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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Donna Booker awarded Fridelle Peterson Award**

**Lewiston, ME (June 2, 2008)** – Donna Booker, a Family Educator with Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care’s Home Based Program, was awarded the Fridelle Peterson Award at Androscoggin Head Start’s recent Employee Wellness Day. The Fridelle Peterson Award is given in memory of Delle Peterson, a sixteen year employee of Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care. Delle was devoted to Head Start’s children and families, and her compassionate and professional delivery of direct services exemplifies the honor of this award. Nominated by her co-workers, and selected by the Peterson Family, Donna was presented her award by Don Peterson, Delle’s husband.

Donna began her association with Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care when her daughter was enrolled at the Washburn School classroom. She volunteered with the Agency in the early 1990’s. In 1999, Donna was hired as the Agency’s permanent substitute and later that year became a Teacher Assistant. She became a Head Teacher in 2001, and in 2003 became a Family Educator for the Home Based Program. While employed with Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care, Donna has obtained an Associate’s Degree in Human Services from the University of Maine at Augusta. Donna currently resides in Lewiston with her partner Gerry, and is the proud grandmother of a 19 month old boy, who attends Androscoggin Head Start’s Early Head Start program.

For more information about Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care, please call 795-4040 or [www.AndroKids.com](http://www.AndroKids.com).

*Photo Attachment: Fridelle Peterson Award winner Donna Booker with Don Peterson.*



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