Hands of Hope Gala honors some very special people

One to One Learning celebrated its 18th Anniversary at the Nyack Seaport by honoring some very special witnesses to its mission: “To provide English classes and other supportive services to immigrants to empower them to grow to their full potential and to lead meaningful lives within the communities in which they live and work.”

- The Advocate Award was given to Rev. Msgr. Kevin Sullivan, who throughout his life and through his position at Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York has been a voice to the powerful for those with the least options, among them immigrants.
- The Rotary Club of Nyack was awarded the Humanitarian Award for their financial support of One to One Learning and for their empowerment of the youth and outreach to the elderly in Rockland.
- The Founder’s Award was given to Sister Patricia Hogan for embodying the spirit of Mother Catherine Antoninus Thorpe, foundress of the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill. In the late 1800’s Mother Catherine called together women to care for the physical and spiritual needs of women and children. Throughout her life, Sister Pat has empowered so many through her ministry of teaching and parish ministry.
- Paul Piperato, Rockland County Clerk, received the Community Service Award for his special interest in immigrants, providing Citizenship “Swearing-in” Ceremonies for residents of Rockland thus making it more convenient for them.
- Teacher Service Awards were given

Sharon Mullin - Youth Award.


Henry Ramirez - Student Award.

Sonia Garcia - Student Award.

Sister Patricia Hogan, OP, received the Founder’s Award.
to Rita Callan and Beverly Houghton for teaching their students, empowering them for their life in the United States.

- Sharon Mullin was the recipient of the Youth Award for her four year commitment to her students.

- Sonia Garcia, and Henry Ramirez received Student Awards for their active participation in classes, representing so many students who take full advantage of the learning experience at One to One Learning.

You can view the 2015 Hands of Hope Journal on line at one2one-learning.org

STAR-FEST VI - A Concert to Benefit One to One Learning, Sunday, September 20 at 4 PM. Delightful music at the foot hills of Hook Mountain on the grounds of Marydell Faith and Life Center. Our Stars are JP Schutz, Bob Mattern, Sue Matsuki, Tommy and Jan Lynch, Carolyn Montgomery, Richard Skipper and other special guests. Mini-Taste of Rockland provided by local restaurants

Rita Callan - Teacher Service Award.