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# 26th ANNUAL PUBLIC SAFETY VALOR AWARDS



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**This year's Valor Awards  
Ceremony is dedicated in  
loving memory to  
Paramedic Joshua Weissman**

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## PARAMEDIC JOSHUA WEISSMAN 1978 - 2012

Joshua Weissman, 33, died February 9, 2012, as a result of injuries sustained while responding to an emergency as a paramedic with the Alexandria Fire Department. Joshua was born in Ithaca, N.Y. on February 23, 1978. As a child he developed an interest in construction equipment and fire engines. This fascination grew and at 16 Joshua began volunteering with the Cayuga Heights Fire Department. He soon realized his passion for providing emergency medical care. While continuing to gain experience as a volunteer firefighter, Joshua studied at Ithaca College receiving his B.A. in History in 2000.

As a student volunteer, he lived at the fire station. There he met and fell in love with another volunteer, Rebecca Updike. They married in 2005. Joshua served with several ambulance companies including Bangs in Ithaca, N.Y., TLC in Cortland, N.Y., Rural-Metro in Syracuse, N.Y. and the Washington, D.C. Fire Department. At 26, he joined the Alexandria Fire Department where he served for more than seven years. Joshua's peers and supervisors praised his clinical skills and his commitment to those he served. He was known to visit the homes of the individuals and families he helped, to provide comfort after an emergency subsided.

Joshua participated in numerous committees for the department and as an instructor. His former students have expressed enormous respect for his work with some crediting Joshua for changing their lives with his teaching. Joshua's work has been recognized by numerous awards including the Alexandria Jaycees Award in 2011 for his contributions to the Field Training Program for EMS Interns, and the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce Valor Award.

Dedication to his work was equaled only by Joshua's dedication to his beloved wife Rebecca and his family and friends. He was an amazing husband and filled Rebecca's life with so much love and a lifetime of wonderful memories to cherish. Beyond work and family Joshua filled his life with his love of construction equipment, American history, caring for his garden, playing with his most loved cat Nahla and as a proud fan of the New York Rangers, New York Jets and the New York Mets.

He is survived by his loved and loving wife Rebecca; his parents, Edward and Frances Weissman; his brother and sister-in-law Gabriel and Jessica Weissman; and extended family, father and mother-in-law Ronald and Maureen Updike and Rebecca's sisters and brother-in-laws Sarah and Rodney Smith, Michelle Updike and Charles McCreless, Kristin and Steven Pronko and his nephew and niece Trevor and Madison Smith.



## SALUTE TO OUR HEROES

Honoring the members of the Police Department, Sheriff's Office and Fire Department for acts of extraordinary valor.



# EVENT PROGRAM

## **Welcome**

Andrew F. Palmieri, Esq., Chair  
*Alexandria Chamber of Commerce*  
*Saul Ewing, LLP*

## **Presentation of Colors**

Combined Honor Guard

## **National Anthem**

Callie Terrell, Retiree  
*Alexandria Fire Department*

## **Introductions**

John T. Long III, President and CEO  
*Alexandria Chamber of Commerce*  
Christine Candio, CEO  
*INOVA Alexandria Hospital*

## **Moment of Silence for Joshua Weissman**

## **Invocation**

Deputy Sheriff Todd Stubblefield  
*Alexandria Sheriff's Office*

## **Luncheon**

## **Introduction of Narrator**

Tristan Caudron, Chair  
*Valor Awards Committee*  
*Speck-Caudron Investment Group of Wells Fargo Advisors*

## **Narrator and Awards Presentation**

Doug Hill, Chief Meteorologist  
*ABC7/WJLA-TV*

## **Closing Remarks**

John T. Long III

## **Retiring of the Colors**

Combined Honor Guard



## DOUG HILL

Vice President Weather and Chief Meteorologist, ABC7/WJLA-TV



Doug Hill has earned a reputation as one of Washington's most accurate and entertaining weather forecasters. As Vice President, Weather and Chief Meteorologist, he brings nearly 30 years experience to his daily broadcasts on ABC7/WJLA-TV News at 5 and 6.

Hill has been honored with a Washington Emmy Award for broadcast excellence. He has also been awarded the "Seal of Approval" from the American Meteorological Society.

Prior to joining ABC7/WJLA-TV, Hill served for 16 years as Chief Meteorologist for the Washington CBS affiliate. He began his broadcast career in 1978 at WWBT-TV in Richmond, Virginia. In 1980 he made the move to Detroit where he worked for both WDIV-TV and WXYZ-TV, before returning in 1984 to Washington.

Hill attended Towson State College, before he entered the United States Air Force. Most of his four-year tour was spent at Andrews AFB, where he was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal.

After his military service, Doug became a Prince George's County Police Officer where served for six years until Mike Buchanan and John Harter convinced him he could make the unlikely switch from cop to broadcaster. And the rest is history.

A native Marylander, Doug, his wife Mary-Ann and their children, horse, dog and cats live in Calvert County.

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26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
**Public Safety  
Valor Awards**  
CEREMONY

## **Valor Award Descriptions**

### **Gold Medal**

The highest award for valor and heroism. Awarded in cases in which a public safety official knowingly places themselves at risk of death or extreme serious bodily harm in the performance of an official act.

### **Silver Medal**

The second highest award for valor and heroism. Awarded in situations when a public safety official exposes himself/herself to great personal risk in the performance of an official act.

### **Bronze Medal**

Awarded in situations where, during the course of an emergency and at personal risk, a public safety official demonstrates judgment and ingenuity in the performance of his/her duties.

### **Life Saving Award**

To be awarded in recognition of official acts taken in a life-threatening situation where an individual's life is in jeopardy, either medically or physically.

### **Certificate of Valor**

For recognition as a public safety official, for action taken involving personal risk and/or demonstration of judgment in the performance of duty.

# Valor Award Recipients





**Officer Anton Keith  
Lifesaving Award**

## **OFFICER ANTON KEITH**

On the morning of July 20, Officer Anton Keith went to the top level of the Police Department's Avalon Bay parking garage to check on a police cruiser. While there, Officer Keith noticed a young man. He stopped the young man and asked him why he was in the police area of the parking garage. The young man seemed confused and gave vague answers. Officer Keith checked the young man's information with local law enforcement databases. When it was determined that the young man did not have any outstanding warrants, Officer Keith informed him that he was free to leave.

As the young man was leaving, Officer Keith noticed a small stack of his personal items. The young man was heading towards the stack. On top of the stack, Officer Keith saw a folding knife with the blade extended. Officer Keith quickly approached and secured the knife. He asked the young man why he had it with him. The young man's demeanor immediately changed. Without warning, the young man began to run. He ran across the parking lot up onto the ledge. He had one foot and one hand on the wall and was attempting to leap off the parking garage, five stories in the air. Officer Keith sprinted after the young man. He was able to catch the young man and pull him back to safety before he could plunge over the parking garage ledge to the paved parking lot below.

Officer Keith immediately took the young man into custody. A quick check of the young man's personal items revealed a suicide note. The man later told officers he spent all morning looking for a place to jump from. The parking garage was the first place he found. He had been trying to build up the nerve to jump for thirty minutes when Officer Keith found him. As a result of Officer Keith's quick reactions and attention to detail the young man is alive and able to undergo the mental health treatment he needs.



**Officer Joshua Leach**  
**Bronze Medal**



**Officer Frank McGrigg**  
**Bronze Medal**



**Officer Anthony Gorham**  
**Bronze Medal**

**OFFICER JOSHUA LEACH**  
**OFFICER FRANK MCGRIGG**  
**OFFICER ANTHONY GORHAM**

On July 25, officers were dispatched to a call for a mentally ill young man who was becoming increasingly paranoid and aggressive. Officer Joshua Leach, Officer Frank McGrigg and Officer Anthony Gorham, along with CSB Emergency Therapist Gabriel Duer, arrived at the apartment and were greeted by the young man's mother. An assessment of the young man determined that an inpatient psychiatric hospitalization was needed.

Upon hearing this recommendation, the young man became increasingly agitated. He lunged at his mother. Officers prevented him from hurting her. The young man quickly turned and sprinted onto the apartment's fourth floor balcony. Without any hesitation, he jumped. Amazingly, the officers, who had been running after him, were able to catch him in mid-air as his entire body had left the balcony. The officers struggled to bring the young man back onto the balcony as he tried to break loose. They used bed sheets, television cables and whatever else they could find to hold onto him and prevent him from falling. After 15 minutes, officers were finally able to bring the young man back onto the safety of the balcony.

The young man was transported to the hospital to get the help he needed. Had it not been for the swift actions and unwavering determination of Officers Leach, McGrigg and Gorham this incident could have had a far different outcome. Thanks to these officers, the young man survived to get the help he needs.



**Sergeant Michael Kochis**  
**Bronze Medal**

**SERGEANT MICHAEL KOCHIS**  
**OFFICER RYAN WAPLE**  
**OFFICER RAY GOLDEN**  
**OFFICER GUSTAVO PAULINO**

In the early morning hours of October 30, a call for service was dispatched for a domestic violence incident. The caller stated his daughter's boyfriend was armed with a handgun and on the balcony and saying he wanted to kill himself. He stated the young man had been drinking and that he, his daughter and her 19 month-old baby were locked in an upstairs bedroom.



**Officer Ryan Waple**  
**Bronze Medal**

Officer Ryan Waple, Officer Ray Golden and Officer Gustavo Paulino arrived on the scene three minutes after the call went out and began to set up a perimeter outside the front of the building. The apartment faced the front with the balcony in plain view from the parking lot. There was no one on the balcony when officers arrived. Officer Golden retrieved his M4 rifle and took up a position to view the balcony area of the apartment. Additional officers took positions to cover the front and rear of the building.



**Officer Ray Golden**  
**Bronze Medal**

Sergeant Kochis arrived on the scene five minutes later and took a position with other officers near the corner of the front of the building, an area that offered cover and concealment. As he was being briefed on the situation, the dispatcher came over the radio and reported that the suspect was knocking on the locked bedroom door where the victims were hiding. Almost immediately another update stated that the caller said the suspect was banging on the bedroom door and trying to get into the locked room.

Determining that the situation was a possible "active violent incident," Sergeant Kochis advised the officers that they were going to make entry



**Officer Gustavo  
Paulino  
Bronze Medal**

into the apartment to stop the suspect. Sergeant Kochis directed Officer Golden to take the lead position. He directed Officer Waple to kick the door open, if necessary, and Officer Paulino to back Officer Waple and follow him upon entry. Sergeant Kochis took the position of rear guard.

The officers entered the building and set up a formation outside the apartment door. Officer Golden was positioned to the left of the door to provide clearance and cover when the door opened. Officer Waple announced their presence and got no response. Sergeant Kochis directed Officer Waple to kick the door open. Officer Waple kicked the door once, at which point the suspect came up to the door from inside. The suspect said he didn't have the gun and he was trying to open the door. Officers instructed the suspect to back away from the door and get on his knees with his hands behind his head so that the officers could force the door open. Officer Waple was able to open the door after kicking it several times.

Officers entered the apartment and found the suspect inside the living room area, on his knees. A loaded handgun was located in a closet directly next to the door of the locked bedroom. The victims in the bedroom were not harmed, but were crying and upset. The suspect was secured and transported for a mental health evaluation.

This was a dangerous and dynamic incident. The events unfolded quickly and Sergeant Kochis took decisive action when he realized that innocent lives were imminently threatened. Under his direction, the officers entered the residence and safely secured the suspect. Their bravery helped bring the incident to a quick and safe resolution.



**School Crossing  
Guard  
Sheila Richardson  
Lifesaving Award**

## **SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD SHEILA RICHARDSON**

On Thanksgiving Day, November 25, School Crossing Guard (SCG) Sheila Richardson was assigned to work the Thanksgiving Turkey Trot 5 mile race. SCG Richardson was assigned to an intersection along Commonwealth Avenue to provide intersection control for the almost five thousand event participants. Prior to the start of the race, SCG Richardson was approached by Parking Enforcement Officer (PEO) Curtney Taylor who was working an intersection adjacent. PEO Taylor said she was feeling ill, had pains in her chest and needed to leave her assignment. She requested SCG Richardson notify the event supervisor that she would not be able to cover her assignment and she would drive herself home.

SCG Richardson immediately recognized that PEO Taylor was not just ill but in medical distress. She was adamant that PEO Taylor not attempt to drive herself home. Simultaneously, radio traffic was extremely busy in preparation for the start of the race. Unable to get on the radio, SCG Richardson used her personal cell phone to call 911 and get medical assistance started to the area. She had PEO Taylor remain at her location and offered her comfort and support while waiting for medics to arrive. When the radio traffic cleared, SCG Richardson requested that bike medics respond. SCG Richardson is a veteran employee assigned to numerous special events and knew they would be present and close to the area. Within minutes bike medics and an ambulance arrived to the location.

PEO Taylor was treated and transported to Inova Alexandria Hospital. Upon arriving at the hospital PEO Taylor suffered a major heart attack and for a moment had no pulse and no response on the EKG monitoring her vital signs. Hospital staff was able to resuscitate her and return her back to a stable condition. Doctors credited her survival of the heart attack from getting medical attention immediately and being in the presence of trained medical personnel.

Had PEO Taylor driven away the results could have been catastrophic. Thanks to School Crossing Guard Richardson, PEO Taylor is still with us today.



**Sergeant Charles Seckler**  
**Certificate of Valor**



**Officer Patrick Taylor**  
**Certificate of Valor**



**Officer Talek Helmy**  
**Bronze Medal**

**SERGEANT CHARLES SECKLER**  
**OFFICER PATRICK TAYLOR**  
**OFFICER TALEK HELMY**

On the evening of December 25, officers were dispatched to a domestic disturbance. A woman called and said she wanted her estranged husband to leave her home. She said he was on medication and had been drinking. At the time of the call, the husband was in their 25 year-old daughter's bedroom and was refusing to leave.

Sergeant Charles Seckler, Officer Patrick Taylor and Officer Talek Helmy arrived on the scene and were greeted by the woman at the front door. As they entered, Officer Helmy spotted the suspect standing behind the woman in a corner. His eyes were red and bloodshot. The woman repeated that she wanted the suspect to leave her home and he was refusing.

Officer Helmy approached the suspect with Sergeant Seckler and Officer Taylor behind him. As he moved closer, Officer Helmy asked the suspect to tell them his side of the story outside of the residence. The suspect began to move. Sergeant Seckler asked him if he had a weapon. He responded, "yes" and reached for his right back pocket. Sergeant Seckler and Officer Taylor began to draw their weapons. With lightning speed, Officer Helmy, who was closest to the suspect, grabbed the suspect's arm and secured the gun from his pocket. The gun was cleared for safety and was found to be loaded with nine rounds, although none had been fired.

When officers interviewed the suspect, he stated he had come to his estranged wife's house to confront her about a rumor concerning her and another man. He said he had come to, "straighten his family out." The suspect was also on prescription pain medicine known to cause hallucinations when combined with alcohol. As a result of these officers' proactive approach combined with quick thinking and team work, a possible tragedy was prevented.



**Human Resources  
Manager  
George Bernard  
Baldwin  
Lifesaving Award**

## **HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER GEORGE BERNARD BALDWIN**

On Thursday, October 27, Human Resources Manager George Bernard Baldwin was heading home from his shift with the Alexandria Sheriff's Office, south on Indian Head Highway. A black sedan going the opposite direction appeared to lose control and swerved across the median into oncoming traffic, colliding at high speed with several oncoming vehicles.

Once traffic had stopped and it was safe to get out of his vehicle, Mr. Baldwin immediately delegated a nearby driver to call 911 as he ran towards the severely damaged cars. The black car was on fire, and the driver appeared trapped inside.

Mr. Baldwin, realizing the instability of the situation, enlisted the help of several other civilians on the scene to physically extract the driver of the smoking car. Together, they carried the driver off the roadway to a safe distance from the scene.

Mr. Baldwin moved on to assess the condition of the several other drivers involved in the multi-car accident. One female complained of a serious neck injury, and it was determined that she should remain in her vehicle, with supervision.

He determined that the other drivers were stable enough to wait for assistance to arrive.

As first-responders arrived on the scene, Mr. Baldwin cleared a path for them by moving his car from where he had stopped it in those terrifying first few moments, and then briefed the police on the situation. They took over, and cleared him to continue on his original mission that frightening afternoon – picking his daughter up from daycare.



**Deputy Sheriff  
William T. Morgan  
Lifesaving Award**



**Deputy Sheriff  
Brian Mauck  
Lifesaving Award**



**Deputy Sheriff  
Joseph Runquist  
Lifesaving Award**

**DEPUTY SHERIFF WILLIAM T. MORGAN  
DEPUTY SHERIFF BRIAN MAUCK  
DEPUTY SHERIFF JOSEPH RUNQUIST**

On December 31, Deputy Joseph Runquist was on duty at the Alexandria Detention Center. He walked past an occupied cell on the medical ward and noticed that the inmate inside was completely covered with blankets. All Deputy Runquist could see were the inmate's hands, which appeared to be reaching up out of the blankets and twisting as if to tighten something. On further observation, it appeared to him as though the inmate was attempting suicide with a sheet tied to the bed-frame.

Deputy Runquist summoned assistance from Deputy Brian Mauck and Deputy William T. Morgan. They entered the cell and approached the bed. Deputy Mauck shouted the inmate's name several times, attempting to elicit a response. None came. Deputy Mauck physically shook the end of the bed, but still got no response.

Deputy Mauck pulled down the blankets that were covering the figure. The inmate was attempting to asphyxiate herself by tightening a sheet around her neck. The deputies quickly called additional assistance and removed the sheet to increase breathing.

While assistance was on the way, Deputy Mauck continued to talk to the distressed inmate, asking her to squeeze the deputy's hand to demonstrate consciousness. The inmate's eyes were rolled back in her head, she was having difficulty breathing, and her body was shaking.

When medical help arrived, the inmate's condition stabilized and she was put into a suicide smock and monitored on full suicide precautions. Due to the deputies' quick actions her suicide attempt was unsuccessful and she sustained no lingering injury.



**Sheriff Dana Lawhorne  
Bronze Medal**

## **SHERIFF DANA LAWHORNE**

On September 8, the forecast called for potentially severe flooding. Sheriff Dana Lawhorne was monitoring the emergency radio at his home. There was specific concern about Holmes Run Creek in the Eisenhower Valley. After hearing that water on Holmes Run Parkway was rising rapidly, Sheriff Lawhorne left his home and went to the hotel at Mill Road and Eisenhower Avenue where Alexandria police officers were monitoring the situation.

Numerous people were stranded in the Strayer College building as rapidly rising water rushed through the parking lot. While some cars managed to exit safely, several others became trapped. Sheriff Lawhorne and police officers pushed a car out of the way so that others could exit.

Sheriff Lawhorne noticed that a man in a silver car was stranded in rapidly rising water. Firefighters attempted to rescue the man inside but the car became buoyant and floated behind the hotel. Sheriff Lawhorne ran to the other side of the hotel to keep the car in sight. He saw the car float toward him and become lodged, enabling the driver to leave the car and walk to safety.

Sheriff Lawhorne saw another man trapped in an SUV that was caught in a strong current. The entire area now looked like a river, and the water was continuing to rise. Sheriff Lawhorne told the driver to stay in the car and await rescue. Suddenly, the car became buoyant. Within seconds it was picked up by the current and floated rapidly away. It floated under the Eisenhower Avenue overpass and out of sight. Sheriff Lawhorne followed the path of the car, positioning himself in the median on a mound of grass where he used a road sign to maintain his stability in the water. As he caught sight of the car, he instructed the driver to remain in the vehicle and radioed for help. The water continued to rise and was soon at Sheriff Lawhorne's waist level. He remained with the driver, calming him and telling him that help was on the way. The driver attempted to exit the vehicle numerous times. Each time, Sheriff Lawhorne convinced the man it was safer for him in the vehicle. Had he exited, the man would have been quickly swept away in the water's current. After about 15 minutes the fire rescue team arrived and safely removed the driver from the car.

Sheriff Lawhorne cannot swim.

All the following awards are for acts of bravery that occurred during the tremendous storms and heavy flooding on September 8, 2011.



**Captain Charles Davis, Jr.**  
**Lifesaving Award**

**CAPTAIN CHARLES DAVIS, JR.**  
**FIREFIGHTER WARNER SHERMAN**  
**FIREFIGHTER JOHN SILVERWOOD**

While many fire and medical units were engaged in swift-water rescues throughout the city, Captain Charles Davis and Firefighters Warner Sherman and John Silverwood arrived in the 2700 block of Eisenhower Avenue to assist. Several firefighters had already entered the swift-running and rising flood waters to rescue drivers trapped in their vehicles. Captain Davis and his crew arrived with an inflatable boat to assist in the rescue efforts. The boat had been decommissioned by the department because of numerous leaks and other deficiencies. However, due to the gravity of the situation, Captain Davis and Firefighters Sherman and Silverwood deployed the boat into the swift waters in spite of its defects.



**Firefighter Warner Sherman**  
**Lifesaving Award**

The boat immediately began to take on water. The crew continued out on the water, without regard for their own safety, to rescue a man stranded on a small patch of dry land that was fast disappearing in the rising waters. The crew raced out in the leaking boat and brought the man back to dry land. Bailing water out of the boat, they re-entered the flood waters, maneuvering around floating debris and dumpsters towards Strayer University, where 20 people were trapped inside. The firefighters began rescuing the trapped students and bringing them to dry land. As the rescues progressed, water levels began to subside somewhat, and the crew eventually beached their unseaworthy craft and waded into the flood waters to escort the remaining students and faculty to safety.



**Firefighter John Silverwood**  
**Lifesaving Award**

Captain Davis and Firefighters Sherman and Silverwood knew people needed rescuing and knew that their watercraft was not in serviceable condition. Yet they did not hesitate, taking great personal risk to rescue as many people as possible.



**Captain Robert Robinson**  
**Bronze Medal**



**Firefighter John Schaffer**  
**Bronze Medal**



**Firefighter Robert Townsend III**  
**Bronze Medal**

**CAPTAIN ROBERT ROBINSON**  
**FIREFIGHTER JOHN SCHAFFER**  
**FIREFIGHTER ROBERT TOWNSEND III**

At 7:11 p.m., Engine Company 207 was dispatched to a water rescue in the 2700 block of Eisenhower Avenue. As Captain Robert Robinson and Firefighters John Schaffer and Robert Townsend arrived, they discovered that Eisenhower Avenue was completely flooded, with water gushing up from the sewer drains and moving swiftly down the road. Several vehicles were stranded in the flooded roadway, including a DASH bus with only the driver on board.

The crew quickly blocked the roadway with their fire engine to keep other vehicles from entering and began clearing people and cars from the flooded area. The water was rising rapidly, almost 20 feet in a matter of minutes. Two drivers in their vehicles along with the DASH bus driver were still stranded. The three members of the crew waded out to the vehicles and moved the drivers to safety. As the firefighters were returning to the fire truck, the swiftly moving water carried vehicles and debris downstream, trapping Captain Robinson and Firefighters Schaffer and Townsend. The crew climbed onto the roof of their fire truck and radioed for help. Engine 205 responded to their request for assistance, but as the fire truck approached the stranded firefighters in the still rising water, waves of water began hitting their windshield and they had to retreat to higher ground.

An employee at a building across from the firefighters observed Captain Robinson and Firefighters Schaffer and Townsend in trouble and signaled his intention to help them. The

crew threw him a rope, and he secured it to a railing. The crew tied the other end to the fire engine and then pulled themselves along the rope through the rushing water to higher ground. Once out of the rushing water, the crew proceeded without hesitation to assist motorists and occupants of surrounding buildings to safety.

Without the quick actions of Captain Robinson and Firefighters Schaffer and Townsend, several motorists would have been trapped in the swiftly moving waters and carried away.



**Firefighter Michael  
Chandler  
Gold Medal**



**Lieutenant Patrick Lyon  
Silver Medal**



**Firefighter Louis  
Simpson  
Bronze Medal**

**FIREFIGHTER MICHAEL CHANDLER  
LIEUTENANT PATRICK LYON  
FIREFIGHTER LOUIS SIMPSON  
FIREFIGHTER JOSEPH PORCELLI**

At 6:15 pm, Firefighters Michael Chandler, Patrick Lyon, Louis Simpson, and Joseph Porcelli were dispatched in Ladder Truck 208 to assist a person trapped in a car at the flooded intersection of Edsall Road and Winter View Drive. Heavy rains all day had caused streams to fill rapidly with rushing water, overrun their banks, and flood roadways and buildings. Truck 208 arrived on the scene and discovered a vehicle submerged up to its windows in fast-rising water with the elderly driver trapped inside. Unequipped for swift water rescue, the crew quickly formulated a plan.

After putting on their floatation devices, Firefighters Chandler and Simpson moved the ladder truck to the edge of the flood waters. Firefighter Simpson positioned the ladder truck as close as possible to the vehicle and then began to move the aerial ladder toward the car. He angled the ladder down toward the car, placing additional stress on the ladder truck. Firefighter Chandler and Lieutenant Lyon then crawled down the ladder toward the car. The rapidly rising waters caused the car to shift its position, requiring Firefighter Simpson, with assistance on the shore from Firefighter Porcelli, to reposition the ladder several times. The entire time Firefighters Lyon and Chandler were standing unsecured on the moving ladder, 85 feet out over swiftly running water.

Lieutenant Lyon stood on the tip the ladder, holding a safety rope that was attached to Firefighter Chandler, who was climbing down onto the roof of the car. Firefighter Chandler broke through the sunroof with his axe to reach the trapped victim and pulled him from the car.



**Firefighter Joseph  
Porcelli  
Lifesaving Award**

With the vehicle continuing to shift in the swiftly moving currents, Firefighter Simpson, with help from Firefighter Porcelli, repositioned the ladder several times to keep the rescuers in contact with the vehicle. Just as the firefighters got the victim onto the ladder, the car began moving with the current, with Firefighter Chandler still on the roof. At the last moment, he grabbed the ladder and hung on, dangling over the rushing water as the car was swept downstream. Lieutenant Lyon secured the victim on the ladder and then quickly helped Firefighter Chandler onto the ladder.

The three men inched their way back along the ladder to the safety of the fire truck. The victim is alive today due to the valiant efforts of the crew of Truck 208, who demonstrated professionalism and heroism under dangerous conditions.



**Captain Phillip Perry**  
**Gold Medal**



**Firefighter William**  
**Dunleavy**  
**Silver Medal**



**Captain Anthony**  
**Caselana**  
**Lifesaving Award**

**CAPTAIN PHILLIP PERRY**  
**FIREFIGHTER WILLIAM DUNLEAVY**  
**CAPTAIN ANTHONY CASALENA**  
**FIREFIGHTER CHRISTOPHER SMITH**

At about 7:30 pm, the crews of Engine 205, consisting of Captain Phillip Perry and Firefighters William Dunleavy and Rachael Grayson, and Engine 209, consisting of Captain Anthony Caselana, Firefighters Mathew Craig, Michael Dunn, and Christopher Smith, came together to rescue motorists and residents from flooding in the 2700 to 2900 block of Eisenhower Avenue. As swiftly moving flood waters rushed across Eisenhower Avenue and onto Telegraph Road, numerous cars were surrounded by the high water, and others were being swept eastward by the swift currents, trapping their occupants inside. Residents of surrounding buildings were also trapped by the water. These firefighters immediately began to coordinate rescue activities, to treat injuries, and to direct people to higher ground.

The firefighters found two people trapped in their cars, about to be swept away by the rising flood waters. Captain Phillip Perry put on a life jacket secured to a safety line held by Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith and made several attempts to wade through the rushing water to reach the vehicles. At least two times he was forced under water by the currents. With the assistance of Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith, he fought to stand up again and then continued toward the vehicles. Despite several attempts, the speed of the rising water and debris roaring by prevented him from reaching the vehicles before they were carried off in the current, with the occupants still inside. The firefighters then headed further downstream, where they located one of the vehicles. Again, Captain Perry entered the water with the assistance of Dunleavy and Smith. This time he was able to rescue the driver, and both made it back to dry land safely.



**Firefighter  
Christopher Smith  
Lifesaving Award**

After this rescue, the crews regrouped in two teams. Captains Casalena and Perry along with Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith made up the initial rescue crew. Firefighters Craig, Dunn, and Grayson made up the backup crew, monitoring the flood conditions and preparing to assist if the rescue crew got into trouble. The team of Captains Casalena and Perry and Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith moved further downstream to find the second missing vehicle. They located the vehicle with the driver trapped in four feet of water near the Telegraph Road overpass. All four firefighters entered the rushing water to rescue the driver before the vehicle was swept away again. The driver was freed and passed from firefighter to firefighter and onto dry land.

The team of Captains Casalena and Perry and Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith then proceeded to Telegraph Road, where they found five more people trapped in their vehicles in swiftly moving water under the Beltway. That location was part of the Telegraph Road construction project and was littered with submerged construction material and debris, some of which had broken loose and was being carried rapidly downstream. With the water still rising, the team began another set of rescues. Captains Casalena and Perry and Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith all entered the dangerous waters to rescue the trapped motorists. Captain Perry lead the rescue with Captain Casalena and Firefighters Dunleavy and Smith as backup. During this operation, Firefighter Dunleavy stepped into a submerged hole and was pulled under the rushing water. Firefighter Smith immediately went to his aid. Firefighter Dunleavy surfaced and then headed for a concrete construction wall, where he was joined by Firefighter Smith who assisted him to safety.

The team regrouped and rescued the remaining motorists from the water that was carrying vehicles, heavy dumpsters, and other large debris in its path toward the Potomac River.

Eight people were brought to safety by firefighters working without proper equipment or training in swift-water rescues. Thanks to their dedication and determination to do whatever was needed to bring people to safety, no one was injured or killed in this incident.

# PREVIOUS WINNERS

## Gold Medal Winners

- 2008 - Animal Control Officer Pete Fitzgerald
- 2008 - Officer Patrick Gittlesohn, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Nick Lion, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Thomas Meehan, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer John Saitta, Police Department
- 2007 - Officer Shawn Adcock, Police Department
- 2007 - Sergeant Dennis Andreas, Police Department
- 2007 - Officer Stephen Parker, Police Department
- 2007 - Officer Douglass Serven, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Martin Hoffmaster, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Francis Powers, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Steven Pagach, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Brian Fromm, Police Department
- 2005 - Firefighter Kristina Earley, Fire Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Michael Ambrose, Fire Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Michael Chandler, Fire Department
- 2004 - Captain Mark Dalton, Fire Department
- 2004 - Deputy Police Chief Joseph Hilleary, Police Department
- 2004 - Firefighter David Lukes, Fire Department
- 2003 - Lieutenant Wayne Bryant, Police Department
- 2003 - Police Officer Nancy Everard, Police Department
- 2003 - Police Officer Numa Landry, Police Department
- 2002 - Paramedic Michael Cahill, Fire Department
- 2001 - Police Sergeant Donald Green, Police Department
- 2001 - Police Officer Seth Weinstein, Police Department
- 2001 - Lieutenant Michael Cross, Fire Department
- 1989 - Corporal Charles W. Hill, Police Department (Posthumously)
- 1989 - Officer Andrew M. Chelchowski, Police Department
- 1986 - Lieutenant John T. Locke, Fire Department



## PREVIOUS WINNERS (continued)

### Silver Medal Winners

- 2011 - Deputy Sheriff Taneka King, Office of Sheriff
- 2011 - K-9 Officer Carlos Rolon and "Ajax", Police Department
- 2009 - Officer Kyle Russel, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Christopher Ashcraft, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Gregory Holden, Police Department
- 2008 - Firefighter David Denardo, Fire Department
- 2008 - Captain Phil Perry, Fire Department
- 2008 - Firefighter Gregory Nichols, Fire Department
- 2008 - Firefighter Kenneth Salfelder, Fire Department
- 2008 - Deputy Sheriff John Triplett, Office of Sheriff
- 2007 - Officer Brian Fromm, Police Department
- 2007 - Officer Kim Hendrick, Police Department
- 2007 - Captain Darryl Klopp, Police Department
- 2007 - Officer Peter Feltham, Police Department
- 2007 - Detective Victor Ignacio, Police Department
- 2007 - Officer Michael Nugent, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Mark D. Petersen, Police Department
- 2006 - Detective Venus Roman, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Terri D. Mucci, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Anton D. Keith, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Patrick M. Lennon, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Richard Harrell, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Kevin Jobe, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Tara May, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Todd Branson, Police Department
- 2005 - Firefighter Thomas Wheatley, Fire Department
- 2005 - Captain Rodney Masser, Fire Department
- 2004 - Captain Douglas McDaniel, Fire Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Michael Sharpe, Fire Department
- 2003 - Police Officer Jeffrey Ash, Police Department
- 2003 - Sergeant Steven Carr, Police Department
- 2003 - Deputy Sheriff John O'Hara, Office of Sheriff
- 2003 - Sergeant Janice Parker, Office of Sheriff
- 2003 - Police Officer Douglass Serven, Police Department
- 2003 - Investigator Ned Thompson, Police Department
- 2003 - Police Officer Seth Weinstein, Police Department
- 2002 - Officer Peter Laboy, Police Department
- 2002 - Officer Luis Torres, Police Department

## PREVIOUS WINNERS (continued)

### Bronze Medal Winners

- 2011 - K-9 Officer Kim Hendrick and "Max", Police Department
- 2011 - Officer Michael Nugent, Police Department
- 2011 - Officer Richard Magnum, Police Department
- 2011 - Investigator Brett McCabe, Police Department
- 2011 - Investigator Charles Young, Police Department
- 2011 - Sergeant Christopher Flood, Police Department
- 2011 - Officer Humberto "Alex" Trapero, Police Department
- 2011 - Firefighter James Taylor, Fire Department
- 2009 - Officer Aaron Fisher, Police Department
- 2008 - Lieutenant James Bartlett, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Thomas Ground, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Steven Pagach, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Patrick Taylor, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Ryan Wells, Police Department
- 2008 - Battalion Chief Joseph Hoffmaster, Fire Department
- 2008 - Firefighter Lydia Majak, Fire Department
- 2007 - Officer Jean-Claude Dorsainvil, Police Department
- 2007 - Firefighter Judi Renner, Fire Department
- 2007 - Deputy Sheriff Rasheedah Jordan, Office of Sheriff
- 2007 - Deputy Sheriff Vikas Ohri, Office of Sheriff
- 2007 - Firefighter William Dunleavy, Fire Department
- 2007 - Captain Robert Robinson, Fire Department
- 2007 - Firefighter Douglas Townshend, Fire Department
- 2007 - K-9 Titan, Police Department
- 2007 - Captain D. Glen Taylor, Fire Department
- 2007 - Firefighter Timothy Quist, Fire Department
- 2007 - Paramedic Supervisor Craig Youndale, Fire Department
- 2006 - Officer Sean Casey, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Brad P. Cecchetti, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Angel A. Semidey, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Shawn Quigley, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Gregg L. Ladislaw, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Anthony Q. Gorham, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Welton Barnes, Police Department
- 2006 - Officer Burke S. Brownsfeld, Police Department
- 2006 - Deputy Sheriff II George R. Gray, Office of Sheriff
- 2005 - Officer Mark Morgan, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Charles Seckler, Police Department
- 2005 - Deputy Sheriff Deborah Vaughn, Office of Sheriff
- 2005 - Deputy Sheriff Delnice Molaski, Office of Sheriff
- 2004 - Battalion Chief Michael Brown, Fire Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Chad Lallier, Fire Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Robert Metzger, Fire Department

## PREVIOUS WINNERS (continued)

- 2004 - Deputy Sheriff Ricky Traynham, Office of Sheriff
- 2004 - Police Officer Reginald Sheffey, Police Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Louis Simpson, Fire Department
- 2003 - Police Officer John Lytle, Police Department
- 2003 - Police Officer William Mayfield, Police Department
- 2003 - Police Officer Jeffrey Stovall, Police Department
- 2002 - New Construction Supervisor William Coates, Fire Department
- 2001 - Police Officer John Lytle, Police Department
- 2000 - Police Officer Leasi Stroud, Police Department
- 2000 - Police Officer Sean Trimber, Police Department
- 2000 - Police Officer James Klock, Police Department
- 2000 - Police Detective Adrienne Miller, Police Department
- 2000 - Police Officer Todd Branson, Police Department
- 2000 - Police Sergeant Greg Shields, Police Department
- 1998 - Detective Eric Ratliff, Police Department
- 1997 - Police Officer Joseph Green, Police Department
- 1997 - Police Officer Ed Milner, Police Department
- 1997 - Police Officer Timothy Ricks, Police Department
- 1997 - Captain Ronald Wilson, Fire Department
- 1997 - Sergeant Tim Dickenson, Police Department
- 1997 - Police Officer Brian Gavin, Police Department
- 1997 - Detective David C. Hoffmaster, Police Department
- 1996 - Firefighter Robert Watts, Fire Department
- 1996 - Fire Captain James Bayliss, Fire Department
- 1996 - Officer Jennifer Marek, Police Department
- 1996 - Officer David Cutting, Police Department
- 1996 - Deputy Sheriff II William Morgan, Office of Sheriff
- 1996 - Firefighter Daniel McMaster, Fire Department
- 1996 - Firefighter Christopher Lockwood, Fire Department
- 1996 - Lieutenant Mark Dalton, Fire Department
- 1996 - Officer Daniel Briel, Police Department
- 1995 - Sergeant Micheal Crabill, Police Department
- 1995 - Emergency Rescue Tech II Brett Fitzgerald, Fire Department
- 1995 - Officer William Fouch, Police Department
- 1995 - Emergency Rescue Tech II Lisa Jones, Fire Department
- 1995 - Firefighter Thurston McClain, Fire Department
- 1995 - Officer Frank Powers, Fire Department
- 1995 - Officer Eddie Reyes, Police Department
- 1995 - Fire Captain Paul Scaffido, Fire Department
- 1994 - Officer Joseph A. Watson, Police Department
- 1994 - Fire Captain Joseph Hoffmaster, Fire Department
- 1993 - Corporal Michael P. Powers, Police Department
- 1992 - Deputy Sheriff Timothy L. Stanfield, Office of Sheriff
- 1991 - K-9 "Boy", Police Department
- 1990 - Firefighter Richard A. Sisler, Fire Department
- 1990 - Firefighter Robert E. Whitmore, Fire Department

## PREVIOUS WINNERS (continued)

### Certificate of Valor

- 2007 - Officer Robert Opsut, Police Department
- 2007 - Deputy Sheriff Gloria Wright, Office of Sheriff
- 2006 - Officer Brunilda Cofresi-Toro, Police Department
- 2006 - Deputy Sheriff Dexter Mason, Office of Sheriff
- 2006 - Assistant Fire Marshall Robert M. Luckett, Fire Department
- 2005 - Officer Monica Lisle, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Kevin Thomas, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Lorenzo Hardy, Police Department
- 2005 - Officer Terence Bridges, Police Department
- 2005 - Deputy Sheriff Anthony Calhoun, Office of Sheriff
- 2004 - Deputy Sheriff Dexter Mason, Office of Sheriff
- 2003 - Police Officer Kurt Dove, Police Department
- 2003 - Police Officer Brian Fromm, Police Department
- 2002 - Captain John North, Fire Department
- 2001 - Firefighter Jerome Beuchert, Fire Department
- 2001 - Firefighter Louis Simpson, Fire Department
- 2001 - ECT Ericka Flournoy, Police Department
- 2001 - Lieutenant Robert Cregan, Office of Sheriff
- 1998 - Officer Gerald Ford, Police Department
- 1998 - Officer Mitch Grossman, Police Department
- 1998 - Officer William Mayfield, Police Department
- 1998 - Officer Walter Powell, Police Department
- 1997 - Deputy Sheriff Patrick Griffith, Office of Sheriff
- 1997 - Deputy Sheriff Donald Ingles, Office of Sheriff
- 1997 - Paramedic Elizabeth King, Fire Department
- 1997 - Deputy Sheriff Chris O'Dell, Office of Sheriff
- 1997 - ECT Matthew Papenfuhs, Fire Department
- 1996 - Firefighter Don Short, Fire Department
- 1993 - Corporal Phillip J. Adcock, Police Department
- 1993 - Firefighter Kenneth Salfelder, Fire Department
- 1993 - Firefighter Phillip S. Perry, Fire Department
- 1993 - ECT William Holland, Fire Department
- 1992 - Deputy Sheriff William Kent, Office of Sheriff
- 1992 - Captain Daniel Glen Taylor, Fire Department
- 1992 - Firefighter Charles Davis, Fire Department
- 1992 - Firefighter John W. North, Fire Department
- 1992 - Firefighter David C. Stelter, Fire Department
- 1992 - Lieutenant Joel J. Kanasky, Fire Department
- 1992 - Firefighter Daniel A. McMaster, Fire Department
- 1991 - Officer Timothy D. Barlow, Police Department

## PREVIOUS WINNERS (continued)

### LifeSaving Award

- 2011 - Officer T.R. Allen, Police Department
- 2011 - Officer Aloysius Asonglefac, Police Department
- 2011 - Supervisor Jerry McHugh, Fire Department
- 2011 - Detective Ronda Parker, Police Department
- 2011 - Captain Thurston McClain, Fire Department
- 2011 - Firefighter Matthew Craig, Fire Department
- 2011 - Firefighter Michael Faber, Fire Department
- 2011 - Paramedic Jason Cage, Fire Department
- 2011 - Paramedic, Elizabeth King, Fire Department
- 2011 - Acting Lieutenant Doug Townshend, Fire Department
- 2009 - Officer Tim Kyburz, Police Department
- 2008 - Officer Michael Nugent, Police Department
- 2008 - Captain James Robey, Office of Sheriff
- 2008 - Paul Devin, Office of Sheriff
- 2008 - Paramedic James Blivin
- 2008 - Firefighter Michael Chandler, Fire Department
- 2008 - Firefighter Mike Dunn, Fire Department
- 2008 - Paramedic Frederick Koerner, Fire Department
- 2008 - Paramedic John Rule, Fire Department
- 2008 - Paramedic Amy Stephens
- 2007 - Officer Zygmund E. Slevinski, Police Department
- 2007 - Deputy Sheriff Lynn Oliver, Office of Sheriff
- 2007 - Captain Anthony Casalena, Fire Department
- 2007 - Firefighter Patrick Evans, Fire Department
- 2007 - Firefighter Glenn Renick, Fire Department
- 2007 - Captain Joseph Warner, Fire Department
- 2007 - Firefighter Donald Webber, Fire Department
- 2006 - Deputy Sheriff Tianna Crocket, Office of Sheriff
- 2006 - Deputy Sheriff Monique Edwards, Office of Sheriff
- 2006 - Deputy Sheriff Raymond Veney, Office of Sheriff
- 2005 - Officer Jennifer Mogford, Police Department
- 2005 - Sergeant James Terry, Office of Sheriff
- 2005 - Deputy Sheriff Scott Petrini, Office of Sheriff
- 2004 - Deputy Sheriff Georgianna Howard, Office of Sheriff
- 2004 - ERT Lisa Jones, Fire Department
- 2004 - ERT Jack Kump, Fire Department
- 2004 - ERT Nicole Lauerman, Fire Department
- 2004 - Firefighter Larry Lee, Fire Department
- 2004 - ERT Jeremy Lenzner, Fire Department
- 2004 - ERT Johnnie McCarther, Fire Department
- 2004 - Deputy Sheriff Marvin Pitts, Office of Sheriff
- 2004 - ERT Allison Talley, Fire Department
- 2004 - ERT Donald Scott, Fire Department

2004 - Firefighter Randolph Thompson, Fire Department  
2003 - ERT Jeannie Robinson, Fire Department  
2003 - ERT Khoa Tran, Fire Department  
2002 - Deputy Sheriff Audrey Eskridge, Office of Sheriff  
2001 - Officer Bryan Porter, Police Department  
2000 - Deputy Sheriff Douglas Woehlke, Office of Sheriff  
2000 - Firefighter Dale Barr, Fire Department  
2000 - Firefighter Randolph Scott, Fire Department

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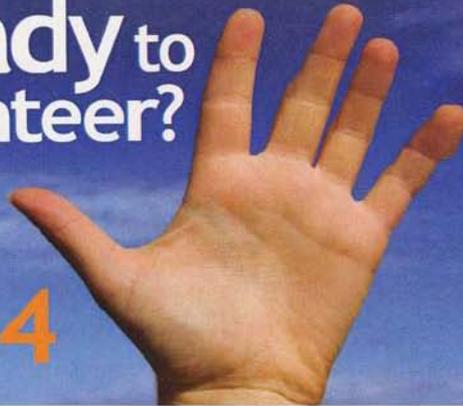
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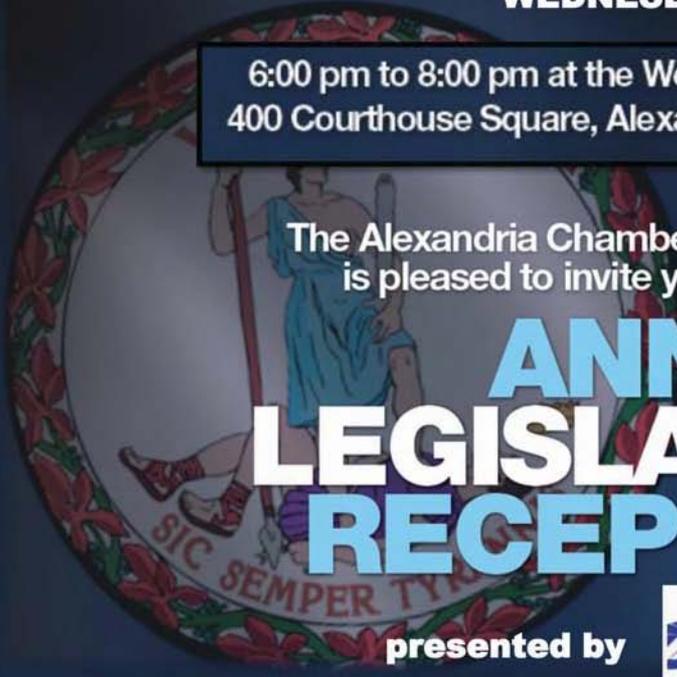
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