

February Newsletter - 2010



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2010 marks the 20th anniversary of the **Americans with Disabilities Act!**
Look out for ongoing updates on the celebration of two decades of progress!



End the R-Word Day is MARCH 3rd, 2010

[Spread the Word to End the Word](#) is an ongoing effort by Special Olympics, Best Buddies International and our supporters to raise the consciousness of society about the dehumanizing and hurtful effects of the word "retard(ed)" and encourage people to pledge to stop using the R-word.

[PLEDGE YOUR SUPPORT NOW](#)

For more information, videos, events and resources to host your own event, visit <http://www.r-word.org/>

Self-Advocacy in Action!

Watch Diana Braun and Kathy Conour of *Body & Soul: Diana & Kathy* discuss self-determination, advocacy, and independent living in these two new short videos. Both videos are English Captioned.

Click the images below to watch the videos on YouTube.

Diana and Kathy on Self-Determination (3:25)



Diana and Kathy on Advocacy and Independent Living (3:55)



Diana Update

Diana will be presenting at two important conferences this month in St. Louis, Missouri.

March 6th

[Down Syndrome Association of Greater St. Louis](#)



March 7th

[The Arc of St. Louis](#)



For more information, click the organization's logo above

Congratulations
2010 Paul G. Hearne Leadership
Award Winners

Lawrence Carter-Long

Callicoon Center Band Update

Alice Elliott screened the trailer of her upcoming documentary featuring the [Callicoon Center Band](#) last weekend at the local firehouse in Callicoon Center, New York. In between screenings, Alice showed exclusive archival 16mm footage of logging in Sullivan County during the early 20th century.



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The Washington Post

Check out Timothy Shriver's Washington Post article on the use of the word "retarded"

and
Don Dew



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What Can YOU Do to Advance the Employment of People with Disabilities?

Share These Videos!

Dew of Hays, KS, and Carter-Long, of New York City, will be presented with their awards, which are given to emerging leaders in the national cross-disability community, at the 2010 AAPD Leadership Gala on March 10. Dew and Carter-Long were chosen by a national advisory committee to receive \$10,000 each to further their work in the disability community.

Dew works through his organization, [ReachOut USA](#), to ensure full equality for the four million Americans who have a disability and are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT).

Lawrence Carter-Long works with [Disabilities Network of NYC](#), an organization that brings people, organizations, government and industry together to find solutions to the problems faced by New Yorkers with physical, visual and hearing disabilities, and works for full inclusion of people with disabilities.

To read the full press release, [click here!](#)

For more information about the event, visit www.AAPD.com

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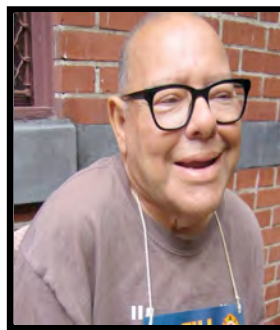
<http://twitter.com/dianaandkathy>

In support of the [What Can YOU Do?](#) outreach effort, the Campaign for Disability Employment is pleased to present the Campaign for Disability Employment's "I Can" public service announcement (PSA). This flagship PSA was produced specifically for the What Can YOU Do? Campaign. It features seven real people - not actors - with hidden and obvious disabilities, demonstrating what they "can do" on the job when given the opportunity.

Intended for television broadcast, we would like to see this PSA and its inspiring message distributed as widely as possible. We invite you to share it with others so we can all remember that at work, it's what people can do that matters



"I Can" PSA
[click to play](#)



Keep up with Larry!

To follow Larry on twitter and get updates on his fundraising activities, visit

<https://twitter.com/LarryCollector>

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