



THE CHARLES A. RODEFELD AWARD
For Leadership in Philanthropy and the Community

ABOUT THE AWARD

The Charles A. Rodefeld Award for Leadership in Philanthropy and the Community honors a man who was not widely known as a philanthropist or worker for non-profit organizations. He was, instead, a person who moved quietly but steadily to help meet community needs. The Rodefeld Award seeks to recognize Wayne County citizens and/or companies who have been there when agencies or organizations most needed them, who served faithfully and well, though without fanfare, and who have provided leadership and significant financial support over the years. To qualify for the Charles A. Rodefeld Award, an individual, corporation, or organization must have demonstrated exceptional leadership and innovative commitment to addressing a community concern or a dedication to improving the effectiveness of an existing charitable institution while maintaining an attitude of humility. Evidence of achievement must be demonstrated by gifts of volunteer leadership and significant personal/corporate resources.

PREVIOUS AWARD RECIPIENTS

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| 1994 – Charles A. Rodefeld , Richmond | 2006 – Paul Lingle , Richmond |
| 1995 – Robert W. Rosa , Richmond | 2007 – Andy Cecere , Richmond |
| 1996 – J. Ross and Natalie Harrington ,
Richmond | 2008 – Albert Gentry , Richmond |
| 1997 – Kathleen Postle , Centerville | 2009 – Jon Ford , Richmond |
| 1998 – Becky Rosa , Richmond | 2010 – David and Carla Stidham , Richmond |
| 1999 – John M. Harlan , Richmond | 2011 – Richard “Jeff” Jeffers , Richmond |
| 2000 – Jim and Helen Cope , Centerville | 2012 – Cheri Jetmore , Richmond |
| 2001 – William R. Niersbach , Richmond | 2013 – Father John Luerman , Richmond |
| 2002 – Victor R. Jose , Richmond | 2014 – Dr. Frank and Mrs. Mary Alice Adney ,
Richmond |
| 2003 – Donald C. McCullough ,
Hagerstown | 2015 - Jack and Debra Edelman , Richmond |
| 2004 – Tom and Claire Ann Milligan ,
Richmond | 2016 – Ray Ontko , Richmond |
| 2005 – Inezetta Stiver , Centerville | 2017 - Ginger Gray , Richmond |
| | 2018 – George Schmid , Richmond |



**THE RUTH J WICKEMEYER AWARD
For Community Service**

ABOUT THE AWARD

Named for the Foundation's first Executive Director, Ruth J. Wickemeyer, this award recognizes paid or volunteer not-for-profit leaders who personify exceptional service to others in the name of community progress. Ruth is perhaps best remembered for maintaining the highest ethical standards and expressing true appreciation for even the smallest contributions.

Candidates must demonstrate a history of significant service in the Wayne County not-for-profit community, an unswerving commitment to the highest ethical standards, and evidence of articulating a vision for community improvement by their leadership and/or significant accomplishments.

PREVIOUS AWARD RECIPIENTS

- 2006 – **Pat Bowers**, Easter Seals
- 2007 – **Wilbur "Rody" Rodenberg**, Achieva Resources
- 2008 – **Dr. James Daggy**, Boys and Girls Clubs of Wayne County
- 2009 – **Betty Mark**, National Association for Mentally Ill
- 2010 – **Alan Spears**, Cope Environmental Center
- 2011 – **David Nixon**, Boy Scouts
- 2012 – **Jill King**, Cambridge City First United Methodist Church
- 2013 – **Penn Ansorg**, Morrisson-Reeves Library
- 2014 – **Aileen Wickett Harris**, St. Paul's Episcopal Church
- 2015 – **Karole Passmore**, Second Helpings
- 2016 – **Mark W. Harris**, Independent Living Center
- 2017 – **June Miller**, Special Olympics
- 2018 – **Margurite Clark**, Dublin Do Gooders Club