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The Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, Inc.

Dear Friends of MSCHF:

For the past two years all of us have had to adjust our lives due to the COVID 19 pandemic. As individuals, we had to learn to wear masks, keep our distance, and eventually become vaccinated.

The Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Executive Board also had to make changes in order to keep safe the vulnerable senior population we serve. In 2020, we cancelled the Annual Induction Luncheon and sent the certificates and BLUE BOOKS to the 2020 Honorees. The Geri Award winners received their Geri plaques, certificates and BLUE BOOKS in person standing outside of their respective homes.

Then, in 2021, facing an uncertain future in the midst of the pandemic, the MSCHF Executive Board decided to not endanger anyone and paused its annual search for deserving senior volunteers.

This year, 2022, MSCHF will once again strive to meet its goal of honoring senior volunteerism across Maryland that started in 1987. It is obvious that our society is experiencing a “new normal” and changes need to be made accordingly. In the meantime, our long-standing induction luncheon venue has succumbed to the pandemic and is now out of business.

Out of an abundance of caution, the Executive Board has decided to reduce the number of inductees to 25 and limit the number of guests at the October Induction Luncheon. A new venue has been identified in Clarksville MD, still reflecting the geographic center of Maryland. It is our hope that we can responsibly continue our mission there providing a safe environment for all attending.

The Executive Board urges all former inductees, nominators, and friends of MSCHF to seek out new senior volunteers across Maryland who deserve to be recognized in 2022 for their unselfish giving back to their respective communities.

Keep well and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Parker E. Koons, President

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