

# TRIB LOCAL

[Home](#) > [Stories](#) > [Community Service/Volunteer](#)

[EMAIL THIS](#) | [PRINT THIS](#)

## Nurture Receives Highland Park's Robert Barnard Character Counts Pillar Award

By: wck002

04/19/10 09:15 PM 58 hits



**Highland Park Mayor, Michael D. Belsky, presents award to Nurture**

The Character Counts Committee of the City of Highland Park and Highland Park Mayor Michael Belsky presented Nurture with a Robert Barnard Character Counts Pillar Award on Wednesday, March 24th at the Highland Park Country Club.

Nurture was chosen in the business category as the organization and volunteers' beliefs, attitudes, and actions consistently exemplify the Six Pillars of Character. The Six Pillars of Character are as follows: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship.

Nurture provides a Parent Education program at Family Network in Highland Park that combines philanthropic giving with hands-on teaching. It provides limited-resource parents with tools to help them stretch their food dollars, empowers caregivers with efficient and effective means to provide healthy meals, and emphasizes the importance of physical activity as part of a healthy lifestyle. In addition,

Nurture also provides a Friday afternoon program at North Shore School District 112's Oak Terrace for fourth and fifth graders who qualify for free or reduced lunches. Their Volunteers don't stop there! At Oak Terrace, they go from class to class teaching about and providing healthy snacks.

Nurture's volunteers are as caring and compassionate as they are innovative and educated. Their classes are free of charge, thanks to the volunteers' fundraising efforts.

The award was accepted by Elizabeth Thomas, Nurture Your Schools Program Coordinator and Oak Terrace After School Teacher, and Nora Barquin of Family Network.

**POST YOUR COMMENTS**

**REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO POST A COMMENT? IF SO, PLEASE LOGIN OR IF YOU ARE NOT A MEMBER REGISTER HERE