

Diarbian earns Rotary service award

WOONSOCKET - Harout "Harry" Diarbian was presented the Vocational Service Award by the Rotary Club of Woonsocket.

He will be honored at a dinner on Thursday, April 16, at the Bocce Club, St. Louis Avenue, starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are available by calling Robert Picard at 762-1826.

Diarbian is supervisor of shelter and transitional support services for Family Resources Community Action, where he started working in 1993 as a



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transitional case worker. He also served as senior case manager there. Diarbian has received numerous awards for his work, includ-

ing the Paul Dempster award, Doris O'Brien award, and John Cohen award.

Diarbian was born in Lebanon in 1967 and in 1983 immigrated to the United States

and settled in Providence. In 1986 he graduated from high school and went to work full-time in a factory, before he realized that he wanted to do work that would involve helping others. In 1988, he enrolled at the Community College of Rhode Island and started as an intake worker at a shelter. He graduated from Rhode Island College in 1993 with a degree in sociology.

He is married to Christine. They have twin sons, Aram and Aleksander.