

2014 ASPIRE Annual Community Leadership Awards

Wes Adams

Greater Severna Park Council

GSPC nominates community leader Wes Adams for the ASPIRE Leadership Award. Wes has served two terms as a GSPC Board member, currently serving as Secretary. We appreciate his accurate minutes and attention to detail but even more we value his keen insights pertaining to all matters impacting our community. In his work life, Wes is a career prosecutor, currently the Chief of Homicide Prosecution in Prince George's County. Still, he finds the time to serve our young, through advocacy for our schools and through the Green Hornets, where he has coached six football and seven baseball seasons. He and his wife Kristin have three children.

Nadine Jacobs

Kiwanis Club of Severna Park

The Kiwanis Club of Severna Park would like to recognize Nadine Jacobs as a key community leader this year. Nadine is driven and passionate about service to the Kiwanis group and to Severna Park. She has started two new programs this year: A Child Safety Day Fair and an Anne Arundel Community College Circle K International (CKI) Club for college students, and continues to be busy with our Key Clubs at Severna Park and North County High Schools. She leads projects for SPAN holiday baskets and is planning a "Kids in Car Seats" day. She is an active member of her Synagogue and works full-time as a Registered Nurse. All around, Nadine Jacobs truly embodies the Kiwanis spirit of local service and leadership.

Kelly Kalinowski

Magothy River Association

Kelly Kalinowski has been nominated by the Magothy River Association for the ASPIRE Leadership Award for her efforts at Beachwood Park in Pasadena. Kelly joined the MRA in 2009 and helped to form the subcommittee, Friends of Beachwood Park. This group is dedicated to restoring and improving the park, sharing its history, and establishing marked trails for education, kayaking, and other recreational activities on the Magothy River. A nature trail has been created, benches have been built and a parking area established, while maintaining the natural setting. Kelly will continue to work on the park with hopes that all who enjoy it will do what is needed for the park and for the Magothy River.

Ted Mathison**SPAN (Serving People Across Neighborhoods)**

Ted Mathison first came to SPAN as a pantry worker in 2005. In 2006 he became President of the Board due to his well-known administrative talents. During his four years Ted guided SPAN into the 21st century. Responding to the 2002 Sarbanes-Oxley Act and working with Maryland Non-Profits, Ted and his committee tied loose ends together by updating and formalizing SPAN's structure, policies and procedures. In 2012-2014 Ted managed a challenging and complex reinvention of the SPAN building – construction of a new addition and major alterations to bring the house to code. Again, his expertise and dedication made it happen!

Gladney and Bob McKay**Partners in Care**

For 17 years, Gladney McKay coached the Masters Swim Team, an adult swim team for fitness and competition. She also coached Chartridge and St. Andrews summer swim teams and worked in the "Drown-proofing" program at Arlington Echo for children from 78 schools. Bob McKay for many years has been involved in Severna Park Kiwanis, now as Treasurer and previously as President and Vice-President. Everyone at Partners in Care (PIC) says it was their lucky day when Gladney joined PIC to manage the PIC resale boutique that helps fund transportation, repairs and advocacy for hundreds of area older adults every year. Bob often joins her there on weekends, volunteering his time, and Carl and Max often join their parents as volunteers as well. Congratulations and thanks to the wonderful McKay family!

Rick Sutton Greater Severna Park and Arnold Chamber of Commerce

Rick Sutton has been active in the Greater Severna Park and Arnold Chamber of Commerce for the past eight years and served as president in 2010. He is now Co-Chair of the Chamber's Business Development Program which keeps members updated on business initiatives and development in the area, including the Business Beautification Awards Program. The Chamber's Annual 4th of July Parade is Rick's favorite event, and you can find him volunteering there. He is employed by the Bank of Glen Burnie as a commercial loan officer where he has been a lending advocate for multiple local non-profits that provide housing and other services to the developmentally disabled. Prior to the Chamber, he was active in the Maryland Jaycees where his Chapter ran a bicycle clinic for athletes during the Special Olympic Games.

Rhonda Toney**Chartwell Community Association**

Rhonda Toney has been a resident of Chartwell since 2000. She earned her pharmacy degree at Duquesne University where she was instrumental in developing the first fitness, health and wellness classes and programs at Duquesne's AJ Palumbo Center. Rhonda has been a leader in planning and organizing health and fitness events, tennis programs, tournaments and festivals throughout the community of Chartwell and in Anne Arundel County. Her passion for enriching the lives of women and families and her vision for a healthier Anne Arundel County deserve recognition. It is with pride that the Chartwell Community Association nominates Rhonda Toney for the Aspire Community Leadership Award.