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Recap: Leadership Legacy Awards

Arlington, VA - Leadership Center for Excellence welcomed guests to honor Leadership Arlington's graduating Class of 2017 and recognized this year's Leadership Legacy Award recipients. The event was held at Army Navy Country Club on Wednesday, May 24.

"Tonight we celebrate leadership in our community," said Betsy Frantz, President & CEO of Leadership Center for Excellence, as she welcomed guests to the event.

Annually, Leadership Center for Excellence recognizes outstanding community leaders who promote meaningful leadership in thought and action. Award recipients are as follows:

- **Ethics Award:** John J. Brough, Chain Bridge Bank
- **Community Impact Award:** HITT Contracting
- **Nonprofit Award:** YMCA Arlington
- **Volunteer Arlington Award:** Melissa Kenney, Doorways for Women and Families

John J. Brough, Chief Executive Officer of Chain Bridge Bank, N.A., received the first Leadership Legacy Award of the night; the Ethics Award. This award was sponsored by previous Ethic Award winner Dominion Energy. Mr. Brough gave leadership advice to the audience and the graduating Leadership Arlington Class of 2017. "You will do well if you do well by others," said Brough.

Katie Rothenberg, Director, Sustainable Construction & Corporate Responsibility at HITT Contracting, accepted the Community Impact Award on behalf of the organization. "We couldn't have gotten where we are today," said Rothenberg. "Without the support of the local community."



Erik VandePoll, District Executive Director of YMCA Arlington, and Lynda Horvath, Board Chair, accepted the Nonprofit Award, the third of the Leadership Legacy Awards. "Our impact is felt when an individual makes a healthy choice," said VandePoll. "and the community comes together to make an impact."

The final Leadership Legacy Award was a new award this year, the Volunteer Arlington Award. Melissa Kenney, Volunteer Resources Manager for Doorways for Women and Families received this honor. Melissa noted her "never-ending desire to change the world," a phrase which really captured the spirit of the evening.

The event also served as a graduation for the Leadership Arlington Class of 2017. Each graduating member received their certificate and a gift as they walked across the stage. Speaking on behalf of the graduating Class of 2017 was Molly Ketcham of Accenture Federal Services. Ketcham and other members of the class presented a scholarship donation to the Leadership Arlington scholarship fund. The scholarship helps ensure a balanced Leadership Arlington class. The class presented a check for \$4,090.



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