

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

11:30 Registration

12:00 Call to Lunch

12:15 Welcoming Remarks

Del Donahoo, master of ceremonies
Invocation by Most Reverend Roger William Gries, O.S.B
Ellen Minadeo, CMR board president
Elizabeth Kelley, Esq., event chair
Cindy Norwood, CMR executive director

Presentation of 2007 Awards

The Excellence in Self-Advocacy Award

Presented to Mike Rich by Vic Leanza

The Ben M. Bonanno Excellence in Advocacy Award

Presented to Dick Russ by Ben M. Bonanno

Closing Remarks

Del Donahoo



Master of Ceremonies
Del Donahoo
WKYC-TV3 Feature Reporter

Del is best known for the popular *Del's Folks* and *Del's Feasts*, which, throughout the years, have highlighted people and dining establishments in our region. Currently, Del is a senior correspondent, in partnership with MetroHealth, broadcasting weekly stories to help seniors stay healthy and vibrant.

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A Look Back at the 2006 Legacy Luncheon

At last year's Legacy Luncheon, the **Ben M. Bonanno Excellence in Advocacy Award**, named for Executive Director Emeritus of the Center for Mental Retardation, was introduced. Ben has long been revered for his international leadership in advocacy, protecting the rights of people with intellectual disabilities.

The first Ben M. Bonanno Excellence in Advocacy Award honored the memory of **Edward I. and Fannie L. Baker**. The Bakers turned the love for their daughter, Debbie, who had Down syndrome, into a drive to help others. They were pioneers in providing support services for children and their families in both Cleveland and Israel. As a tribute to the Bakers' generosity, their daughters, Bonnie, Jane and Karen, have continued their parents' commitment to advocate on behalf of individuals with mental retardation and developmental disabilities.



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