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January Newsletter 2009

CFC Awards & Recognition Event

The 2008 CFC Awards & Recognition event sponsored by GEICO was held on Thursday, January 8th. Agency Unit Awards, Keyworker Recognition, Local and Regional Hero Awards and others were distributed.

More than 90 Federal Employees attended the event, enjoying a light breakfast and much needed hot coffee.

WTAE's Andrew Stockey graciously volunteered his time, and welcomed everyone to the event. Andrew's great personality and high energy made the event a success, complete with prizes, furnished by GEICO, from Home Depot, Macy's, Giant Eagle and others.

Federal employees raised **\$993,371.89** with **4,127** donors. The average gift was \$240.70, an increase of \$30 from last year's campaign.

If we haven't said it enough, we're saying it one more time...thank you to all the 2008 CFC Campaign Managers & Keyworkers! With your hard work and dedication, you have helped thousands of charities continue their mission.

Special thanks to the 2008 Loan Executives who assisted with donor data entry, gift distribution, event support and much more.

Event speakers included U.S. Attorney Mary Beth Buchanan; IRS Territory Manager Ronald Loncharich, 171st ARW PA Air National Guard's Lieutenant Colonel Don Accamando; Judge Joy Flowers Conti; Jane Rahenkamp of the USPS; and Director of VAPHS Terry Gerigk Wolf.

Special thanks to the LFCC, WTAE and GEICO for making the 2008 Awards & Recognition event a success!



James Schrmack (right) of the IRS accepts his hero award at the awards event. Pictured with IRS Territory Manager Ronald Loncharich. For more event photos visit www.3riverscfc.org

Why the name change?

We are happy to announce the merger between 3 Rivers CFC and Pennsylvania West CFC. Our new territory includes:

Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Clarion, Fayette, Forest, Greene, Lawrence, Mercer, Venango, Washington, and Westmoreland Counties in Pennsylvania. Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio and Wetzell Counties in West Virginia. Belmont and Monroe Counties in Ohio.

This will allow you to donate to local charities within our new region and we will work with all federal employees with facilities within the above counties...This is very exciting!

It is hoped that the merger will help reduce campaign costs, raise more funds for charities, allow more charity participation and to satisfy you the donor.

If you have any questions regarding the CFC merger, please contact the 3 Rivers/PA West CFC office at 412-330-7667.

The 3 Rivers/PA West Combined Federal Campaign Bulletin

2008 Local CFC Heroes

Local Heroes are identified as individuals who went above and beyond dedicating their time to the CFC. All federal agencies had the opportunity to nominate an individual for the Local Hero Award. The 2008 winners are:

CIVILIAN

Michael Horvath - U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
James Schrmack - Internal Revenue Service

MILITARY

Major Michael Koma -171st Air Refueling Wing
- PA Air National Guard
Technical Sergeant Brian Stone -
U.S. Air Force 311th Recruiting Squadron

VETERAN'S AFFAIRS

Kaneen Allen- VAPHS
Dave Cowgill - VAPHS

USPS - LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Leslie "Les" Bennett - USPS
Ginette Simpson - USPS

2008 Regional Hero

The Regional Hero Award winner is selected by the LFCC, who will then submit a proposal/application to Washington D.C. Congratulations...

David Cowgill - VAPHS

Meet the Local Federal Coordinating Committee (LFCC)

The LFCC provides oversight for the local campaign in conformance with the CFC regulations and the policies established by OPM.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mary Beth Buchanan
U.S. Attorney for the Western District of PA

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Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Call for CFC Charities

Do you know a charity that would like to become involved with the CFC? If so, please have them visit our website www.3riverscfc.org or call **412-330-7667** to learn how they can apply to be part of the 2009 campaign.

Applications for the 2009 campaign will be available on-line the end of February and the deadline to apply is April 9, 2009. Charities must be a 501c3.