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Volunteers Kent and Mary Alice Warner of Center Harbor honored by

Spaulding Youth Center

(Northfield, NH) Spaulding Youth Center recently held a celebration to honor Kent and Mary Alice Warner from Center Harbor who have helped Spaulding Youth Center immeasurably through enthusiastic volunteer work, guidance and philanthropy. Their passion for helping children with challenges led them to Spaulding many years ago and they eventually became Board members - Mary Alice from 1996 to 2002 and Kent from 1998 until 2013. When Kent resigned from the Board of Trustees in June he was elected Trustee Emiritus of Spaulding.

Students, staff and board members gathered in the Spaulding Community Center to applaud both Kent and Mary Alice and guests took turns thanking and roasting Kent on the eve of his retirement from the board. A citation from Governor Hassan was read and a student presented a declaration from Spaulding Youth Center declaring the day to be "Kent and Mary Alice Warner Day."

Kent has worked tirelessly for Spaulding serving on the following committees during his tenure: Development, Endowment Oversight, Finance, Joint Governance Task Force, and Physical Plant and Natural Resources. The climax of his career at Spaulding was his involvement in raising funds for a highly successful capital campaign to build a state-of-the-art school that has the capacity to educate 100 special needs students. CEO and President Susan Calegari thanked both Kent and Mary Alice for all their support, friendship and unabashed commitment to advancing Spaulding's mission.

Spaulding Youth Center leverages professional expertise to help young people with autism or other developmental and/or behavioral challenges learn the academic and life skills needed to be successful in their homes, schools and communities.

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Photo Caption: Kent and Mary Alice Warner of Center Harbor were honored at a celebration at Spaulding Youth Center where students, board members and staff thanked them for their many years as volunteers serving on the board and many committees. From left to right, honorees Kent and Mary Alice Warner and CEO and President of Spaulding Youth Center Susan S. Calegari.

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