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PRESS RELEASE

Prince William County Walk of Fame Finds a Permanent Home at Lakeside in Tackett's Mill

The PWC Walk of Fame is an installation of granite plaques each representing an individual who is 'locally famous' for his or her extraordinary contribution to the quality of life in Prince William County. Each plaque will be permanently mounted on the grounds of Tackett's Mill in Lake Ridge, along a paved path encircling the manicured lake behind the Fellowship House, off Harbor Drive. A central directory is to be unveiled on Wednesday, August 31, at 2pm outside Safeway at the Tackett's Mill Shopping Center of Lake Ridge, VA. Eight installments will be in place for the unveiling. Community partners in this project are The Clearbrook Foundation a 5019(c)(3) corporation, Tackett's Mill Foundation, New Dominion Choraliers, and the Woodbridge Rotary Club.

This project began in 2000 when Laura Riski, accompanist of the New Dominion Choraliers, envisioned an annual dinner and fundraiser to present what became known as the SerenAid/PWC Walk of Fame Awards. Bill Evans envisioned a traveling display called the Walk of Fame and spear-headed the creation of granite plaques for each recipient. The annual presentation of these one foot square memorials ran from 2002 until 2009 and raised over \$40,000 for local charities. Many of the plaques of the original 19 recipients have been donated back to the Walk of Fame to be part of this new permanent installation. The SerenAid Awards are also being revived after a 7 year hiatus to honor new individuals for future installations. The next award banquet will be held at Old Hickory Golf Club on October 20th, from 5:30-9:30. Current nominees include Senator Charles Colgan and David Brickley, among other distinguished honorees. Tickets are available for \$100 with net proceeds benefitting the arts in Prince William County. Email "PWCWalkofFame@gmail.com" for tickets and more information.

The Prince William County Walk of Fame committee believes this installation will add a sense of contemporary history to our county's colonial past and become an important local attraction. Its permanent home inside Tackett's Mill Center, the county's first mixed-use development is ideal for its covered bridge, authentic grist mill, two fountains, and shaded walking paths.

Regarding future awards, anyone can nominate anyone who is 'locally famous' for contributing in extraordinary ways to the quality of life in Prince William County.

PWC Walk of Fame's community partners:

- *The Clearbrook Foundation* • *Tackett's Mill Foundation*
- *Woodbridge Rotary Club* • *New Dominion Choraliers*

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Anyone can nominate anyone who has given above and beyond to the quality of life in Prince William County by sending a copy of their bio to: D'Andrea Wooten
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Anyone wishing to serve on the Selection Committee, please contact D'Andrea Wooten at 703-509-3786