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**Easter Seals Wisconsin Recognizes Schwaller Family as Outstanding Fundraising Group**

Madison, WI—Easter Seals Wisconsin held their biennial Recognition Dinner on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at Nakoma Golf Club in Madison. The event is an opportunity to honor people and organizations that have made a significant impact on the programs and services of the organization. This year, ten individuals, families, and organizations were recognized as honorees with distinguished awards.



Members of the Schwaller family accepting the Outstanding Fundraising Group award from Easter Seals Wisconsin.

One of the families honored at the event was the Schwaller family of Appleton, most significantly, the late Anne Schwaller, for Outstanding Fundraising Group. Anne attended Easter Seals Camp Wawbeek for 55 years, and considered camp her “home away from home.” Born with cerebral palsy, she was deeply appreciative of the organizations that helped her over the years and developed a strong desire to give back. Her way of doing so was through the Human Race, an Appleton event that raised money for charities designated by individual participants. Ann took part for 14 years and gave the funds she raised during

that time to the Easter Seals Disability HelpLine of Outagamie County. Her family initiated a memorial fundraising walk in her honor after Anne’s passing, in dedication and support of the organization she loved and cherished. Anne and her family have raised more than \$50,000 for Easter Seals Wisconsin.

**About Easter Seals Wisconsin:** For over 90 years, Easter Seals Wisconsin ([www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com](http://www.EasterSealsWisconsin.com)) has provided services that help children and adults with disabilities gain greater independence. Easter Seals’ primary services – vocational rehabilitation, respite services, camping and recreation, information and referral, and public education – benefit close to 10,000 individuals with disabilities and their families each year throughout Wisconsin.

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