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## Recap: Leadership Arlington's Leadership Legacy Awards

**Arlington, VA** - Leadership Arlington gathered more than 200 guests to honor Leadership Arlington's graduating Signature Program Class of 2014 and recognize this year's Leadership Legacy Award recipients. The event was held at The Westin Arlington Gateway on Wednesday, May 21.

Annually, Leadership Arlington recognizes outstanding community leaders who promote leadership in numerous ways. Award recipients are as follows:

- **Ethics Award:** [Randy Anderson](#)
- **Community Impact Award:** [Rich Doud](#)
- **Nonprofit Award:** [A-SPAN](#)

Each recipient acknowledged sources of leadership in their lives and applauded Leadership Arlington's impact on the community. Randy Anderson, recipient of the Ethics Award, noted, "Ethics are the core of what Leadership Arlington stands for and brings to the community. I'm glad to be a part of this organization."

Kathy Sibert, Executive Director of A-SPAN, accepted the Nonprofit Award on behalf of her organization. A-SPAN has many exciting projects ahead for the coming year thanks to the help of many volunteers and supporters. Sibert mentioned her strong beliefs in Leadership Arlington and its abilities to help make our community better. "Leadership Arlington is really a partner in your life," Sibert shared with the Signature Program Class of 2014 soon-to-be graduates. "Once you graduate, you are more aware of all the opportunities open to you - not only in the programs, but also in the Leadership Center for Excellence."



**Betsy Frantz, Randy Anderson, Ted Bilich**



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Signature Program inaugural Class of 1999, he advised all graduates to cherish the "great times, great memories and lasting friendships."

The evening continued as the Leadership Arlington Signature Program Class of 2014 was welcomed to Leadership Arlington's membership of over 1,000 community leaders. Speaking on behalf of the [Class of 2014](#) was Greg Hamilton, President/Publisher of *Arlington Magazine*. After sharing details of his experience in the class, Hamilton turned to his fellow Class of 2014 classmates to call for action. "It's our turn to step up and make Arlington a better community. We are the new generation of leaders."



**Greg Hamilton**

The evening ended with the Class of 2014 presenting a scholarship fund donation to Leadership Arlington. Kathy Fong, Realtor at Keller Willaism Realty, represented the Class of 2014 as she presented a check for \$6,300 to the organization. "Leadership Arlington is not like something you've ever participated in before in your lifetime." The scholarship donations will help others be able to experience the program as well.



**Betsy Frantz, Rich Doud, Ted Bilich**

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