



***Iowa Commission of
Persons with Disabilities***

***Commission Members
And Activities***

July 1, 2001—June 30, 2002

Commission Members

Darlene McMartin, Chair
Darwin Larson, Vice Chair
Becky Olson, Secretary

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Iowa City
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Decorah
Glenwood
Waterloo
Clinton
Hancock
Des Moines
Ankeny
Mason City
Des Moines
Manchester
Indianola

Friends of the Commission

A non-profit organization, the Friends of the Commission of Persons with Disabilities was formed last year. They have been instrumental in helping the Commission and Division in carrying out their duties by seeking grants and donations.

Gary McDermott, Chair
Joan Van Zomeren, Vice-Chair
Darwin Larson
Thomas Mayes
Darlene McMartin
Carol Ziegler

Ex-Officio Members

These individuals are designated by Iowa Code to be ex-officio members.

Stephen Gleason, Director, Department of Public Health
Richard Running, Director, Workforce Development
Rose Vasquez, Director, Department of Human Rights
Byron Orton, Commissioner, Division of Labor Services
Jessie Rasmussen, Director, Department of Human Services
Alan Harris, Director, Department for the Blind
Becky Maddy Harker, Director, Governor's DD Council
Mollie Anderson, Director, Department of Personnel
Dwight Carlson, Administrator, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Iris Post, Commissioner, Division of Industrial Services
Ted Stilwill, Director, Department of Education

All meetings are open to the public. Meetings are held quarterly.



Awards Banquet

Governor Thomas J Vilsak was the guest speaker at the annual awards banquet held at the Marriott in downtown Des Moines.

Governor's Award - Theresa J. Uchytel

Commissioners' Award - Patrick O'Hearn

Best Accessible Design Award - Marriott Hotel-Downtown

Media Award - Polk County Health Services and Strategic America

Employer Awards - Kathcho, Inc., Dave's Super Valu

Outstanding Achievement Award - Brandi McCauley

Youth Service Award - Hope Avery

**"Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; it's when you've had everything to do, and you've done it."
- Margaret Thatcher**



Local Committees

CEDAR RAPIDS

Citizen's Committee for People with Disabilities
 Bob Stock, Chair
 2546 Indiana Street S.W.
 Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404
 (319)365-6434
 3rd Tuesday Month – 12:00 Noon
 Kirkwood Resource Center

CLINTON

Clinton Coalition for Disabled Persons
 Evelyn & Laura Dymkowski, Co-Chairs
 2113 Roosevelt St.
 Clinton, Iowa 52732-2416
 (319)242-5645 (home)
 1st Thursday Month – 7:00 p.m.
 Park Tower Apartments

COUNCIL BLUFFS

Equal Access for the Disabled
 Pat Butler, Chair
 377 Harrison
 Council Bluffs, Iowa 51503
 (712)323-1894
 1st Monday Month—1:30 p.m.
 Senior Citizen Center
 patty78147@aol.com

DES MOINES

Citizens' Disability Council
 Kathleen O'Leary
 2805 30th Street, Apt 16
 Des Moines, Iowa 50310
 (515) 283-4284 (work)
 Every other Month, 2nd Wednesday – 12:00 Noon
 Central Iowa Center for Independent Living

IOWA CITY

Johnson County Coalition of Persons with Disabilities
 Loren Wakefield, Chair
 1220 Village Rd. #14
 Iowa City, Iowa 52240
 (319) 338-9859
 1st & 3rd Monday Month- 6:30 p.m.

SIoux CITY

Siouxland Committee-Abilities First
 Mark Lewis and Cecille Hudson, Co-Chairs
 % Delores McCuddin
 4000 Adams Street, Sioux City, Iowa 51108
 3rd Tuesday Month—Noon
 St. Luke's Hospital

FORT DODGE

Fort Dodge Coalition
 For People with Disabilities
 Gene Van Grevenhof & Irene Blair, Co-Chairs
 115 South 21st Street
 Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501
 (515)955-8744
 (515)955-2662 (fax)
 3rd Tuesday Month—5:00 p.m.
 eagle@dodgenet.com