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Schools honored for maintenance efforts

Annual custodial awards recognize school custodial crews

The annual Harford County Public School Custodial Awards were presented on June 25th at Southampton Middle School to those schools whose maintenance operations were chosen by a panel of experts to be the most outstanding during the 2007-08 school year. The schools were judged on the cleanliness of the buildings and a number of other continuing maintenance categories. The inspections were both announced and unannounced. The awards – presented at the elementary, middle and high school levels – were handed out by the school system's Chief of Administration, Joseph Licata, and the system's Facilities Management Director, Patti Jo Beard. The honors came at the conclusion of the annual professional development program conducted for all building custodians in the school system by Facilities Management leaders and others from related offices in the school system.

Four elementary schools – Dublin, Emmorton, George D. Lisby at Hillsdale, and Jarrettsville – shared in the top awards at that level; while Southampton won the middle school award and Fallston was the top rated high school.

In addition, three custodians were recognized as having achieved their fourth grade stationary engineers license. Honored were Sonya Benn of North Harford High, Sandra Buchanan of Norrisville Elementary, and Michelle Campbell of Homestead/Wakefield Elementary.

Along with the first place winning schools, awards for 'Most Improved' and a number of runners up honors were handed out.

At the high school level, Havre de Grace was judged the Most Improved; and Patterson Mill Middle/High (first runner up), Harford Technical High (second runner up), and Joppatowne High (third runner up) were honored.

At the middle school level, the Most Improved was Aberdeen Middle; with Bel Air Middle (first runner up), Fallston Middle (second runner up), and Havre de Grace Middle (third runner up) also receiving honors.

In the elementary division, Youth's Benefit was judged Most Improved; while Norrisville (first runner up), Edgewood (second runner up), North Bend (third runner up), Bel Air (fourth runner up), William S. James (fifth runner up), and Darlington (sixth runner up) also were recognized.

Cutlines:

DUBLIN – Dublin Elementary was one of four first place winners at the elementary level in the annual Custodial Awards program. Chief of Administration Joe Licata, left, and Coordinator for Custodial Training Jim Bertier, right, took part in all the ceremonies. Those present from Dublin were, beginning second from left, Vicki Caple (Chief), Etha Barger, and Mary Wilson.

EMMORTON – Emmorton Elementary was among the four first place winning elementary Custodial Award winning schools. Accepting for the school was, from left, Nancy Hill, Mark Kiebler (Chief), and Shirley Kennard, along with Assistant Principal Edith Buckler.

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LISBY/HILLSDALE – George D. Lisby Elementary School at Hillsdale was another of the first place winning schools in the Elementary Custodial Awards program. Accepting for the school was, from left, Assistant Principal Patricia Chenworth, Larry Leedy (Chief), and Alice Breault.

JARRETTSVILLE – Also winning a first place in the Elementary Custodial Awards program was Jarrettsville Elementary with, from left, Patricia Shumate, Richard Friend, Nancy Frey (Chief), and Principal Rick Russell accepting.

MOST IMPROVED – Youth’s Benefit Elementary was named the Most Improved in the 2007-08 Elementary Custodial Awards program. Accepting the recognition, from left, was Assistant Principal Brad Stinar, Brenda McClain, Rose Roberts, Roy Strong (chief), Ellen Lilly, and Joseph Robert.

FIRST RUNNER UP – Norrisville Elementary was first runner up in the Elementary Custodial Awards program. Accepting for the school was Sandra Buchanan (Chief), James Jeter, John Diehl, and Principal Duane Wallace.

SECOND RUNNER UP – Edgewood Elementary was second runner up in the annual Custodial Awards at the Elementary level. Accepting for the school was Assistant Principal Gregory Lane, Gordon Burton (Chief), Edward Erdman, Jr., and Ronald McLaughlin, with Principal Lisa Sundquist.

THIRD RUNNER UP – North Bend Elementary was the third runner up in the Elementary Custodial Awards program for 2007-08. Accepting for the school was, from left, Martin Bright, Bobbie Dixon Alice Moxley, and Daryl Ritter (Chief).

FOURTH RUNNER UP – Bel Air Elementary was named fourth runner up at the Elementary level in the 2007-08 Custodial Awards. Accepting the recognition, from left, was Principal Robin Payne, Robert Parker (Chief), Juan Barragan, and Scott Rakowski.

FIFTH RUNNER UP – The fifth runner up in the 2007-08 Elementary Custodial Awards program was William S. James Elementary with, from left, Assistant Principal Allison Donnelly, Priscilla Spies, and Paul Armstrong (Chief) accepting the award.

SIXTH RUNNER UP – Darlington Elementary School was named sixth runner up in the Elementary Custodial Award program for 2007-08. Accepting for the school was, from left, Don Tracey, Jr. (Chief), Mary Anson, and Teacher in Charge Lisa Minutali.

FALLSTON HIGH – Fallston High School was named the 2007-08 winner of the Custodial Awards program at the high school level. Accepting for the school was, from left, front, Joe Healy (Building Engineer), John DeRan, Ken Daugherty, David Benjamin, and Joseph Lucas; and, second row, Delores Gladden, Irene Shaw, Ruth Carter, Constance Andrews, Earnestine Collins, Mary List, and Principal Joe Schmitz.

MOST IMPROVED – Havre de Grace High School was named the Most Improved at that level in the 2007-08 Custodial Awards program. Accepting for the school was, from left, Edmond Kearney, Mercedes Woodson, Jerry Quick, Ben Richardson (Building Engineer), Dorothy Hall, Holee Sifford, Juanita Corsair, Meka Robbins, and Tracey Ezell.

PMMHS – Patterson Mill Middle/High School was named the First Runner Up in the High School Custodial Awards program for 2007-08. Accepting for the school were, front row, Mark Hutton, Ernest Pollock, Jason McClain, and Bryan Paul; and, second row, Nate Aki (Building Engineer), Caroline Stephens, Christine Moody, Jacqueline Cerrone, Christine Thomas, Delores Williams, and Assistant Principal Blaire White.

HARFORD TECH – Harford Technical High School was named second runner up in the High School Division of the 2007-08 Custodial Award program. Accepting the award for the school was, from left, front, Stanley Grimes, Winston Cevis, Robert Harvey, and Alfred Jackson; and, back, Assistant Principal Wanita Fleury, Elisa Martinez-Rivera, Patricia Billings (Building Engineer), Mary Jones, Shelly Sconion, Gladys Breymaier, Rebecca Foreman, and Kathrine Darnell.

JOPPATOWNE HIGH – The third runner-up in the High School Division of the 2007-08 Custodial Awards program was Joppatowne High, represented by, from left, Marlene Randolph, Kristopher Lincoln, Galli Garnes, Tammie Powell, Gertrude Paschall, Mark Wood (Building Engineer), Robert Pitts, Jerry Clanton, and Samuel Teague.

SOUTHAMPTON – Southampton Middle School was the 2007-08 winner of the Middle School Division in the Custodial Awards program. Accepting for the school was, from left, front, Christopher Dather, Edward Foreman, Albert Biggs, Ernest Johnson, Garry Kirts, and Marion Hoffman; and, second row, Principal Barbara Canavan, Lennard Beecher, Helen Cage, Carolyn Yeager, Vivian Comes (Building Engineer), Terri Zell, Betty Halen, and Joanie Peters.

ABERDEEN MIDDLE SCHOOL was named the Most Improved in the Middle School Division for the 2007-08 Custodial Awards program. Accepting the award for the school was, from left, front, Patricia Tasker, Margaret Peters, Joann (Eva) Sheehan, Princess Medeiros, Christine Banks, Judith Gerasimoff, and Assistant Principal Lamark Holley.

BEL AIR MIDDLE – The first runner up in the Middle School Division of the 2007-08 Custodial Awards program was Bel Air Middle, with, from left, Deborah Tisdale, Mary Brewer, Donald Haupt, Grady Bedwell (Building Engineer), Richard Miller, Timothy Vanhart, Patricia Mullins, and Christine Knopp accepting.

FALLSTON MIDDLE – Fallston Middle School was named winner of the second runner up in the Middle School Division of the 2007-08 Custodial Awards program. Accepting for the school was, from left, James Peaker, Jeffrey (Scott) Blevins, Bill Markword (Building Engineer), Everett Proffitt, Jr., Selma Keyes, Lorenzo Hall, Sr., and Assistant Principal Ron Wingate.

HAVRE DE GRACE MIDDLE SCHOOL was named the third runner up in the Middle School Division of the 2007-08 Custodial Awards program. Accepting the award was, from left, Denise Wenger, Kathlyn Cage, Howard Stitely, Jr., and Richard Mann (Building Engineer).

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