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## Oakland Mediation Center celebrates 25th anniversary

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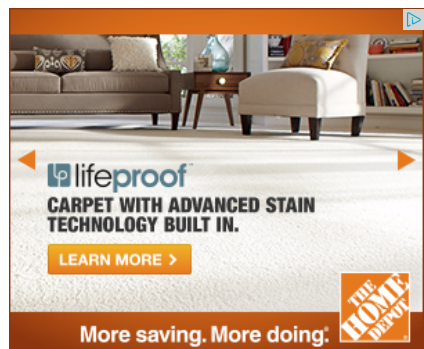
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Oakland Mediation Center celebrates 25 years at a masquerade ball taking place on Friday, Oct. 30 at the Lafayette Grande in Downtown Pontiac.

Awards will be presented to community leaders during the brief program portion with dancing and celebration to follow. The event will begin at 6 p.m. with cocktails, dinner and entertainment taking place before the program.

Marilyn Flam will be receiving an award for her 20 years of dedicated service as a volunteer mediator at OMC. Honorable Joseph Longo, 43rd District Court, will be honored for an innovative pilot mediation program with OMC. Chief Probate Judge Elizabeth Pezzetti is being honored at the Ball for advocating for the use of mediation at OMC in domestic cases. Honoree Judge Julie Nicholson, Chief Judge 52-3 District Court, is being awarded for leading the replication of the Rochester District Court Mediation Program at other 52nd District Courts. Julie McDaniel of Oakland County Schools will be honored because of her partnership with OMC to expand the use of OMC’s programs so youth will be prevented from repeating a grade, dropping out of school and becoming involved in the juvenile justice system. Former Chief Judge of the 46th District Court Stephen Cooper is being honored for 25 years of advocating for use of OMC’s mediation and education services as a long time referring Judge and Board of Trustees member and officer.

For more information about OMC’s “25 Years of Resolution” Masquerade Ball, contact Alexis LaClair at 248-338-4280 ext. 214 or [alacclair@mediation-omc.org](mailto:alacclair@mediation-omc.org) . Visit OMC’s Website at [www.mediation-omc.org/](http://www.mediation-omc.org/) to purchase tickets.



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