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Leadership Prince William Selects Inaugural Class Participants reflect diversity of perspectives

Manassas, VA. The Board of Regents of Leadership Prince William announced the participants for the Inaugural Class of 2007 Leadership Prince William. The 30 class members were chosen from a diverse pool of applicants representing the areas of business and technology, religion, education, non-profit, health and social services, legal and law-enforcement and government.

The Leadership Prince William Class of 2007:

- Bob Anderson, Metro Sign & Design
- Rebecca Barnes, Prince William Regional Chamber of Commerce and Bargain Boxes, Inc.
- Ken Blackstone, Prince William County Public Schools
- James Bounds, LOGIS-TECH, Inc
- Sergio Campos, Norman Realty, Inc.
- John Collier, Prince William County Sheriffs Office
- Stephen Daves, R. W. Murray Co.
- Betty Dean, Didlake, Inc.
- Traci DeGroat, Habitat for Humanity
- Larry FitzGerald, Grubb & Ellis Company
- Molly Grove, George Mason University
- Pamela Harbourt, Harbourt & Associates, PLLC
- Charlyn Hasson-Brown, CASA of Greater Prince William
- Barbara Hopkins, City of Manassas Park and Ealy Hopkins and Associates, LLC
- Stephan M. Hudson, Prince William County Police Department
- Gillian Kane-Mobley, Belmont Bay Science Center Foundation, Inc.
- Dr. Mary Lopez, Independence Empowerment Center
- Shari Naufflett, Ideal Marketing Solutions
- Jerole Nelson, Cranberry Marketing Associates, LLC
- Mary Neylon, Prince William County Police Department
- Don Pannell, Prince William County Service Authority
- Maria Paslick, SAI Engineering Incorporated Mechanical and Electrical Group
- Corey Riley, Greater Prince William Community Health Center
- Jennifer Rutkowski, Micron Technology
- Linda Rodriguez, Synergy One Federal Credit Union;
- Kristina Spittler, Esq., Vanderpool, Frostick & Nishanian, PC
- Craig Stewart, National Museum of Americans at War
- Amy Morris Tanner, Virginia Commerce Bank
- Eliza Wojtaszek, Gainesville Commerce Center
- Mark Wolfe, ADCO/Air Distributing Co., Inc.

The program consists of eight one day sessions hosted at various locations throughout Prince William. Each session features presentations by leaders and experts on specific topics such as education, planning and economic development, transportation, communication, criminal justice and public safety, social services including health care, government and quality of life including arts and the environment. The program will kick off with an overnight retreat September 20 -21 at the National Conference Center in Lansdowne Virginia. The purpose of the retreat is to foster team and relationship building through a combination of discussions and participative activities designed to motivate and stimulate participants.

Kathy Ellington, Executive Director of Leadership Prince William said, "Leadership Prince William is proud to initiate this program. With dynamic, knowledgeable and committed leadership, our quality of life in Prince William will be strengthened. We expect Leadership Prince William to play an important role in preparing the area's existing and emerging leaders for active roles in working with the challenges and opportunities facing our area."

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Directed by a Board of Regents, Leadership Prince William is a private, non-profit organization with programs designed to prepare existing and emerging community leaders for pivotal positions in business, local government and community affairs. The courses inspire, enlighten, and connect a network of individuals interested in building a strong future for the Prince William community. The skills imparted during this intensive program will help launch graduates into new civic and business opportunities, and will create a positive force for change in the community.

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