

## CHATHAM COUNTY 2010 CELEBRATING SERVICE PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, it is a duty of the Chatham County Human Relations Commission (CCHRC) to sponsor an annual event, the *Margaret B. Pollard Celebrating Service Awards*, for recognizing the contributions of individuals, persons in business and industry, local organizations, and religious organizations for accomplishments in human relations; and

**WHEREAS**, the awards program categories highlight the following attributes:

- a strong commitment and demonstrated record of achievement in promoting cultural diversity and ethnic inclusion in the community;
- a record of achievement in promoting human and civil rights and/or improving human relations;
- contributions to inclusive reporting and/or media that reflect accuracy and fairness toward diverse segments of the population;
- better human relations through pastoral care and action; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners (BOC) support the CCHRC in celebrating the service contributions of people and organizations;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the BOC appreciates all who contribute to the advancement of mutual understanding, justice, and equity and, upon the recommendation of the CCHRC, bestows special honor and recognition for their service to the following individuals and organizations:

**2010 Robert A. Siler Lifetime Achievement in Human Relations Award** – *Honoring an individual or an organization with a lifelong commitment (20+ years) to positive human relations in Chatham County:*

Chatham Habitat for Humanity

**2010 Margaret B. Pollard Outstanding Community Service Award** – *Honoring Chatham County residents with a strong commitment and demonstrated record of achievement in promoting cultural diversity and ethnic inclusion in the community:*

GREAT Program Officers – Corporal Raymond Barrios, Sergeant Joe Edwards, Deputy Sandra Ross, Deputy Kyle Smith, Deputy Herbie Stubbs, Sergeant Mike Szpunar  
The Hispanic Liaison/El Vinculo Hispano  
Peter Kaufman  
Louise Omoto Kessel

**2010 Samuel B. Obie Commendable Community Service Award** – *Honoring non-Chatham County residents with a record of achievement in promoting human and civil rights and/or improving human relations in Chatham County:*

Manuel Colorado  
Moncure Strike Solidarity Committee  
Amy Powell

**2010 Margie E. Ellison Making a Difference Community Action Award** – Honoring individuals who promote positive human relations and who make a difference in Chatham County by working at the grassroots level:

Roy Barnes  
Megan Bolejack  
Mona Hanner  
Theresa Isley  
Mujeres Mejorando el Futuro – Women Improving the Future  
Marcia Perritt  
Rita Spina

**2010 Jerry L. Markatos Diversity in Media Award** – Honoring individuals, businesses, or organizations with a record of contributions to inclusive media that reflect accuracy and fairness toward diverse segments of the population in Chatham County:

Chatham Arts – *Race in NC* Film Series  
Friends of the Library and McIntyre's Fine Books in Fearington – *Community Read 2009: Exploring Our Shared Racial History* Program

**2010 Carl E. Thompson Distinguished Civic Service Award** – Honoring Chatham County current or past officials with a record of contributions to better human relations:

Richard Webster


**2010 Javier Benitez Outstanding Pastoral Service Award** – Honoring individuals with a record of contributions through pastoral care and action:

Carl Thompson and Patricia Learned

Adopted this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010.

  
Sally Kost, Chair

ATTEST:

  
Sandra B. Sublett, CMC, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners