PARKS Parents Advocating Recreational Kids Stuff Golden Apple Award October 20, 2008

Members of Parents Advocating Recreational Kids Stuff believe every child deserves a playground that engages muscles and minds, and that every child deserves to live in a community that will build one for them. PARKS made sure Seward kids had both those opportunities.

The PARKS group raised more than \$250,000 to design, order and install an elaborate community playground where kids can enjoy safe, healthy recreation and the knowledge that their community wants the best for them.

PARKS coordinated with more than 350 volunteers, businesses, government agencies and community organizations to raise money for the playground, and the marathon six-day building session it took to install the equipment in May.

Chris Murphy, president of the Seward PTSA, said, "The Seward Community Playground is the wonderful sticks and stones product of the PARKS group. Some might say the most important product is their inspiring example of what a grassroots group can accomplish by collaborating with our entire community."

We, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education, are proud to recognize the members of Parents Advocating Recreational Kids Stuff for their dedication to Seward families by giving the community a chance to show that great playgrounds build great kids.