

**Commissioners' Journal**  
**April 23, 2009**

*The Geauga County Board of Commissioners met in session on April 23, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers located at 470 Center Street in Chardon, Ohio.*

*It is declared and determined that all formal actions of the Board of County Commissioners concerning and relating to the adoption of all resolutions that were adopted in this meeting, and that all deliberations of the Board of County Commissioners that resulted in such formal action were open to the public and were in compliance with all legal requirements, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.*

*The President of the Board, William S. Young opened the meeting at 10:04 a.m. by leading the Board and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the minutes for the meeting of April 21, 2009.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**ENGINEER'S OFFICE – ORDER RECONSTRUCTION OF GEORGIA ROAD – PORTION OF SECTION C – MIDDLEFIELD – TITLE SHEET AND SET BID OPENING**

*County Engineer stated this is from Newcomb Road to Chipmunk Road. The final surface is not done on the other end due to the weather but no decision has been made yet to when that will be completed, or it may be all done at once. The final surface will be a SBS polymer which has more resilience to buggy traffic. Commissioner Jemison expressed concern for the trees being cut down. Mr. Phillips reported that they have spoken to most of the homeowners and most are understanding, with just a few exceptions. Commissioner Jemison asked if most of the trees are being cut to which Mr. Phillips replied that it was not most of the trees, but many in the right-of-way but a fair number will be left. Some trees have already been cut off at the top by CEI. Planning Engineer Mike Stone added that this is an Amish section and the people want the three foot wide paved shoulder for safety for walking therefore understand that some of the trees have to go.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 09-066 Ordering the Reconstruction of a Portion of Section C of Georgia Road (CH 40) in Middlefield Township.*

*This resolution also requests the Board approve and execute the title sheet for plans / specifications for the same.*

*Further, the resolution sets a bid opening on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 at 2:10 p.m. Notice of the bid opening will be advertised April 30, 2009 and posted on the county's internet site.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**ENGINEER'S OFFICE – C.I.R. INCORPORATED CONTRACT - REPLACEMENT OF PIONEER ROAD BRIDGE**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a Unit Price Contract with C.I.R. Incorporated for The Replacement of Pioneer Road Bridge (Structure 116-2.93) Project in Huntsburg Township, in the amount of \$139,830.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

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BOARD OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – 2009  
PAVEMENT RENOVATION PROJECT BID OPENING

*Donald L. Rice II, Superintendent Metzenbaum Center reported this project is estimated at \$650,000.00 and the drive is breaking down quickly. Mr. Rice added that this is for the upper section of the drive. They are waiting to see what happens with the bus garage project before deciding to pave that section, as heavy equipment would have to travel on that section. There are underground water problems that will be stabilized with this project.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to grant permission to advertise for bids for the 2009 Pavement Renovation Project at the Metzenbaum Center (8200 Cedar Road) with a bid opening to be held Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Notice of this bid opening will be advertised April 27, 2009 and posted on the county's internet site.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

PLANNING COMMISSION – STONERIDGE OF GEAUGA PLAT SUBDIVISION PHASE II – BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

*Dave Dietrich, Director stated this is a private road that was converted from condo-ownership to sublot ownership with frontage on the existing private road. Commissioner Young questioned if the private road issue will be a problem for new people unfamiliar with the area. Mr. Dietrich responded that the private road language is acknowledged on each deed and that they have private road ownership. Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko asked if being private road meant that the owners have to maintain it themselves. Mr. Dietrich replied that that was correct or a homeowners association is formed to maintain the roads.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the plat of Stoneridge of Geauga Subdivision Phase II in Bainbridge Township.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

DEPARTMENT ON AGING – PROCLAIM MAY 2009 OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute Resolution 09-065 Proclaiming May 2009 as Older Americans Month.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 09-065*  
*Date: April 23, 2009*

**OLDER AMERICANS MONTH**

*WHEREAS, Older Americans Month is observed nationally each May to celebrate the accomplishments of our older citizens and to express gratitude for the contributions they have made, and continue to make, to our communities; and*

*WHEREAS, Geauga County is home to approximately 15,000 older adults; and*

*WHEREAS, seniors in Geauga County and around the state are shrugging off traditional stereotypes about aging; and*

*WHEREAS, Ohioans are living longer, healthier and more active lives than ever; and*

*WHEREAS, seniors today are volunteering, working and learning new skills to share their experiences and knowledge with others, while benefiting themselves;*

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NOW, THEREFORE, we, Geauga County Board of County Commissioners; proclaim May 2009 as Older Americans Month and join the Governor of Ohio and the state's aging network in thanking our senior citizens for reinventing themselves and reinventing aging.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Jemison	Aye
	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – COMFORT SYSTEMS USA SERVICE CONTRACT

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Comfort Systems USA for services to maintain the HVAC system at the Water Resources garage for the 2009 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$1,884.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Jemison	Aye
	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES – SERVICE CONTRACT – THOMA TECHNOLOGIES INCORPORATED

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute a service Contract Agreement with Thoma Technologies Incorporated to perform repairs and calibrations to flow meters and electronic equipment as needed at various locations within the department for the 2009 Year, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Jemison	Aye
	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – HIRE FULL TIME MAINTENANCE WORKER - CHRIS HALL

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve hiring Chris A. Hall for the position of Full-Time Maintenance Worker (#1904) to be effective May 4, 2009 at the rate of \$11.35 per hour. After the successful completion of 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$11.95 per hour.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Jemison	Aye
	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – HIRE FULL TIME MAINTENANCE WORKER - PAUL P. FRANSKO

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve hiring Paul P. Fransko for the position of Full-Time Maintenance Worker (#1904) to be effective May 4, 2009 at the rate of \$11.35 per hour. After the successful completion of 180 day probationary period the rate will increase to \$11.95 per hour.

Roll Call Vote:	Commissioner Jemison	Aye
	Commissioner Samide	Aye
	Commissioner Young	Aye

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – (CIC) 2009 OUTSTANDING GEAUGA COMPANIES

Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the following resolutions honoring the following for being named Outstanding Geauga County Company for 2009 by the Community Improvement Corporation (CIC):

Resolution 09-067 Honoring Saint Gobain Crystals  
Resolution 09-068 Honoring Jay Walker's Café and Catering

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*Resolution 09-069 Honoring Simon DeYoung Corporation*  
*Resolution 09-070 Honoring Just 4 Kids Childcare*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 09-067*  
*Date: April 23, 2009*

**RESOLUTION HONORING SAINT GOBAIN CRYSTALS FOR BEING NAMED AN  
OUTSTANDING GEAUGA COUNTY COMPANY  
FOR 2009 BY THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC)**

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to declare Saint Gobain Crystals as one of four Geauga County Outstanding Companies in 2009 and presents this tribute to its accomplishments, in recognition and admiration for its contributions to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, by acclamation of Geauga County Community Improvement Corporation, Saint Gobain Crystals has been chosen to be honored at the 39th Annual Salute to Business and Industry Dinner; and*

*WHEREAS, the exceptional performance of Saint Gobain Crystals has earned this distinction for itself and its employees; and*

*WHEREAS, Saint Gobain Crystals has set a precedent for other companies to follow by its leadership and excellent standards; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes Saint Gobain Crystals as a 2009 Outstanding Company in Geauga County; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become a part of the permanent record for the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, so signified by the vote of the Board on April 23, 2009.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become part of the permanent record of the Board of Commissioners of Geauga County, Ohio.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 09-068*  
*Date: April 23, 2009*

**RESOLUTION HONORING JAY WALKER'S CAFE AND CATERING FOR BEING  
NAMED AN OUTSTANDING GEAUGA COUNTY COMPANY  
FOR 2009 BY THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC)**

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to declare Jay Walker's Café and Catering as one of four Geauga County Outstanding Companies in 2009 and presents this tribute to its accomplishments, in recognition and admiration for its contributions to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, by acclamation of Geauga County Community Improvement Corporation, Jay Walker's Café and Catering has been chosen to be honored at the 39th Annual Salute to Business and Industry Dinner; and*

*WHEREAS, the exceptional performance of Jay Walker's Café and Catering has earned this distinction for itself and its employees; and*

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*WHEREAS, Jay Walker's Café and Catering has set a precedent for other companies to follow by its leadership and excellent standards; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes Jay Walker's Café and Catering as a 2009 Outstanding Company in Geauga County; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become a part of the permanent record for the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, so signified by the vote of the Board on April 23, 2009.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 09-069*

*Date: April 23, 2009*

**RESOLUTION HONORING SIMON DEYOUNG CORPORATION FOR BEING NAMED  
AN OUTSTANDING GEAUGA COUNTY COMPANY  
FOR 2009 BY THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC)**

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to declare Simon DeYoung Corporation as one of four Geauga County Outstanding Companies in 2009 and presents this tribute to its accomplishments, in recognition and admiration for its contributions to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, by acclamation of Geauga County Community Improvement Corporation, Simon DeYoung Corporation has been chosen to be honored at the 39th Annual Salute to Business and Industry Dinner; and*

*WHEREAS, the exceptional performance of the Simon DeYoung Corporation has earned this distinction for itself and its employees; and*

*WHEREAS, Simon DeYoung Corporation has set a precedent for other companies to follow by its leadership and excellent standards; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes Simon DeYoung Corporation as a 2009 Outstanding Company in Geauga County; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become a part of the permanent record for the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, so signified by the vote of the Board on April 23, 2009.*

*Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio*

*Resolution: 09-070*

*Date: April 23, 2009*

**RESOLUTION HONORING JUST 4 KIDZ CHILD CARE FOR BEING NAMED AN  
OUTSTANDING GEAUGA COUNTY COMPANY  
FOR 2009 BY THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (CIC)**

*WHEREAS, the Geauga County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to declare Just 4 Kidz Child Care as one of four Geauga County Outstanding Companies in 2009 and presents this tribute to its accomplishments, in recognition and admiration for its contributions to the community; and*

*WHEREAS, by acclamation of Geauga County Community Improvement Corporation, Just 4 Kidz Child Care has been chosen to be honored at the 39th Annual Salute to Business and Industry Dinner; and*

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*WHEREAS, the exceptional performance of Just 4 Kidz Child Care has earned this distinction for itself and its employees; and*

*WHEREAS, Just 4 Kidz Child Care has set a precedent for other companies to follow by its leadership and excellent standards; and*

*NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Geauga County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes Just 4 Kidz Child Care as a 2009 Outstanding Company in Geauga County; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution become a part of the permanent record for the Geauga County Board of Commissioners, so signified by the vote of the Board on April 23, 2009.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – WORKERS' COMPENSATION SERVICE AGENCY AGREEMENT – COMPMANAGEMENT INCORPORATED**

*Benefits Coordinator Kathy Hostutler reported that this contract has not increased over last years figures. There is no increase for the unemployment contract either.*

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Workers' Compensation Service Agency Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and CompManagement, Incorporated (a Sedgwick CMS Company) as the Third Party Administrator for Workers' Compensation service effective May 1, 2009 through May 1, 2010, in the amount of \$10,350.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION SERVICE AGENCY AGREEMENT - COMPMANAGEMENT**

*Motion: by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute an Unemployment Compensation Service Agency Agreement between the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and CompManagement, Incorporated (a Sedgwick CMS Company) as the Third Party Administrator for unemployment service effective May 1, 2009 through May 1, 2010 in the amount of \$1,100.00.*

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – CLEVELAND CLINIC: CONCERN - EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) AGREEMENT**

*Ms. Hostutler reported this one year contract has worked out well. There has been a 5% utilization of the program, which is good news but with over of 4% increase in usage comes a slight increase in cost for the program of 3% which is about \$500.00. Ms. Hostutler added that the program is confidential. This year employees have utilized 51 sessions, although they certainly don't know who they are they do have some idea of the issues. Employees are appreciative of the service. Ms. Hostutler added that an office has been opened in Chardon just for county employees. Ms. Hostutler added that the Cleveland Clinic is adding to the services with a kick-off meeting on May 12 which will focus on wellness. Instead of Cleveland Clinic CONCERN: EAP it will be called LEAP – Lifestyle Employee Assistance Program. Commissioner Young commented that the \$15,000.00 is worth the cost if one person could make a significant change in their health or mental standpoint. The cost for one person alone could be well over the \$15,000.00 cost.*

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*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and authorize the President of the Board to execute the Agreement between Cleveland Clinic: CONCERN Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and the Geauga County Board of Commissioners for the period May 1, 2009 through May 1, 2010, in the amount of \$15,771.85.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – METZENBAUM WARRANTY DEED – PURPOSE OF CONSOLIDATING PARCELS

*Mr. Rice stated that this is being required because of zoning as they are crossing boundary lines as they are working towards a new bus garage. A survey with Army Corps of Engineers has been done mostly recently and a wetland review.*

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to approve and execute the Warranty Deed covering Parcels #11-714406, 11-711500 and 11-711600, for the purpose of consolidating these parcels into a single 34.0732 acre parcel, this property consolidation pertains to Metzenbaum in Chester Township.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

LIQUOR LICENSE – SOUTH FRANKLIN CIRCLE – BAINBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to concur with the Bainbridge Township Trustees in not requesting a hearing on the liquor license requested by South Franklin Circle located at 16575 Franklin Street, Bainbridge Township (C NEW 8361425-0010).

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE – ACKNOWLEDGE PUBLIC HEARING

*Motion:* by Commissioner Jemison, seconded by Commissioner Samide to acknowledge the Public hearing in connection with the Maple Hill Drive Improvement and the sanitary sewer district at Gurney School in Chagrin Falls at 7:00 p.m.

<i>Roll Call Vote:</i>	<i>Commissioner Jemison</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Samide</i>	<i>Aye</i>
	<i>Commissioner Young</i>	<i>Aye</i>

OTHER

*Ms. Mia Moore, First Energy Area Manager reported on the electrical safety program that was held last week over three nights with 80 people in attendance. Munson Fire Chief Harchar would like to carry this program out over a two year period. Ms. Moore also stated that CEI will be doing forestry vegetation management in Auburn Township area around the first of May through June.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- a) *A weekly report filed by the County Dog Warden of all dogs seized, impounded, redeemed or destroyed for the week ending February 18, 2009 as required by O.R.C. 955.12.*

MEETINGS

*Thu., 4/23 Public hearing in connection with the Maple Hill Drive Improvement and the sanitary sewer district at Gurney School in Chagrin Falls at 7:00 p.m.*

*Fri., 4/24 United Way Annual meeting at noon at St. Mary's Banquet Room*

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*Tue., 4/28      The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Thu., 4/30      **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***

*April 30<sup>th</sup> through May 3<sup>rd</sup>      Geauga County Maple Festival*

*May 4<sup>th</sup> through May 8<sup>th</sup>      Public Employee Recognition Week*

*Tue., 5/5      The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Tue. 5/5      Public Hearing for the Petition on the Ditch Improvement proposed for Culvert # 299-0.20 located under Kenston Lake Drive in Bainbridge Township May 5, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.*

*Thu., 5/7      The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Fri., 5/8      NOACA Governing Board meeting*

*Tue., 5/12      The Commissioners will hold regular session.*

*Tue., 5/12      Planning Commission meeting*

*Thu., 5/14      **The Regularly scheduled Commissioners' meeting is cancelled.***

*Sat., 5/16      Sunnybrook Reserve dedication in Munson*

***BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, COMMISSIONER YOUNG ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 10:42 A.M.***

*Geauga County Board of Commissioners*

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*Tracy A. Jemison*

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*Mary E. Samide*

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*William S. Young*

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*Claudine Kozenko, Commissioners' Clerk*

*A public hearing in connection with the Maple Hill Drive Improvement and the sanitary sewer district was held at the Gurney School in Chagrin Falls at 7:00 p.m. The Court Reporter's minutes will be available by May 5, 2009. Those in attendance and / or signed in included: Commissioner Young, Commissioner Samide, Commissioner Jemison, Commissioners' Clerk Claudine Kozenko, Mayor Matt Brett, Councilwomen Mary Beth Wolfe, Councilman James Flaiz, Water Resources Director Gus Saikaly, Assistant Sanitary Engineer Gerry Morgan, C Y B Warren, Jack Sutcliffe, Jean and John Krissingner, Lawrence and Connie Ho, Kevin and Cathy Cusack, Trish Gleason, Joe Ferguson, Andy Lustig, Lance Cabil, Joanne Cimorell, Michele Chadwick, R.C. Diedrich, Randi and Bob Grobe, Chris Harmat, Marcia Sutcliffe, Vel Curry, William and Dianne Blair, Anne Hickman, Jean and John Krissingner, Devera Kastner, John and Anne Hickman, Anita Rensel and Joan Demirjean.*