to-day operations. We have made tremendous progress, but in answer to our rhetorical query, we quite simply are not there yet.

This year's Summit will challenge the very core of what we believe and what we value, which determines what we do. During the next three days, county teams will hear from national experts, foster youth, parents, and professionals involved in the dependency system, as well as have time for county specific planning and cross-county networking. Highlighted topics include safety, trauma, well-being, and effective strategies for children with incarcerated parents; all from the perspective of permanent transformative change. County teams will have the opportunity to examine these issues, examine their beliefs/values, and strategize lasting, meaningful system enhancements that achieve our statewide goals.

We thank everyone who has contributed to the planning of what we know will be a memorable learning experience. We especially thank our 2013 Summit Planning Team Co-Chairs Chris Feliciani, Judge of Westmoreland County, and Rose Weir, Administrator of Snyder County Children and Youth Services, and their invested and gifted planning team. We would also like to thank the always present and always superb OCFC and AOPC staffs.

It is our hope and expectation that your valuable time will be well-spent during the next three days. We trust you will leave brimming with new knowledge, insight, and ideas which will permit you to impact transformatively and permanently the lives of children and families. Thank you and enjoy the Summit.



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Child Safety Decision-making: An introduction to key concepts and tools.

Child Safety: "A Guide for Judges and Attorneys" is a book that assists the legal community in better understanding certain social work constructs in child abuse and neglect cases. It lays out the underlying principles of safety decision-making in child welfare cases, and shows how adherence to these principles is the paramount issue before the court in making reasonable efforts findings. This overview session will demystify the process of assessing child safety decision-making, such as removal and reunification, by providing a rigorous analytical framework that promotes accountability.

The issues of safety, permanency, and well-being are not in silos: they are interdependent. In developing more rigorous thinking about how to achieve permanency, this presentation separates out the safety piece in order to highlight how disciplined the decision making must be. This focused process often leads to earlier, safer permanency outcomes for children while also enhancing child and family well-being.



The overview session will cover concepts, vocabulary, and analytic framework for safety decision making, and address issues such as:

Is it safe for this child to remain in the home or, if in care, to be returned?
Have the parents developed sufficient capacity to care for the child without further support?
Is the case plan designed to remove or ameliorate safety threats and enhance parental capacity to manage threats?

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Why Survivors of Trauma Feel and Act the Way They Do: Understanding the Neurobiology of Trauma and Understanding the Impact of Vicarious Trauma on the People who Work with Trauma Survivors.

This presentation will be a combination of lecture and audience participation on the topic of trauma and its psychobiological effects. The presentation will begin with an exploration of the nature of traumatic events, and the difference between normal, situational, and traumatic stress. Next, physiological components of trauma will be introduced, such as brain structures and biochemistry, and the essence of phenomenon such as dissociation, hyper vigilance, and flashbacks will be explored. Finally, implications for vicarious trauma will be discussed and current holistic interventions in mitigating the vicarious post-traumatic stress response for helping professionals will be presented.

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This panel, comprised of Pennsylvania judges and child welfare administrators, will examine the issue of "child well-being" utilizing the National Child Well-Being Court performance measurements. These well-being measurements, outline potential education, physical, and mental health well-being measurements for children under court jurisdiction. Panelists will identify local and statewide strategies that focus on/and measure child well-being as a primary goal of court and agency work.



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This presentation will address the unique challenges of working with dependent children of incarcerated parents and their families. It will provide an overview of prevailing thoughts and practices of judges, child welfare administrators, wardens and state correctional institution superintendents in Pennsylvania on working with these children and families, and will also address the myths and misperceptions about this population.

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Start your day off right with a Morning Walk

We all know that a morning walk is great exercise. The human body is the ultimate exercise machine, and walking is an easy and safe way for most people to exercise.

Walking is quite easy – with no cost and it begins with just a step outside your door. Walking is great for your body, mind, and spirit; giving you instant energy while relaxing your mind and giving you the energy to get through the day. A natural mood elevator, it promotes feelings of happiness and can even ease mild depression.

Benefits of a Morning Walk:

- Lose weight by burning calories
- Improve blood circulation, lower cholesterol, strengthen the heart muscle, and dilate blood vessels in order to reduce the risk of heart attack and stroke
- Balance blood sugar levels and reduce the risk of Type 2 diabetes
- Improve breathing capacity of the lungs
- Help manage stress and reduce hypertension
- Increase fresh oxygen to the brain and feel more positive about life
- Increase blood flow and oxygen to body cells to strengthen your immune system and give your body the power to fight against infections
- Gain mental clarity and vitality
- Improve concentration and creativity

Start your day off right with a group walk (and camaraderie) led by the Honorable Maria Musti Cook, York County Judge. Leave the lodge at 7:00 AM and return by 7:30 AM – just in time for breakfast.



YOGA

Balance your mind, body and soul with Yoga

Yoga is a commonly known term for physical, mental, and spiritual disciplines which originated in ancient India. Specifically, yoga is one of the six *āstika* ("orthodox") schools of Hindu philosophy. Hindu monks brought yoga to the West in the late 19th century. By the 1980s, it was popular as a physical system of health exercises across the Western world.

The word yoga means "union" in the language of ancient India. We can think of the union occurring between the mind, body, and spirit. Many people think that yoga is just stretching. But while stretching is certainly involved, yoga is really about creating balance in the body through the performance of poses or postures. Benefits include increased flexibility and strength, improved health, posture, concentration, memory and breathing, as well as, reduced stress.

Please join the Honorable Carol Hanna, Indiana County Judge, who will lead a yoga practice from 7:00-7:30 AM. Judge Hanna has been practicing yoga for 15 years.



TAI CHI

A gentle way to fight stress

Tai chi helps reduce stress and anxiety. It also helps increase flexibility and balance.

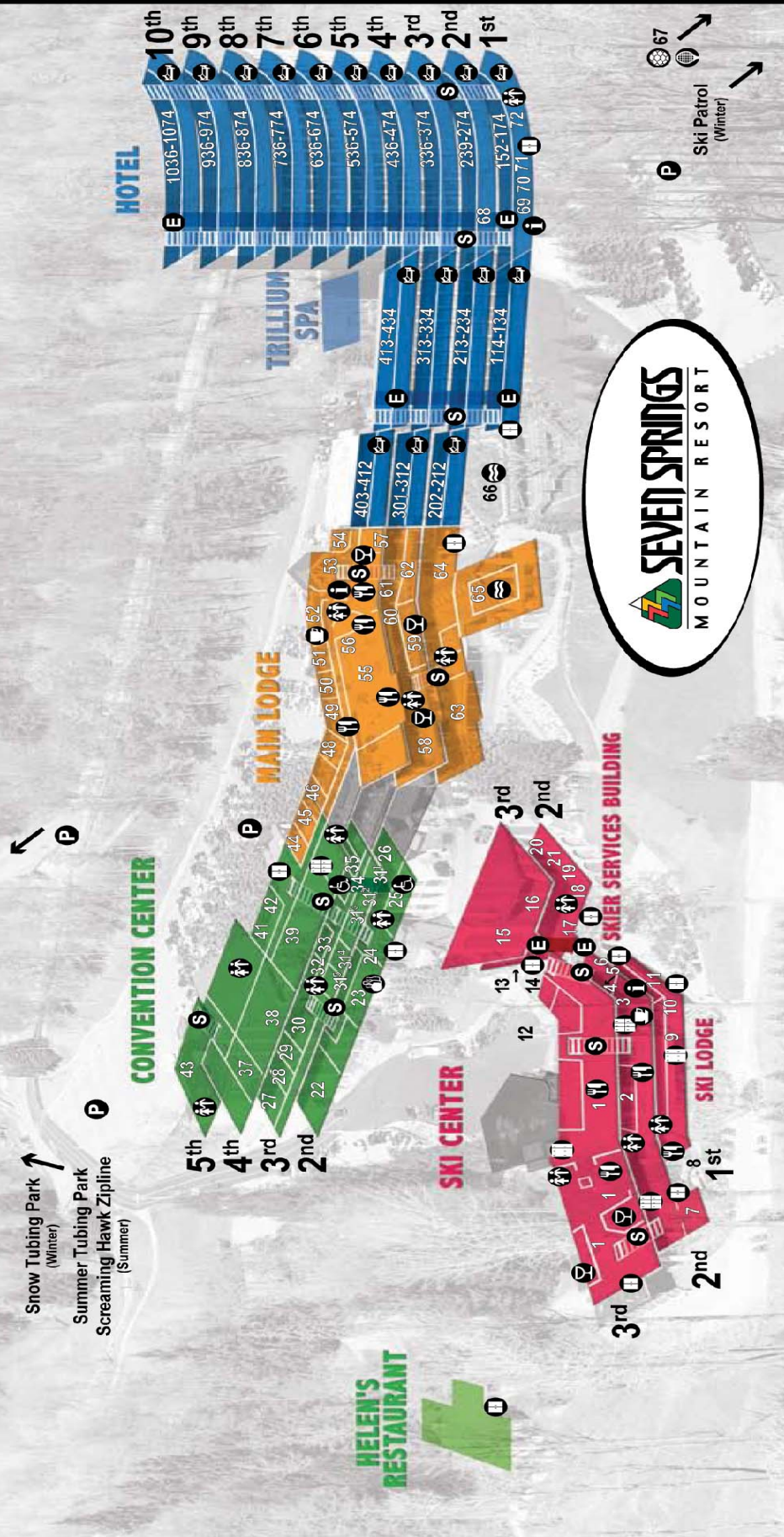
If you're looking for a way to reduce stress, consider tai chi (TIE-CHEE). Tai chi is an ancient Chinese tradition, originally developed for self-defense. Tai chi has evolved into a graceful form of exercise that's now used for stress reduction and a variety of other health conditions. Often described as meditation in motion, tai chi promotes serenity through gentle, flowing movements performed in a slow, focused manner and accompanied by deep breathing.

Who can do Tai Chi?

Tai chi is low impact and puts minimal stress on muscles and joints, making it generally safe for all ages and fitness levels. It may be especially suitable for those who otherwise may not exercise.

John Perrot, Esq. will lead an introduction to this ancient art from 7:00-7:30 AM.





Snow Tubing Park (Winter)
 Summer Tubing Park
 Screaming Hawk Zipline (Summer)

HELEN'S RESTAURANT
CONVENTION CENTER
SKI CENTER
MAIN LODGE
TRILLIUM SPA
HOTEL



- Entrance** **Restrooms** **Stairs** **Elevators** **Handicap Elevator** **Service/Information** **Room** **Mountain Park** **Restaurant** **Bar** **Pool** **Tennis Courts** **Bowling** **Volleyball** **Lockers** **Parking**
- SKI CENTER**
- Ski Lodge**
- 1. Foggy Goggle
- 2. First Tracks
- 3. Mountain Park
- 4. Mountain Memories Photography
- 5. Snow Base Shoppe & Gingerbread Dreams (Winter)
- 6. Maple Room
- 7. Ski Check
- 8. Erno's Pit
- 9. Coin Lockers
- 10. Ski Check
- 11. Rental Shop
- Ski Service Building**
- 12. Shuttle Pick-Up for Parking Lot
- 13. Season Pass and Day Group Ticket Office
- 14. Ski/Board Ticket Office
- 15. Timberstone Room (Spring and Summer)
- 16. Will's Ski Shop (fall and Winter)
- 17. Snowsports School Office (Summer)
- 18. Seven Springs Adventures (Summer)
- 19. Kids' Corner (Winter)
- 20. Tiny Toes Ski School (Winter)
- 21. Kids Adventure Day Camp (Summer)
- CONVENTION CENTER**
- 22. Racquetball Court
- 23. Bowling Center
- 24. Club Trap Game Room
- 25. Fox Den
- 26. Laurel Room
- 27. Dogwood Room
- 28. Evergreen Room
- 29. Chestnut Room
- 30. Hemlock Room
- 31. Seasons Rooms
- 32. Sunburst Forum
- 33. Snowflake Forum
- 34. Wintargreen Forum
- 35. Directors Room Ore
- 37. Exhibit Hall/Annex
- 38. Exhibit Hall
- 39. Convention Hall
- 41. Stag Pass
- MAIN LODGE**
- 44. Seven Springs Outfitters
- 45. Gingerbread Dreams
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- HOTEL**
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- 64. Bear Trap Fun Zone
- 65. Indoor Pool/Hot Tubs
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- 67. Tennis and Volleyball Courts

HONORABLE MAX BAER

Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania



Justice Max Baer was elected to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in November of 2003, and assumed his duties on January 5, 2004. Prior to his elevation to the Supreme Court, Justice Baer served on the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County from January of 1990 to December of 2003. He spent the first 9½ of those years in Family Division, and was the Administrative Judge of the Division for 5½ years. During this tenure, Justice Baer implemented far-reaching reforms to both Juvenile Court and Domestic Relations, earning him statewide and national recognition. Justice Baer eventually was assigned to the Civil Division, where he continued to distinguish himself until assuming his new duties on the Supreme Court.

In acknowledgement of his innovations in family court, in 1997, Justice Baer was named Pennsylvania's Adoption Advocate of the Year. In 1998, the Federal Department of Health and Human Services presented him with the Adoption 2002 Excellence Award for Judicial Innovation. He was honored for receipt of this award at a White House ceremony presided over by President and Mrs. Clinton. In 1998, the Domestic Relations Association of Pennsylvania honored Justice Baer for his years of dedicated service to Pennsylvania families, and in 2000, the Pennsylvania Bar Association named him Child Advocate of the Year. In 2003, the Justice accepted the Champion of Children's Award from the Homeless Children's Education Fund, and in 2004, was recognized as "most valuable peacemaker" by Pennsylvania's Council of Mediators. In 2005, he was awarded the Three Rivers Youth Nellie Award for Civic Leadership.

Justice Baer is the former Chairperson of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Domestic Relations Procedural Rules Committee, and an ex officio representative to the Juvenile Court Judges Commission. He has served on the Joint State Government Commissions on Adoption Law and Services to Children and Youth, and is the former chair of the Pennsylvania Conference of Trial Judges Family Law Section and a former member of the Conference's Education Committee. The Justice has served as a guest professor at Carnegie Mellon University over the years, and has been a frequent lecturer to professional and lay groups throughout Pennsylvania on various issues. He has also served on numerous Boards, including Family Services of Western Pennsylvania, Catholic Charities and the Consumer Credit Counseling Corporation.

Justice Baer was recognized for his leadership in helping dependent children find permanent, loving families in the Casey Family Program Report "How are the Children? Inspiring Hope. Renewing Vision. Influencing Action." (May 2010)

Judge Baer wrote two chapters for *The Judge's Book*, a publication of the National Conference of State Trial Judges; authored "*Custody Wars – The Creation of a New Weapon of Mass Destruction*," 21 PA Family Lawyer, Issue No. 4, 1999, and *Family Law and Civility; Can They Coexist?* 24 Family Lawyer, Issue No. 1, 2002; and was a guest columnist for the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, commenting on the Elian Gonzales case.

BEVERLY MACKERETH

Deputy Secretary, Department of Public Welfare



Public service has been the hallmark of Bev Mackereth's professional career. She began her service with the York County Blind Center in 1979. Next, she became a caseworker and then supervisor at York County Children and Youth Services overseeing intake investigations of alleged child abuse and neglect from 1980 to 1987.

Her experience in helping York County children led to her service with the York County District Attorney's Office beginning with her position of victim witness coordinator. As the victim witness coordinator, she developed and implemented a local effort to coordinate services for crime victims. Ms. Mackereth also created a number of important programs within the District Attorney's Office including the Child Abuse Unit, the "Stop Violence Against Women" program, and a Juvenile

Prosecution Unit. Ms. Mackereth has also served as a statewide consultant for Pennsylvania's Office of Attorney General.

In 1997, Ms. Mackereth was appointed by Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge as deputy director of the Governor's Community Partnership for Safe Children. The partnership was established to assist communities in setting up effective programs to reduce childhood violence.

Prior to her election to the state House, Ms. Mackereth served as Executive Director of the Healthy York County Coalition. Ms. Mackereth was previously elected as Mayor of Spring Grove in 1996 until 2000, and served on the Spring Grove Borough Council and Planning Commission.

Ms. Mackereth was elected to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives in 2000 to serve the 196th Legislative District, and served four terms in office. During her tenure in the legislature, Ms. Mackereth served on the Education, Children & Youth, Aging & Older Adult Services, Judiciary, and Health & Human Services Committees. She was also appointed deputy whip and chairperson of the House Basic Education Subcommittee.

In 2008, Ms. Mackereth took the position of Executive Director of the York County Human Services Department. As Executive Director, Ms. Mackereth oversaw the York County offices of Aging; Mental Health; Mental Retardation; Early Intervention; Drug & Alcohol; Veterans Affairs; HealthChoices; Children, Youth & Families; and the Youth Development Center. In addition to departmental oversight, Ms. Mackereth was responsible for the administration of the Homeless Assistance Program, Human Services Development Fund, Medical Assistance Transportation, Child and Adolescent Service System Program, Family Group Decision Making, and Homeless Management Information System.

In November 2011 Ms. Mackereth was appointed by Governor Corbett as the Deputy Secretary of the Office of Children, Youth and Families in the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare. As Deputy Secretary, Ms. Mackereth promoted increased collaboration between counties, the state, and providers; pushed for family and youth engagement; and successfully negotiated a Title IV-E Waiver with the federal government to improve child welfare practice and outcomes for children, youth and families.

In February 2013 Ms. Mackereth was named Acting Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare. Ms. Mackereth graduated Frostburg State University in 1979 with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Sociology. Bev Mackereth is the mother of four and lives in Spring Grove with her husband, Michael.

Jim Anderson

James E. Anderson is the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Juvenile Court Judges' Commission. In this capacity, he is responsible for the administration of all aspects of the Commission's comprehensive juvenile justice programs, including the operations of the Commission's Center for Juvenile Justice Training and Research at Shippensburg University.

Mr. Anderson is Pennsylvania's primary state-level expert on matters relating to juvenile justice and juvenile court systems. In this capacity, Mr. Anderson is the principal point of contact regarding these matters for Pennsylvania's juvenile court judges, juvenile probation administrators, and the General Assembly. He holds a Master of Arts in Criminology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (1975), where he also earned his Bachelor's Degree in Criminology (1972).

Mr. Anderson began his career as a probation officer with the Elk County Probation Department in July 1972, and was promoted to Chief Probation Officer in February 1973. He served as Chief Probation Officer for the 59th Judicial District (Elk and Cameron Counties) from December 1974 until January 1978, when he accepted the position of Juvenile Justice Planner with the Northwest Regional Planning Council of the Governor's Justice Commission. Mr. Anderson joined the staff of the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission in May 1978, as the Commission's Legislative Consultant. He was appointed Coordinator of Policy Development in 1981, promoted to Deputy Director in 1983, and appointed as Executive Director of the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission in 1986.

During his career with the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission, Mr. Anderson has been actively involved in every major legislative issue affecting Pennsylvania's juvenile justice, juvenile court or child welfare systems, including his development of legislative proposals that were enacted as amendments to Pennsylvania's Juvenile Act in 1980, 1986, 1991, 1995, 1998, 2002, 2004 and 2006. The Commission's legislative program, directed by Mr. Anderson, has twice been recognized as the Nation's "Outstanding Juvenile Legislation Program" by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

Mr. Anderson developed the language contained in Act 33 of Special Session No. 1 of 1995 that redefined the mission of Pennsylvania's juvenile justice system around the principles of balanced and restorative justice. Pennsylvania was the first state to adopt such legislation, which gives priority to repairing the harm done to crime victims and communities, and defines offender accountability in terms of assuming responsibility and taking action to repair harm. At least 22 other states have enacted similar legislation based on the Pennsylvania model.

Mr. Anderson is a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) and serves as Vice-chair of PCCD's Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Safety Committee. He also serves on PCCD's Public Safety Committee and on the Steering Committee for the Commonwealth's Justice Network (JNET), an integrated justice information system that has standardized information and communications technology across Pennsylvania's justice and justice-related agencies.

Mr. Anderson is an ex officio member of the Juvenile Court Procedural Rules Committee and is currently serving as Pennsylvania's representative on the Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice, the responsibilities of which include advising the President and Congress with regard to state perspectives on federal legislation pertaining to juvenile justice and delinquency prevention.



Mr. Anderson is a frequent lecturer and trainer on topics related to juvenile justice policy, balanced and restorative justice, and legislative advocacy. In March 2005, he received the inaugural M. James Toner Award from the National Juvenile Court Services Association in recognition of a lifetime of outstanding service to the juvenile justice community. In October 2005, he was honored for his steadfast pursuit of justice by the Juvenile Law Center. In December 2008, Mr. Anderson was recognized by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation as one of four inaugural Champions for Change in conjunction with their national Models for Change juvenile justice reform initiative.

Honorable Kim Berkeley-Clark

Judge Clark was appointed to the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, PA by Governor Tom Ridge in March 1999. She was elected to a full ten-year term in November 1999. Judge Clark currently serves as a judge in the Family Division, where she primarily presides over juvenile matters. Judge Clark was the Administrative Judge of the Family Division from January of 2006 through January of 2009. She is the first African-American to be appointed as an Administrative Judge in Allegheny County. Prior to becoming the Administrative Judge of Family Division, Judge Clark served as the Supervising Judge of Juvenile Court.

In her capacity as a juvenile and family court judge, Judge Clark has been appointed to serve as a member of the Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission on Racial, Gender, and Ethnic Fairness; the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency—Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Committee; the State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision; the Pennsylvania Juvenile Indigent Defense Action Network; and the Joint State Government Commission on Children of Incarcerated Parents. Judge Clark previously served as a member of the Pennsylvania Domestic Relations Procedural Rules Committee; and the Pennsylvania Juvenile Court Judges' Commission.

Judge Clark is a member of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, where she currently serves as 2nd Vice President and as President Elect of the Juvenile Section. Judge Clark is a member of the Allegheny County Bar Association (ACBA) and served as the President in 2006-2007. She is the first judge and the first African-American female to serve as President of the ACBA. Judge Clark also serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and serves as the chair of the Board of Fellows for the National Center for Juvenile Justice.

Judge Clark is a trustee of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh and a member of the Board of Directors of the Pittsburgh Project. She is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2007 African American Leadership Award for Excellence in Education given by Duquesne Light and WQED Multimedia and the Children's Hospital/UPMC Champion of Hope and Healing Award in 2007. In 2006 and 2008, the New Pittsburgh Courier named Judge Clark one of the 50 Women of Influence. In 2011, Judge Clark received the Wesley Spectrum Services Black History and Diversity Hero of the Year Award, the William H. Moore Award for Excellence from N.O.B.L.E., and the Three Rivers Adoption Council Friend of Adoption Award. In 2012 Judge Clark received the Drum Major of Justice Award from the Homer S. Brown Division of the Allegheny County Bar Association and was recognized as a Woman of Distinction in Law from the Girl Scouts of Western Pa. Judge Clark also received the 2012 Judge Homer S. Brown Award from the Pittsburgh NAACP, the 2012 Phillip Werner Amram Award from the Allegheny County Bar Association, the Friend of Children Award from Macedonia F.A.C.E., the Achievement Award for Community Advocacy from the Iota Phi Foundation of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., the 2012 Pittsburgh Circle of Courage Award in Law from BCC Ministries, and the 2012 Athena Award.

Judge Clark is married to Walter Hales, Jr.

Janine M. D'Anniballe, Ph.D.

Janine D'Anniballe has been dedicated to the prevention, treatment, and training of sexual assault issues for the past 18 years. Currently, she is the Director of Access, Emergency, and Community Services at Mental Health Partners in Boulder Colorado. Previously, she was the Executive Director of Moving to End Sexual Assault (MESA), the rape crisis center in Boulder Colorado for ten years. She received her Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Tennessee.

Dr. D'Anniballe has provided training and consultation to attorneys, law enforcement, military personnel, mental health professionals, victim advocates and University staff in more than 30 states across the country. She serves as a trainer for the Ending Violence Against Women Project for the State of Colorado, providing training throughout the state addressing system response issues in sexual assault cases. In 2003, Dr. D'Anniballe joined the faculty of the National Judicial Education Program that educates judges on sexual assault issues and how these cases are approached in the courtroom so as to minimize re-traumatization of victims without undermining defendants' constitutional rights. A licensed psychologist, Dr. D'Anniballe has a private consulting practice in Boulder with an emphasis on understanding and treating psychological trauma. Additionally, she testifies as an expert witness in sexual assault cases throughout the state of Colorado.





Honorable Christopher A. Feliciani

Christopher A. Feliciani is a 1988 graduate of Ohio Northern University, Pettit College of Law. He was an Editor of the College's Law Review and served as the Administrative Chief Justice of the College's Moot Court program. He attained his Juris Doctorate degree in May, 1988 and was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Ohio that same year. In 1989, he was admitted to practice before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. From 1989 through 2003, Judge Feliciani was a partner with the firm of Berk, Whitehead, Kerr, Feliciani & Turin, P.C. Feliciani also worked as an Assistant Public Defender in the Westmoreland County Public Defender's Office between 1989 and 1991. His private practice consisted of family law, criminal law, municipal law, and civil litigation.

In November 2003, Judge Feliciani was elected to the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County and was assigned to the Family Court Division. He has been assigned as the Administrative Judge to the Westmoreland County Children's Bureau. He has been instrumental in the development and implementation of the local Westmoreland County Roundtable and also sits on the State Leadership Roundtable. Judge Feliciani has participated on the Incarcerated Parent Subcommittee. He has also engaged the American

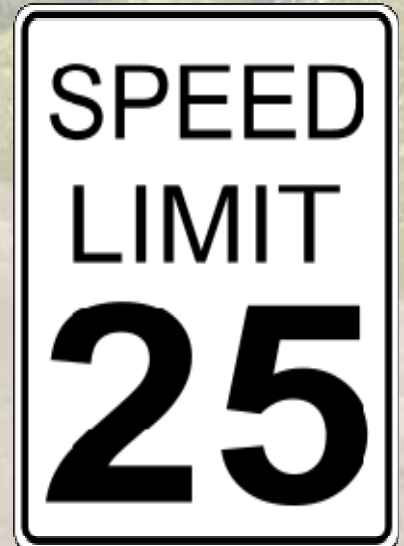
Bar Association, Barriers to Permanency Project. In his capacity as a family court judge, he formed a steering committee which organized and implemented a Court Appointed Special Advocate Program, CASA of Westmoreland, Inc. Judge Feliciani also formed the "Accelerated Permanency Treatment" Program, a Family Drug Court designed to assist drug and alcohol addicted individuals in overcoming their addiction and reestablishing custody of their children in dependency actions.

Therese Roe Lund

Therese Roe Lund is the Associate Director of the National Resource Center for Child Protective Services. She provides expert consultation, technical assistance and training to public child welfare agencies and their stakeholders regarding systemic implementation of practice reform, particularly regarding safety decision making throughout the life of the child welfare case process. The co-author of the book, *Child Safety: A Guide for Judges and Attorneys*, Terry has written numerous articles and other training resources and curricula regarding child welfare and decision making. Most recently she has contributed two chapters on child welfare practice for the 2nd edition of the National Association of Counsel for Children's Child Welfare Law and Practice, an important resource for those practicing in the field of child welfare law.

Terry is also the Director of Program and Staff Development for ACTION for Child Protection, a private, non-profit organization that provides leadership, consultation and training for public child welfare and its stakeholders. Terry is recognized as a leader in the field of child welfare safety decision making, and she is involved in national efforts to improve recruitment, retention and development of child welfare staff and supervisors.

Terry has an MSSW from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has been a caseworker, supervisor and director of urban child welfare agencies, successfully implementing the safety decision-making principles described in the Guide.



Sandra Moore, MSW

Sandy assumed the position of Administrator for the Office of Children & Families in the Courts (OCFC), Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts in January 2008. In this role, Sandy works closely with the Honorable Max Baer, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Justice overseeing the state's Dependency Court Improvement Program. This oversight includes providing leadership for Pennsylvania's Children's Roundtable Initiative, the overarching structure of the state's court improvement initiative. Additionally, the office coordinates specific court improvement activities including the creation of a Statewide Dependency Court Management/Data system, a Dependency Bench Book, the Dependency Mission/Guiding Principles, the Permanency Practice Initiative, a graduated educational curriculum for Dependency Judges, and training for Guardian ad Litem and Parent Attorneys.

Prior to her current position, Sandy held the dual position of Dauphin County (home to the state's capitol, Harrisburg) Children & Youth Administrator/Human Services Director where she supervised a \$200 million budget and a workforce of 400. Beginning her career in the late 1980s as a social worker in the California Child Welfare system, Sandy has over 20 years of direct casework and administrative experience. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Social Welfare and a Master's of Social Work. She has presented at local, national and international conferences. Sandy has taught at various colleges and universities, including California State University at Fresno and Temple University.

Zygmunt Pines, Esq.

Zygmunt Pines, Esq. has been the Court Administrator of the Pennsylvania Courts since 2000. Immediately preceding this role, Mr. Pines was Chief Legal Counsel for the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (1991-2000).

Jennifer Renne, Esq.

Jennifer Renne is the Director of the National Resource Center for Legal and Judicial Issues at the American Bar Association, Center on Children and the Law. Jennifer has provided training and technical assistance in almost every state on a wide variety of issues including improving permanency outcomes, achieving permanency for older youth, child safety and collaboration between court systems and the child welfare agency. She now coordinates technical assistance for the Resource Center. Her publications include books titled Making it Permanent: Efforts to Finalize Permanency Plans for Foster Children, Legal Ethics in Child Welfare Cases, and Child Safety: A Guide for Judges and Lawyers.

Prior to her job at the ABA, Jennifer represented children in child abuse and neglect cases for eight years at Maryland's Legal Aid Bureau where she was supervising attorney of the Child Advocacy Unit. Jennifer received her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center and her B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania. She has been an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center for ten years, teaching legal ethics to students interested in pursuing public interest law careers.

Ilarion "Larry" Shuga

Since 1991, Mr. Shuga is employed as a Deputy Sheriff and serves on the Honor Guard in the Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office. He is the chaplain for the PA Deputy Sheriff's Association and a fire arms instructor. An alumnus of the Duquesne University Tamburitzans, he also directs the St. Gregory Russian Orthodox Church Choir, Homestead, PA.

Larry has had the privilege of singing in 48 states, as well as, the countries of Bulgaria, Canada and the former Yugoslavia and locally at venues including the Pittsburgh Civic Arena, Heinz Hall, Beneden Center, PNC Park and Heinz Field. He has been invited to sing for PA Senators, the Governor and at law enforcement funerals.



Cathy Utz

Ms. Utz is the Acting Deputy Secretary for Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare's Office of Children, Youth and Families. For the past 16 years, Ms. Utz has been responsible for providing oversight to numerous special children and youth initiatives and has been instrumental in formulating recommendations for needed policy, regulatory and statutory change to improve and enhance the Commonwealth's child welfare system. In addition, she has 11 years of county-level child welfare experience as a caseworker and manager.

Rose Weir, MSW

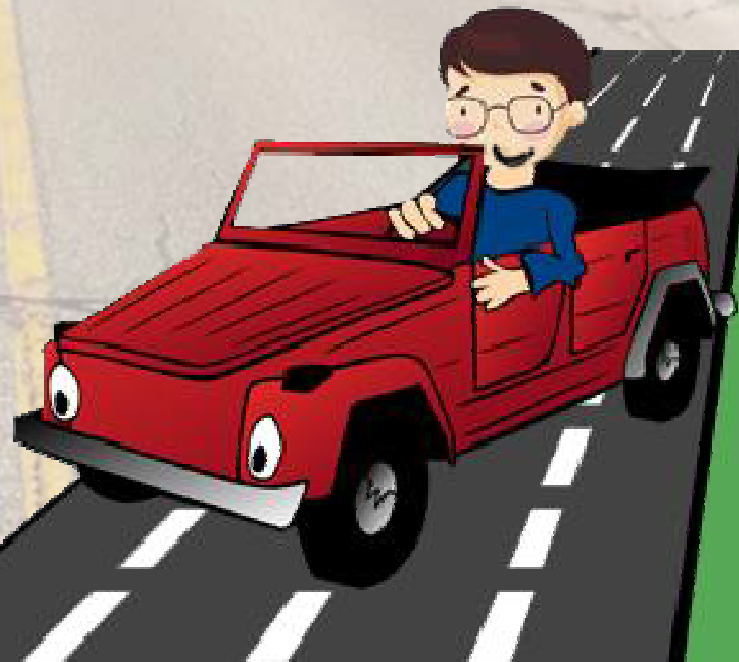
Rose has worked at Snyder County Children and Youth Services for the past 29 years. She has worked in all units of services from intake and investigations, in-home ongoing services, to out-of-home services. She created the Agency's resource parent recruitment and retention program in 1987 and the independent living program in the mid-90's. She became the agency administrator in 2005.

Rose received her Bachelor degree in Social Work from Shippensburg University, her Master's Degree in Social Work from Temple University and is licensed, and has her Master's Degree and certification in elementary and secondary school counseling from Bucknell University, graduating with honors in each program.

Rose is an adjunct faculty at Susquehanna University since 1999 providing instruction for the Social Work course and is a trainer for the Child Welfare Resource Center since 2007 focusing on Interactional Helping Skills, Out of Home Placement and Visitation, Family Finding, and Fiscal Overview Curriculums.

Rose received recognition/ honors in 2007 Leadership Academy by the Pennsylvania Children and Youth Administrator Association; in 2005 for Agency of the Year by the State Foster Parent Association; in 2003 for Caseworker of the Year by the State Foster Parent Association; and in 1999 and 2000, Best Practice Rural Model of Independent Living Program and listed in Who's Who in college as well as in 2008-2009.

Rose currently serves as Statewide Roundtable 8 member, Leadership Regional Roundtable 8 Co-chair, training steering committee at Child Welfare Resource Center, and a founding member of the Snyder County Coalition For Kids. Personally, Rose has three grown children and one granddaughter, serves as a lay speaker for her local church, and is the mission and ministry chair, sings in the praise team and choir, and is an active participate in bible studies. She is also the treasurer for Soroptomist International of Snyder, Union, and Northumberland Counties.



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The “**Blues Peddlers**” is a local Rhythm and Blues Band. They have been playing together for over 30 years. In the late 70’s and early 80’s, most of the current band members played with the “Loco Brothers Band,” led by Tom Duda, during which time they recorded and performed all original country-rock / rhythm and blues. In the late 70’s, the Loco Brothers Band had a short-lived, but locally popular hit that was released on a 45rpm, called the “Banana Song.” Currently, they continue to record original music and perform at local events, blues clubs, and cafes, mostly just for fun! If you get real bored, check out Chris Feliciani’s “Pittsburgh Steelers We’re the Bomb” on Youtube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O4XzzQrwig>.

Casey Family Programs (CFP) is the nation’s largest operating foundation focused entirely on foster care and improving the child welfare system. Founded in 1966, CFP provides and improves – and ultimately prevents the need for – foster care in the United States. As champions for change, CFP is committed to the 2020 Strategy for America’s Children – a goal to safely reduce the number of children in foster care and improve the lives of those who remain in care. CFP has worked extensively towards this goal in Pennsylvania. They have provided financial and technical assistance and resources to the state and individual counties. They have supported Pennsylvania’s involvement in the National Governor’s Academy, the Permanency Practice Initiative, and most recently this 4th Children’s Roundtable Summit. www.casey.org

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SUMMIT EVALUATION

Are We There Yet?

Your impressions are very important and will assist us in planning future Summits. Therefore, the Summit planning committee thanks you in advance for your input. Please complete the following using a 1 (poor) to 4 (excellent) rating scale.

What is your overall evaluation of the facility? 1 2 3 4

Rank these specific items:

Food	1	2	3	4
Location	1	2	3	4
Meeting rooms/accommodations/guest rooms	1	2	3	4
Hotel registration/check in	1	2	3	4
Parking	1	2	3	4

Logistics:

Summit pre-registration packet	1	2	3	4
Summit on-site registration	1	2	3	4
Workshop materials	1	2	3	4
Networking opportunities	1	2	3	4
Scheduling	1	2	3	4

Program:

What is your overall evaluation of the program? 1 2 3 4

Rank these specific items:

Program format	1	2	3	4
Relevance of topics	1	2	3	4
Presentation of new information	1	2	3	4
Opening ceremonies	1	2	3	4

Dinner program 1 2 3 4

Optional morning activities 1 2 3 4

Bar-B-Q and musical entertainment	1	2	3	4
Closing remarks	1	2	3	4

How satisfied were you with the individual sessions? 1 2 3 4

Protecting Children: What is Safety

Jennifer Renne, Esquire

National Resource Center on Legal and Judicial Issues

1 2 3 4

Theresa Roe Lund, Associate Director

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Trauma: Why Survivors Feel and Act the Way They Do

1 2 3 4

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Promoting Strong Families: Youth and Family Panel

1 2 3 4

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Promoting Child Well-being: Panel of Judges and Administrators

1 2 3 4

Sandy Moore, MSW, Administrator,

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Team Time: Looking in the Rearview Mirror and Side Windows

1 2 3 4

Dependent Youth of Incarcerated Parents Panel

1 2 3 4

Honorable Kim Berkeley Clark,

Allegheny County Judge, Moderator

**Team Time: Looking through the Windshield-
Creating a road map for the future**

1 2 3 4

What is your overall evaluation of the Summit?

1 2 3 4

Additional comments...

What can be done in future Summits to improve any above ranking of 1 or 2?

Taking it with you...

What segment was most valuable to you? Why?

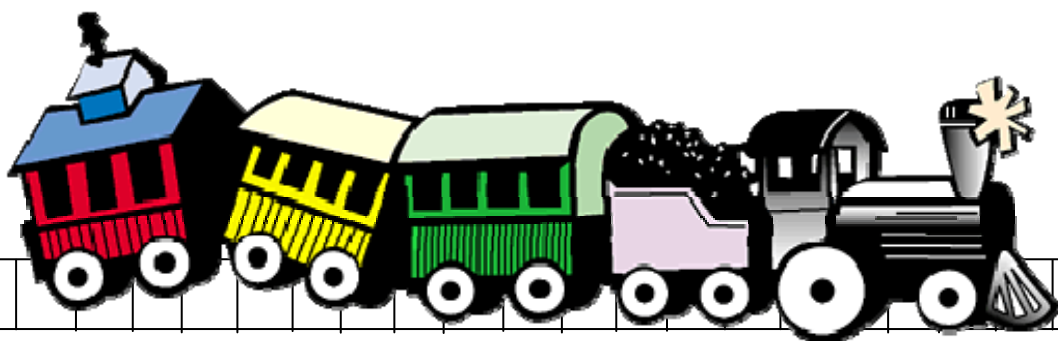
What will you do differently as a result of this Summit?

Do you have any recommendations for future Summits?

Would you like to help plan the 2015 Summit? (Name) _____

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