

ALUMNI AWARDS 2007

Homecoming 2007, "Coming Home", provided a warm reunion and celebration for the Department of Education to recognize the contributions of three outstanding alumni to their students, schools, and communities.

Carol Stoker Petzold, 1959, B.S. in Elementary Education

Representative, Maryland House of Delegates, 1987-2007 — twelve of those years on the House Judiciary Committee speaking up for fair laws in divorce, child support and domestic violence and serving as sub-committee chair of the Criminal Justice Committee.

§ Judiciary Committee, 1992-2007; chair, Criminal Justice Subcommittee 2003-2007

§ Vice-Chair, Montgomery County Delegation, 1994-2006; member Transportation Committee

§ Protocol Committee, 1995-2007

§ Chair, Special Committee on Drug and Alcohol Abuse, 2006-07, (member 1993-2007)

§ Constitutional and Administrative Law Committee, 1987-1992

§ Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review, 1999-2003

§ Deputy Majority Whip, 1999-2002

§ Women Legislators of Maryland; Executive Board, 2003-04; Endorsement Committee, 2001-2006; Chair, Childcare Challenge Award Committee, 1997-2003

§ Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Caucus, 2003-2006

§ MarylandVeterans Caucus, 2005-2006

§ National Conference of State Legislatures, 1987-2007; Energy & Utilities Committee, 2006; delegation to Germany, 1995; vice-chair, Assembly on Federal Issues, 1996-97; chair Energy & Transportation Committee, 1997-98, chair, Advisory Council on Energy, 1997-99; chair, Transportation Committee, 2004-05; President, NCSL's Women's Legislative Network, 2004-05; delegation to Brazil, 2001

§ National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board, 1989-2007

§ Task Force on Compensation of Child-Care Providers, 1995-96

§ Chair, Administrative Hearings State Advisory Council, 1996-2001; member 1990-2007

Honors

§ Top 100 Women in Maryland, Daily Record, 2002 and 2004

§ Legislative Award, Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence, 2003

§ Distinguished Legislator Award, Maryland Impaired Driving Coalition, 2003

§ Award of Excellence, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), 2002

§ Mother of the Year, Montgomery Chapter, March of Dimes, 2000

§ State Official Award, Governor's Advisory Board on Homelessness, 1994

§ American Association of University Women, Name Grant Honoree, 1971 & 1981

§ Recognition of Outstanding Commitment to Children, US Dept of Health, Education and Welfare 1980

Olympia McClendon Johnson, 2001, Music Education

Music Teacher, Gary, Indiana and Saxophone teacher at DancExcel-Champion Center for Creative Arts.

During her career she has revitalized the music programs at Eddison Middle School and Bailly Middle School and has recently partnered with Wirt High School to strengthen their concert and marching bands. She actively promotes fine arts education, voluntarily assisting student ensembles throughout the city. Olympia performs with local musicians in her spare time.

Dr. William T. Roberts, 1994, History & Secondary Education Upon graduating from college, William taught history at Lew Wallace and West Side High Schools. After teaching five years, William began his administrative career holding the positions of Dean of Students at West Side, Title XX Hearing Officer/ Expulsion Examiner, Supervisor of Grant Programs and Community Involvement, and Assistant Principal at West Side High School and Terre Haute North Vigo High School. Currently, William is serving as principal of Benjamin Bosse High Evansville, IN.

Outside of the school, William has been very active in the church. In 2000 William was licensed to preach the gospel at New Providence Baptist Church. William has held the positions of Sunday School Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Director of Vacation Bible School, Minister of Music, and Youth Pastor. Presently, William is Assistant Pastor of New Providence Baptist Church a position he has held for six years.

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