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**Prescott Residents Mark and Kelley Haag, Kim Stamper and Martin Gottlieb
named to Arizona's Children Association Circle of Champions**

Arizona's Children Association is pleased to announce that Mark and Kelley Haag, Kim Stamper, and Martin Gottlieb have been named to the Arizona's Children Association Circle of Champions, a group of dedicated volunteers who help those in need in the Prescott area.

The recipients will be honored at the annual Celebrate! Dinner Dance on Friday, August 21st at the Prescott Community Center. This year's honorees embody the purpose of the Circle of Champions Award to *"bring the entire community together to celebrate the accomplishments of community leaders and visionaries who have worked tirelessly to improve the quality of life for all Arizonans and especially our children."*

Mark and Kelley Haag are foster parents who welcome very troubled children into their home, where they provide the loving home and structure that children need. They also participate in Special Olympics, volunteering their time in the track & field and softball events.

Kim Stamper and her husband Mark continue to adopt and foster special needs children. Kim coordinates the Bradshaw Mountain Special Olympics program. She is a founder and an active member of the First Responders Committee, which administers the Smart Card Program to help emergency first responders better serve individuals with special needs. She also teaches Police Academy students how to understand the challenges of special needs individuals and their families and how to interact with them.

Martin Gottlieb and his wife have cared for three children in foster care. Among his many community activities, he is a Big Brother to a Little Brother in Big Brothers/Big Sisters, a major donor to the organization and member of the board; he also co-chaired the building fund that made possible Yavapai Regional Medical Center East in Prescott.

Proceeds from the Celebrate! Dinner Dance benefit Arizona's Children Association, the state's largest non-profit child welfare and behavioral health organization, which provides more than 40 Prevention, Intervention and Permanency programs to 45,000 children and families throughout the state. This event will specifically benefit Arizona's Children Association programs and services in Yavapai County, including Foster Care, Adoption, Counseling, Independent Living Services and Child Haven. To learn more about Arizona's Children Association, visit our website at www.arizonaschildren.org.

For more information about the event or to purchase sponsorships or group or individual tickets, contact Marc Kellenberger at (800) 944-7611 ext.136.

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