# Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations

71st Citizen of the Year Awards Banquet

Sunday, May 7, 2023

Springfield Golf & Country Club 8301 Old Keene Mill Rd Springfield, Virginia

### Program

Welcome and Introductions

Bill Barfield

Past President

Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations

Sridhar Ganesan President Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations

#### Dinner

### Awards

Presentation of 2021 Citation of Merit to
Paula Lettice

Presentation of 2022 Citation of Merit to **Linda Moore** 

Michele Menapace

### Presentation of 2022 Special Gratitude Award to Peter F. Murphy

Recognition of the 2019 Citizen of the Year **Lisa Sales** 

Recognition of the 2020 Citizen of the Year Paul W. Hammack, Jr.

Presentation of the Fairfax Federation Cup to

Fairfax County 2021 Citizen of the Year John Litzenberger, Jr.

Fairfax County 2022 Citizen of the Year Marco Johnson

All Awardees - Group photos

Concluding Remarks
Bill Barfield



# 2021 CITATION OF MERIT Paula Lettice

Ms. Lettice has been a dedicated volunteer and board member of several organizations here in Fairfax

County for over two decades and is a role model for her community. Since 2020, Paula has served as the President of the Board of Directors for Mount Vernon at Home, a local organization that serves residents aged 55 and over who are choosing to remain in their homes in Mount Vernon as they age and is a part of a national movement of senior Villages. During the pandemic, Ms. Lettice has been a true leader for the organization, helping shift their fundraising efforts to virtual events, while still utilizing local businesses.

Prior to this, Ms. Lettice has been a tireless advocate, fundraiser, and volunteer for Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services. She served on the Board of Directors for over six years during 2002 and 2014. As treasurer, she was instrumental in the adoption of the 2011 five-year strategic plan creating a strong foundation for its long-term financial sustainability. She continues to broaden awareness of the organization's affordable housing mission. Ms. Lettice has also spent several years volunteering for the Campagna Center, an organization whose mission is to deliver exceptional educational and social development programs for children, teens, and adults including early childhood education, health and nutrition awareness, before and after-school programs, tutoring and mentoring, career, and college readiness planning, and classes for English language learners.

Ms. Lettice purchased her home and moved to Fairfax County in late 1988 with 2 sons, and has been an active resident of the Southwood community ever since.

For her many and diverse volunteer efforts making a difference in the lives of our Fairfax County children and seniors, the Fairfax Federation is honored to recognize Paula Lettice with the

2021 CITATION OF MERIT



# 2022 CITATION OF MERIT Linda Moore

Linda Moore has the perfect name personality for volunteering! Linda in Spanish means beautiful and no

matter what task you give her, Linda always seems to do things beautifully, with a fantastic attitude, and a willingness to take on more, (Pun Intended). Linda serving as both a roll up the sleeves volunteer and a leader, has worked with Volunteer Solutions for more than seven years in the Reston, Herndon, Falls Church, and Chantilly areas.

Linda devoted 50 hours in one month alone to a client who has hoarding disorder. She has been very involved with the Medical Reserve Corps & Fairfax County Department of transportation events as a volunteer. Linda cares about all of her community members regardless of their age or challenge. She has worked for four years with another group within the Department of Family Services, DSVS, helping them bring attention and awareness to the issues of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, and human trafficking. In her volunteer role with DSVS, Linda served as a community ambassador and assisted in special events such as the Walk to End Sexual Violence and assembling sensory kits for those impacted by these issues. Even though the work of DSVS often comes with tough emotions to bear, Linda always served the community with a warm and approachable demeanor.

Linda Moore has dedicated years of time to the service of the elderly, emotionally and socially challenged adults, domestic and sexual violence, much of the time resolving issues in a multitask environment. Willing to tackle unpleasant issues Linda Moore exemplifies courage in volunteering and serves as a role model for others.

For her many volunteer efforts in caring for and serving community members, the Fairfax Federation is honored to recognize Linda Moore with the

**2022 CITATION OF MERIT** 



# 2022 CITATION OF MERIT Michele Menapace

Michele Menapace has been serving Fairfax communities for over a dozen years. She has served on

the Human Services Council advising the Board of Supervisors on budgetary matters. As well, she helps ensure that federal Community Service Block Grants are efficiently spent on the needs of people living in poverty via her appointment to the Community Action Advisory Board. Over the years, Michele has served on numerous other county boards.

During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, she sewed and donated over 250 safety masks to county residents and created another 100 mask for distribution to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, many specially designed for Native American children. Michele collected and delivered leftover produce from farmers' markets in support of nonprofit organizations working to address food insecurity.

Michele's commitment to community is evidenced by her thoughtful ways and countless volunteer hours dedicated to improving the lives of our less fortunate Fairfax County residents.

For her many and diverse volunteer contributions to the well-being of Fairfax and National communities, the Fairfax Federation is honored to recognize Michele Menapace with the

**2022 CITATION OF MERIT** 



### 2022 Special Gratitude Award Peter F. "Pete" Murphy

Commissioner Peter F. "Pete" Murphy has been an active member of the community for many decades. In

1982, Pete was appointed to the Planning Commission by the Board of Supervisors, serving as its Chairman since 1989. During this time, he played a critical role in transforming the County from a sleepy bedroom community to the economic powerhouse it is today. He has been a leader in land use policy in Fairfax County as we know it from Springfield District cases like Fairfax Corner and Fair Lakes to countywide cases like the Tysons Plan.

His leadership is one of the critical elements that has enabled Fairfax County's development success. While he will remain on the Planning Commission and continue to serve our constituents, he stepped down as Chairman after 34 years.

His dedication and commitment to public service includes service and leadership roles on many task forces and committees, including being the Honorary Chief of the Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department and Celebrate Fairfax.

Pete has received multiple accolades from the community and the Board of Supervisors, including the Department of the Army Commander's Award for Public Service, the Kate Hanley Public Service Award, the Fairfax County Volunteer of the Year award in the Community Leader category, Federation's 2012 Citizen of the Year, and was named Lord Fairfax for the Springfield District. He is respected and appreciated by Supervisor Herrity, staff, the Planning Commission, the Board, land use applicants and attorneys, residents, and all those who have been fortunate to work alongside him.

For his many and diverse efforts and service to the Planning Commission and Fairfax County, and on the occasion of his retirement from Chairman of the Commission, the Fairfax Federation is honored to recognize Pete Murphy with the

2022 SPECIAL GRATITUDE AWARD



# John Litzenberger, Jr.

John Litzenberger sets an outstanding example of civic participation, with a diverse spectrum of contributions

to Fairfax County. John is a graduate of Syracuse University, with a master's degree from the University of Southern California. He is a former Air Force colonel, also retired from the federal government, and currently an aviation consultant in litigation matters.

John served on the Fairfax County Planning Commission from 2007 to 2015 as the Sully District commissioner, and a member of its Housing Committee and Capital Improvement Committee. He previously served on the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority for four years. John has been active in local land use committees and task forces for over 40 years, going back to the Centreville Core Study in 1982. He currently is cochair of the Joint Land Use Committee of the Sully District Council and the West Fairfax County Citizens Association, reviewing land use applications and ordinance changes.

John also has served on the Virginia Run Community Association Board of Trustees, and chaired several committees of the Centreville United Methodist Church. He coached youth sports and high school lacrosse for 14 years at both Centreville and Westfield High Schools, and also coached with both Chantilly Youth Association and Southwestern Youth Association.

His volunteer service has been recognized multiple times previously, including Sully District Volunteer of the Year in 2007, and Lord Fairfax in 1987. He lives in the Virginia Run community with his wife Barbara

For his sustained and dedicated volunteer work on behalf of our community land use and for his outstanding efforts aimed at making Fairfax County a wonderful place to live and work, the Fairfax Federation is honored to recognize John Litzenberger with the

#### **2021 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**



# 2022 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR Marco Johnson

Marco Johnson has been an outstanding and dedicated leader and an expert in emergency preparedness for

Fairfax County. In volunteer roles, as leader and champion and a volunteer trainer, Marco has worked with County government leaders and citizens across the county leading county teams, multi-county teams and integrated state teams for the Emergency Management Volunteer Corps, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and the American Red Cross in developing and implementing disaster preparedness programs. Mr. Johnson has represented the county public health department, the Fairfax County Citizen Corp Council, and outstanding public health leaders at all levels in designing and implementing County emergency awareness programs and projects to respond to emergency vulnerabilities.

Marco Johnson has given thousands of hours of his time, including his time recently as a volunteer with the Medical Reserve Corps during the COVID 19 pandemic, to assist the county, older adults, and people with functional needs. He has volunteered as a shelter manager in California during the horrific wildfires of 2018 and in the rebuilding effort in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Johnson with his example of meeting community needs and as team builder of Fairfax County emergency response preparedness initiatives serving Fairfax County has earned the respect of his colleagues for his tireless efforts and deserves our thanks.

Mr. Johnson was born in Washington DC and has lived abroad in his youth. He is an alum of American University and a self-trained arborist on native Virginia plants and contributes time and energy to the ecosystem conservation of animal and plant habitats.

For his dedication to the community and especially for his outstanding volunteer work in support of emergency preparedness for Fairfax County, the Fairfax Federation is honored to recognize Marco Johnson with the

**2022 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR** 

### Previous Award Recipients

(COY honorees are the first name at each year. Citation of Merit honorees follow.)

1950	Harold Ward	1976	William Hart	1989	J. Knox Singleton
1951	David Lawrence		Norman Cole		Judi S. Booe
1952	Arthur Bissel	1977	Vivian Watts		Embrey Rucker
1953	Charles Platt	1978	Gerald Hopkin		Suzanne Conrad
1954	Joseph Freehill		Omer Hirst	1990	James Scott
1955	Warren Quenstedt	1979	James Goins		Jarold Kieffer
1956	Dr. Harold Kennedy		Max K. Hinds		Norma Hoffman
1957	Nan Netherton		Joseph T. Flakne		Mary Nightlinger
1958	Frank Watters	1980	John Lynch	1991	George Barker
1959	Jeannette Smith		Louis Guy		Harry Doyle, Jr.
1960	William Perlik		Alton C. Hlavin		Shirley O. Nelson
1961	Omer Hirst	1981	Carrington Williams		Mary Lee DiSpirito
1962	William Loving		Pat Watt	1992	Kathryn MacLane
1963	Ira Gabrielson		Maya Huber		Les Dorson
1964	Beatrice Fiks	1982	Mary Grace Lintz		Sharon Kelso
1965	Walter Kurylo		Toni Winters McMahon	1993	Dr. Richard Ernst
	Fred Morin		Marty Tredwell		Tom Grubisich
1966	Connie Johnson	1983	Eleanor Kennedy		Jinx Hazel
1967	Mr & Mrs. Fred Ruffing		Michael Horwatt		Jacqueline dcMoras
1968	Harriet Hunt		James & Meg Pickford	Rosen	
1969	William Morrill		Barbara Shanahan	1994	Martha Glennan
1970	Elizabeth Hartwell	1984	Toni Winters McMahon		Marilyn Gould
1971	Louise Palmer		Barbara J. Fried		Kay Brooks
	Sara Lahr		Jean R. Packard	1995	Edward H. Bersoff
	Carlton Massey	1985	Jean R. Packard		Jerry Corbin
1972	Carl Zimmer		William Bestimt		Margaret Goralski
	Allison Brown, Jr.		Marie T. Lewis		Kenton Pattie
	Gay Metzger	1986	James Rees		Connie Houston
	Blythe Persil		Kevin Bell		Laura McDowall
1973	William & Polly Houston		Sally B. Ormsby	Special	Gratitude Award
1974	Sidney Holland	1987	Barbara Shanahan		Nan & Ross Netherton
	Zoning Ordinance		Eleanor Duffield	1996	Lilyan Spero
	Commission		Joseph Annunziata		Alan E. Mayer
1975	Laura McDowall	1988	Philip Reilly		Aubrey D. Tarkington
	S. John Davis		Marlene W. Blum		
	Lilla Richards		Frederick M. Crabtree		
			Caren Shumaker		

1997	Minerva Wilson Andrews	2009	M.L. Clark Tyler	2015	Olga Hernandez
1337	Mildred Corbin	2003	Harrison A. Glasgow	2013	Doug Sanderson
	Shirley O. Nelson		James B. Southworth		Jim Hart
	Thomas E. Waldrop		Andrew Tener		Phil Rosenthal
1998	Gerald T. Halpin	2010	Mollie Morison Loeffler		Shirley Ginwright
1330	Louise L. Meade	2010	Dr. Charles Dane	Special	Gratitude Award
	Lawrence V. Fowler	Special		Special	Sally Sibley
1999	Robert G. Hunt	Special Gratitude Awards		2016	
1999			Anthony H. Griffin	2016	Joseph Chudzik
	Celestino Beltrain	2011	William D. Leco		Cheryl Ellsworth
2000	Queenie Cox	2011	Walter Alcorn		Emily McCoy
2000	Glenn & Betty Stroup		Ellie Ashford		Ken Balbuena
	Richard Bliss		Corazon Sandoval Foley	2017	Gary Ambrose
	Warren Cikins		Terrill D. Maynard		Barbara Lippa
	Norma Hoffman	Specia	l Gratitude Award		Lyle "Chet" McLaren
2001	Frank de la Fe		Suzanne F. Harsel		Richard Raines
	Michael Anzilotti	2012	Peter Murphy	Special	Gratitude Award
	Charles Creighton		Rose Chu		Earl Flanagan
2002	Mary Anne Lecos		Phyllis Payne	2018	Catherine Ledec
	Linda Bestimt	Lifetime Achievement /			Alberto Figueiredo-
	William P. Niedringhaus	Special Gratitude Award			Sangiorgio
	Occoquan Watershed		Katherine Hanley		Tania Hossain
	Task Force	Specia	l Gratitude Award	Special	Gratitude Award
2003	Charles A. Veatch, II		Kyle Talente		John F. Ribble
	Joseph L. Ritchey	2013	Janyce Hedetniemi	2019	Lisa Sales
Special Gratitude Award			Tena Bluhm		Dorothy Keenan
	Judith Mueller		Kathy Kaplan		Holly Seibold
2004	Dr. G. Ray Worley	Specia	l Gratitude Awards	Special	Gratitude Award
	Jennifer Cooper		Jim Moran		Cathy Hudgins
	Merrily Pierce		Jim Scott		John Cook
2005	Marlene Blum		Frank Wolf		Linda Smyth
	Bill and Janie Strauss	2014	Michael O'Reilly	Lifetim	e Achievement /
Special Gratitude Award			Connie Hartke	Special	Gratitude Award
	C. Lee Fifer, Jr		Bruce Wright		Sharon Bulova
2006	Sally B. Ormsby	Specia	l Gratitude Awards	2020	Paul W. Hammack, Jr
	Lee A. Rau		Mike Frey		Lance Beets
2007	John Horesji		Gerry Hyland		JoEllan Frasch
2008	Anne A. Andrews	Lifetime Achievement /			James T. Migliaccio
	Linda Byrne	Specia	l Gratitude Award	Jeff Parnes	
	Christine Morin	-	Mary Agee		
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#### Special Thanks

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