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Powers Honored With Camarena Award

*Dan Powers of the Ohio Elks Association is honored as the
2008 Enrique Camarena Award Winner*

(Columbus, Ohio) Drug-Free Action Alliance is proud to announce that Dan Powers, former Drug Awareness Chairman for the Ohio Elks Association, has been named the 2008 Enrique Camarena Award winner.

Drug-Free Action Alliance established the Enrique Camarena Award in 1993 to recognize individuals who do an outstanding job in the field of alcohol, tobacco and drug prevention.

“Dan clearly understands that youth have a significant influence in preventing substance abuse among their peers and through his passion for prevention he has cultivated youth involvement,” said Drug-Free Action Alliance Assistant Director Marcie Seidel who presented the award to Powers. “The Ohio Elks Association and Dan have shown a great commitment to reducing substance abuse. Dan’s efforts through the years are remarkable.”

Enrique Camarena gave his life as an agent for the Drug Enforcement Administration in an effort to limit the supply of drugs illegally entering the United States. His family and friends wore red ribbons to his memorial service in 1985, which started the National Red Ribbon Celebration that is now held every October 23- 31. The red ribbon symbolizes a commitment to healthy drug free lifestyles, no use of illegal drugs and no illegal use of legal drugs.

Drug-Free Action Alliance is a not-for-profit organization that provides leadership to promote safe and drug free communities throughout Ohio. Programs and initiatives include Know!, “Parents Who Host, Lose The Most: Don’t be a party to teenage drinking”, the Ohio College Initiative to Reduce High-Risk Drinking and the Ohio Red Ribbon Celebration. More information about the agency is available at: www.DrugFreeActionAlliance.org and its Ohio Red Ribbon Celebration website is www.drugfree24-7.org.

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Red Ribbon Celebration

College Initiative to Reduce
High Risk Drinking

Ohio Resource Network
Clearinghouse

Statewide Prevention
Coalition Association

Parents Who Host, Lose The Most:
Don't be a party to teenage drinking

Ohio Center for
Coalition Excellence

Know!

Youth Philanthropy
Council

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