



Arlington Street People's Assistance Network

A-SPAN News

January 2003

Arlington Walks for the Homeless

This fall A-SPAN participated in the 15th annual Help the Homeless Walkathon sponsored by the Fannie Mae Foundation, and 11 schools and churches held miniwalks to benefit A-SPAN. Over 1,500 people participated in these miniwalks, the largest number ever to walk for A-SPAN. Schools and churches organized educational activities to inform students about homelessness and invited A-SPAN speakers to talk to students, youth groups and adult walkers. A-SPAN is proud that so many people in our community wanted to be a part of helping the homeless. THANK YOU!

Arlington Traditional School

Ashlawn Elementary

Jamestown Elementary

Hoffman Boston Elementary

Patrick Henry Elementary

Randolph Elementary

Tuckahoe Elementary

Church of the Covenant

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

St. Michael's Episcopal Church

Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington

Patrick Henry Elementary School

A special thanks to those who sponsored students in miniwalks:

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J. Andrew Keyes

Tom Leckey, Sr.

Janeen Oshaben

A-SPAN was also well represented by dozens of people on the National Mall on November 23 for the 'big' walk. Thanks to everyone who walked on that day or sponsored a walker.

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Mark Your Calendar!

**A-SPAN's 2nd Annual
Awards Dinner
Saturday, April 5, 2003**

For more information, call
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Director's Corner

by Lora Rinker, Executive Director

In this issue of the A-SPAN newsletter you will find both anecdotal and statistical information to demonstrate the success of A-SPAN's work with homeless people in Arlington. Each month, we have at least one story about a person who has improved his/her life by taking advantage of the services we provide. In this issue, we also include a statistical overview for our fourth year of HUD funding. This information demonstrates a simple fact: If quality services are available, people's lives can improve and they can get off the streets.

The major need of homeless people is, of course, housing. Whereas a major strategy in eliminating homelessness has been to provide services (such as mental health treatment, substance abuse counseling or medical treatment) to prepare individuals for access to housing, a major trend today is "housing first," i.e., making the housing available and following that up with services as needed. A recent study conducted in New York (as reported in The Washington Post, Sat., Nov. 30, 2002) indicated that "housing first" is a fiscally responsible methodology as expenses per homeless person were cut by 30% if housing were accessed as a first step.

As the housing shortage in Arlington is well known and particularly acute for very low income people, A-SPAN has been working, along with other non-profits, to conceive ways to increase the number of housing units available in Arlington for this population. As plans develop, we will keep you informed and seek your support.

In Memoriam

All of us at A-SPAN, - staff, Board of Directors, volunteers and clients - are deeply saddened by the death of Arlington Board Chairman, Charles Monroe. He was a good friend of our organization and of many of us personally. He was very supportive of increased County support for Arlington's non-profit organizations. We were looking forward to joining him in continuing this endeavor and in other initiatives set forth in his New Year's Day address. He was a man who worked for justice for all people, particularly those in greatest need. We are grateful to him for volunteering at the emergency shelter last winter. We will miss him. We send our condolences to his family and his many friends.

Shoebox Full of Love

by Marte Birnbaum, Director, Opportunity Place

Since 1983, the congregation of Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church has been sponsoring "Shoebox Sunday", putting together shoeboxes full of holiday gifts for homeless individuals. Members gathered 40 boxes the first few years which were distributed to several organizations. Since then, A-SPAN's clients have become the main recipients - around 150 brightly wrapped boxes were delivered this year to homeless men and women at the EWS, at Opportunity Place and on the streets.

"All I do is put announcements in the church bulletin and the result is overwhelming" says Ann Felker, Shoebox Sunday coordinator, who has been with the program since its inception. Congregation members bring boxes full of items and the teens in the confirmation class sort, wrap and label the boxes for men or women. During the 4th Sunday in Advent, the

pews begin to fill with shoeboxes from parishioners young and old. One elderly congregant told Ann she just takes a shoebox and goes to the dollar store "and I just fill it up with good stuff."

Ann's own dedication to the project along with ideas of what would be useful to someone living on the streets is inspired in part by the thought of her brother, Mark, who has been homeless for a number of years in Portland, Oregon. Over time the list of suggested items has evolved as products have changed and we learn more about the needs of persons who are homeless. For

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example, in 1999 parishioners began to include pre-paid phone cards as an incentive for people to perhaps get in touch with family members as Ann's brother finally did using a phone card. Small notebooks, pencils, and stamped postcards are other recent additions to socks, gloves, hats,

toothbrushes, gum, hairbrushes, pocket calendars, pens, watches, dental floss, and candy which are found in the gift boxes.

As one of Ann's brothers and her mother helped unload boxes this year at the A-SPAN offices, the family shared with Bernard Carey, Opportunity Place Employment Coordinator, their personal challenge in searching for son and brother Mark. Bernard's brother too had become homeless, in this case, after a devastating accident while in the military. After searching for several years, Bernard finally located his brother in Louisiana. Let us remind ourselves, especially at this time of year when family so often gathers together, that any recipient of Shoebox Sunday could be someone's loved and missed family member.

A-SPAN Wish List

- **Large Hiker's Backpack**
- **Blankets**
- **Detergent**
- **Small Table**
- **Fishing pole and gear**
- **Answering Machines**
- **Toasters, Coffee Makers**
- **Wall Hangings**
- **Twin Beds/Frames**
- **Backpacks, purses, bags!**
- **Toiletries**

Call (703) 820-4357 to make a donation.

EWS Shelter News

by Linda Coats, Director of Shelter Services

As you know, we are having an unusually cold and snowy winter this year, and lots of people are on the streets in need of overnight shelter. We have already had to use our new overflow resources at **Arlington Temple United Methodist Church** many times. We need volunteers as well as monetary and in-kind donations. Each evening at least 6 volunteers are necessary to keep the shelter running smoothly. Volunteering at the EWS is a very rewarding experience. If you would like to volunteer, please contact us. Some items that are needed at the present time are blankets and toiletries, especially lotion, razors, deodorant and toothpaste. Thanks to Arlington Temple United Methodist Church for your help this year, and to all volunteers and donors. To help, please call Linda at 703-528-3082 or email EmergShelter@aol.com.

A special thank you to Bethel United Church of Christ which served as A-SPAN's overflow shelter for many years. We will be forever grateful

A-SPAN Welcomes New Members of the Board of Directors!

Andy Keyes has worked with A-SPAN for the past four years as our Pro-Bono Legal Counsel, but has always been much more than that, attending our meetings and giving general advice as well as volunteering at the Shelter. This year we convinced him to step down from his legal role to step up to Board membership and serve as President of our Board. We welcome him in his new capacity. Andy is an associate with the law firm of Williams & Connolly in Washington, D.C. He serves on A-SPAN's Resource Development Committee and the Planning Task Force.

Laurie Duncan-McWethy is President of Choices for Aging, a geriatric care management company in Falls Church, VA, that provides support and assistance to individuals who are primary caretakers of elderly parents. She completed her CPA in October, 2002. Congratulations, Laurie! She is also on the Board of Directors for the Women's Recovery Home in Arlington and serves on the Resource Development Committee for A-SPAN.

Tom Leckey, Jr. works for the U.S. Department of Energy's Information Administration as an Electricity Industry Specialist. Prior to that, he taught history at St. Anselm's Abbey School in Washington, D.C. A lifetime Arlingtonian, he is a member of Our Lady Queen of Peace parish in South Arlington. Tom chairs A-SPAN's Risk Management Task Force.

Opportunity Place Welcomes New Staff!

A number of new staff members have joined Opportunity Place since the summer. Here are some highlights of the experience they bring to our client services.

Deirdra Michelle Hailes, Case Manager, has a number of years experience in service work with homeless individuals and families. Most recently, she was

employed at a housing program in the District and prior to that, worked as a case manager for many years at Reston Interfaith's Embry Rucker shelter. Deirdra has significant expertise working with persons with cognitive disabilities and continues part-time work at Langley Residential Services. She enjoys a side career representing Mary Kay cosmetics and will be glad to speak to you about the products if you ask her. When she is not busy working, Deirdra enjoys the company of her 11-year old daughter Brittany. Deirdra, a graduate of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, remains interested in music, especially singing.

Wilbert Shaw, who first came to A-SPAN as a volunteer for the shelter's Eat Well program last year, then began working as an EWS night manager, came on board OP as a part-time outreach worker this summer. Currently employed as a case manager at Bailey's Crossroads Community Shelter, Wilbert had a former career in business before finding his way to social service work. Now, he has returned to school to study counseling and to complete his certification as an Addictions Counselor. He continues his seasonal work at the EWS and enjoys bowling, football and was a recent Keynote speaker at O.A.R.'s training workshop. Like many at A-SPAN, Wilbert enjoys a game of bid whist now and then.

Olga Garcia, part-time outreach worker, is another person making a career-change. Our outreach staff had previously come to know Olga during her work at Ballston Mall as a security officer. During this time, she met and assisted many A-SPAN clients who frequent the mall area. Olga, who graduated from Washington-Lee High School, contributes a multi-cultural competency along with valuable familiarity with South Arlington. Olga has 2 daughters, age 11 and age 6. She is now considering returning to school to study counseling.

Cesar Arevalo is our most recent addition and first came to us as a weekday volunteer. He now provides services during our Monday walk-in hours. Cesar is a lab technician at Fairfax Hospital but is interested in working more directly with people. In addition to his Spanish language fluency, Cesar is studying

psychology at George Mason University and brings this education to his work with our clients. Cesar, who is very interested in mathematics, was considering a career as a teacher; however, after working at OP, he is now leaning towards a Master's Degree in Social Work.

Lenita Seals brings many years experience in working with homeless individuals, inmates, persons with substance abuse problems and persons with HIV/AIDS. In addition to her work at A-SPAN as a part-time outreach worker, she currently works at the Residential Program Center Detox run by the Volunteers of America. Additionally, Lenita is an Army veteran who converts her own experience into reaching out to our clients with military backgrounds. Lenita has 2 daughters, Shakerria age 18 and Shabrika age 20. Shabrika just entered Virginia Commonwealth University much to Lenita's alternating delight and dismay.

Rounding out our outreach team is **Lawrence Elder** who, when not working outreach for OP, can generally be found managing New Hope Housing's Eleanor Kennedy Shelter in Ft. Belvoir where he is the Assistant Director. As a former consumer himself, Lawrence is able to relate and share his experience and hope for a new way of life. Lawrence also works shifts at the EWS, and, in addition to his years of experience working at different shelters, Lawrence brings experience with inmates and persons on probation. Lawrence and his wife, Cynthia, recently celebrated the purchase of a new home.

Anne Thompson, our new Executive Assistant, comes to us from Virginia Beach. She has a B.S. in Human Services Counseling from Old Dominion University and has many years of experience working with community service boards and other agencies serving substance abuse, mental health and homeless populations. Anne has a strong personal investment in the mission of A-SPAN.

In Sympathy

A-SPAN extends our heart-felt condolences to the family of Arnold Forte, who passed away on November 21, 2002. We appreciate all of Arnold's dedication and hard work both at Opportunity Place and the Emergency Winter Shelter. Arnold's contributions to A-SPAN were numerous and he will be greatly missed by A-SPAN staff and

New Efforts at Housing Solutions

A-SPAN is one of over two dozen sponsors of a new Arlington non-profit organization called Alliance for Housing Solutions. (AHS was organized originally as HEROES). Over the past three months, a distinguished group of Arlingtonians met to form AHS whose purposes are (a) educating community leaders and the general public on the moral, social, educational, and economic stakes in maintaining a full range and adequate supply of housing; (b) identifying and promoting affordable housing "best practices" from around the country; (c) facilitating the creation of a community-wide coalition to advocate for affordable housing; and (d) facilitating cooperation among government, private sector, and nonprofit organizations to expand the supply of affordable housing. We look forward to working with AHS and the sponsoring agencies to fulfill these purposes.

Stories from the Streets

Antonio's Room

by Dan Figg, Case Manager

I first met Mr. Antonio Fernandez (not his real name) in November of 2001. Since leaving the Armed Forces in 1981 Mr. Fernandez had made his living as a banquet server. Though unable to afford an apartment in our competitive rental market, he had always been able to pay his rent in modest rooms in Arlington and Fairfax Counties with money he earned serving the thousands of conventioners and V.I.P's converging yearly on our nation's capitol. The tragic events of September 11th, however, brought this to an end.

Antonio had stayed in our EWS a few years earlier and was hopeful we would be able to assist him again. I explained that A-SPAN did not have funds for the prevention of evictions but would refer him to an agency that did. I told him that I could not make any guarantees but would do my best. Understandably, he appeared worried by my answer. His mother, brother and friends were renters in the area but would jeopardize their own housing by taking him in. I knew that wherever I sent him for rental assistance he would be required to present a signed rental agreement. This can be especially difficult for people who are lodgers in apartments whose tenants are often reluctant to enter into this kind of formality. I gave him a sample lease form and my card, telling him his landlady could call me with any questions or concerns.

I did not hear from him again until early January 2002. He came to Opportunity Place and reported to me that he had tried to raise funds on his own for his rent. He was able to pay November rent late but once again did not have funds for December. He had begun to have

problems with kidney stones which had further diminished his ability to look for work that was still scarce due to the downturn in the hotel industry. His landlady had insisted that he leave. He had left with his belongings and stayed the weekend with a friend but could no longer continue there. He needed a place for that night. Luckily the A-SPAN Emergency Winter shelter was up and running. After he spent one night there, we were able to place him in the Volunteers of America Residential Program Center. Though Antonio had health benefits from the Veteran's Administration, his doctors at the VA Medical Center were uncomfortable resorting to intrusive surgery to remove his stones. In the meantime he agonizingly waited for the stones to pass themselves. Ongoing pain made an immediate job search impossible. Luckily his case

manager at the RPC, Ms. Rosa Reveron, was able to successfully advocate for multiple extensions at their shelter. He continued to struggle with the pain from the stones and on good days came to Opportunity Place to meet with me. We discovered that he had not applied for Unemployment benefits so we went to work on this immediately. We referred him to a transitional housing program, but they denied his

application citing that he was not working. Unemployment benefits were finally approved in early March.

Since he was not permanently disabled or receiving mental health or substance abuse services, he did not qualify for Arlington County's unique Housing Grant program. As RPC was unable to continue his stay due to the program's time constraints, we found him a room in South Arlington and provided assistance with the first month's rent since his first Unemployment check had not yet arrived.

The kidney problems persisted. To make matters worse, problems developed that made it necessary to find another room. We sat down again with the local community newspapers and started to make phone calls. Fortunately this time we had much better luck. We found a room in a home owned by a benevolent woman and her son who not only offered him a place to sleep but also shared family meals. Antonio thrived in this environment. Soon after moving in he reported that his kidney problems had subsided and that he had begun to work again. Since then he moved into a room in an apartment of a friend he met through work close to his mother's and brother's apartments.

Throughout the next few months Antonio stopped by Opportunity Place frequently. One day he approached me wearing a proud smile asking me to go to the window and look out onto Nelson Street. There was a car a friend had given him, a fixer-upper, that he had gotten running with the help of a cadre of new friends, three of whom had accompanied him today. Later in the year I had the opportunity to meet Mrs. Fernandez, who thanked us for "helping her son." It was clear that stable housing had a transformative effect on Antonio's situation. Where he once had been in pain and distracted, alone and vulnerable, he had since rediscovered his inner strength and resourcefulness. How remarkable a difference a room of his own had made. Antonio now has friends again and family and a job. Not sure how soon I would see him again, I persuaded him to fill out a Section 8 application. Before he had been reluctant when I explained the waiting list was two to three years long. Today however he was in a different place. He filled in the blanks and signed at the end with a self-assured flourish that was full of optimism, a more inspiring individual example than I could have imagined of the resilience of the American spirit in the wake of misfortune.

Donna's Journey from the Light to the Darkness to the Light

by Bernard Carey, Employment Coordinator

At the bottom of the abyss comes the voice of salvation. The black moment is the moment when the real message of transformation is going to come. At the darkest moment comes the light.
(Joseph Campbell)

Before I tell you Donna's (not her real name) story, I want to give praise to all the links in the chain that facilitated this success:

Arlington County Police

A.M.E.N.

M&G Apartments

Joe Gardner

Arlington County Mental Health

Meryl Davis, Brenda Krigle, Dr. Ram Gopalan

Department of Human Services

Terrence Onderrick, Debbie Gupta

Western State Hospital

Liesl Browne-Hancock

When I mention dark times, I mean dark times! When Donna first arrived at A-SPAN, she would be foul smelling and unable to follow the simplest directions. She urinated on the bathroom floor, then would turn around and holler at us. During client review, I stated more than once that we couldn't expect to accomplish much with her in this condition. It seemed that Donna needed more help than just "meeting her where she was at." My supervisor, Marte Birnbaum, would tell the staff that we must be flexible and patient with Donna to build up her trust so that she might eventually get the help she needed. One of our Case Managers, Karen Wood, began the process of being there for Donna. By remaining friendly and open, Karen let Donna know that there was at least one place where she could come. Karen met small requests of Donna's, such as buying her a certain type of hairbrush after she rejected donated brushes.

Donna's life was not always so out of control. She was born in 1942 in Anchorage, Alaska, where her mother

was an Executive Secretary and her father worked for the Federal Aviation Agency. Donna has always thought of herself as an Artist and as a matter of fact, throughout her school years, she received lots of praise for her art work. Donna married, worked as a secretary and began to raise a boy and a girl. In the early 70's, her marriage broke up and Donna met a guy who turned her on to smoking pot. One day, he gave her something that turned out to be laced with PCP. Donna says she went to sleep on a Thursday and woke up on a Saturday, having lost her job. Without a job, she lost her apartment and moved in with a friend. That didn't work out, and because she was becoming increasingly depressed, her friend dropped her off at Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute where she voluntarily admitted herself for two weeks. However the two weeks turned into four months. Donna reports they could not find the right medicine for her until one of the psychiatrists suggested Navane. Three days later she was discharged.

This began a long cycle, alternating short stays at Northern Virginia Mental Health Institute with periods of having her own apartment and several cats while doing stints as a secretary. There were times she says she lived like "riff-raff, everywhere and anywhere." From 1986 to 1989, Donna again had several good years. She was in housing with her cats, but by 2000 she had gone off her medication and was soon living in the woods. These were among the darkest times. She saw the sign for the shelter by the Court House, spent the night and got some clean clothes. I remember driving through Arlington and seeing Donna walking the streets or standing in front of the fast food places on Glebe Road, looking disheveled or disoriented.

Donna started coming to Opportunity Place for a shower and to get something to eat, and Karen began the process of trying to engage her. We were often challenged by her behavior. She would leave the door open while taking a shower or if we gave her an article of clothing, she would sometimes leave it in front of our door where we were sure to stumble on it. Marte said that perhaps it was her way of testing us. Karen hung in there and managed to develop enough of a working relationship to exchange basic communications. Eventually Donna showed Karen her main camping spot. One cold day in February, Donna was arrested for failure to provide ID;

I suspect the officers were concerned about her safety as well. She was sent to Western State Hospital where she was able to receive mental health services. While there, she found Karen's card among her things and contacted her. Karen went to visit her in the hospital and met with her workers. When Karen told the rest of the staff the changes Donna had made, we were all amazed. Meryl Davis of the Arlington County Mental Health Department arranged for Donna to come up to Arlington on a pass to look for an apartment. We were unsuccessful at most places we contacted due to her past credit problems. Donna was getting frustrated and all I could think of was that we had come too far to fail now. As if by magic, I happened to mention Donna's situation to Joe Gardner of M&G Apartments who said he had a beautiful one-bedroom that he would love to rent to her. She could even have a cat. Donna smiled and the light was again shining in her life.

On September 16, 2002 the big day came for her to move in. Meryl Davis set up a meeting in my office with all the key individuals needed to address her ongoing needs. After the meeting, A-SPAN rented a truck. I went to the AMEN furniture bank with the help of another A-SPAN client and picked up everything she needed. When we delivered the furniture to her, Donna had a smile on her face that brought me to tears. Later that month, I took Donna to get her cat, Tucker, her best friend. They give each other hugs. Her biggest challenge today is managing on her small income from social security after her rent and utilities are paid. While talking with Donna about this story, I asked her if she was thankful that the Arlington Police arrested her. At first she started to complain about the episode, but when I reminded her of that smile I had seen on her face the day she moved in, she became quite still and just grinned. I had my answer.

OPPORTUNITY PLACE 2002 FISCAL YEAR REPORT

by Marte Birnbaum, OP Director

The Mission Grows . . .

In September 1994, A-SPAN began outreach to Arlington's homeless population with a single part-time worker deployed to the streets. Over the next few years the program grew with funding from United Way. In 1999, the Outreach Team became part of a larger program called Opportunity Place, a case management and employment center funded in part by a three-year grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which has since been renewed.

Between July 2001 and June 2002, 39 individuals increased their income through employment or benefits and 48 homeless individuals secured permanent

As with A-SPAN's other programs, Opportunity Place, also known as OP, focuses on the subgroup of homeless individuals, sometimes referred to as the "chronically homeless", who frequent streets, shelters and "other places not fit for human habitation". The program's primary goal is to assist clients in achieving stable incomes and housing. Services are based on a three-tier system of direct outreach, case management, and employment services that gradually engage,

assess and address client needs.

Meeting an Increased Need. . .

During our most recent fiscal year (July 1st, 2001 through June 30th, 2002), 424 men, woman and children were served by OP staff, an increase over the number served last year (320), including 17 minors under the age of 18 and 16 persons over the age of 62. (An additional 43 people were observed but were not directly "served"

by Opportunity Place and are not included in these statistics.)

Demographic trends . . .

The majority of OP clients were men (345 or 81%); however, the number of women served increased from 55 the previous year to 79 women served during this year. The number of families served increased as well, from 6 to 9 families. Racial and ethnic demographics remained similar to previous years and include African-American, Latino and Caucasian individuals. 13% of clients served were veterans. The majority of OP clients, 80%, have mental health or substance abuse issues, or are dually diagnosed with both issues. Some are "triple diagnosed" with additional issues such as HIV/AIDS or chronic medical problems. A significant portion have an unclear immigration status, further complicated by ever changing regulations.

Goals and Outcomes. . .

Of the 424 clients, 97 received emergency goods and services and only general counseling, remaining at the outreach level of "informal engagement". 139 clients were "formally engaged" and received program referrals to services such as shelters, substance abuse treatment, mental health services, and medical treatment. 188 clients entered into Case Management and received additional services including benefits applications for persons with disabilities, employment services, housing searches, and long-term goal planning and counseling. 97 of the 188 clients in case management received transitional employment services, 39 individuals increased their income through employment or by receipt of benefits, and 48 homeless individuals gained housing.

Client Feedback . . .

A-SPAN's client advisory committee launched last year (presently inactive) provided useful feedback to A-SPAN on service issues including the suggestion that soft fruits or fruit salads be substituted for apples in the bagged meal program due to the extent of dental problems among consumers.

Another issue raised was the extent of the intake time at the EWS. This has been greatly shortened by using A-SPAN's home grown database which can assign

clients who are returning to the shelter from the previous night into their same beds automatically, print tickets and bed lists and complete other tasks in a fraction of the time that it took to complete manually. This season we have continued our emphasis on coordinating services between the EWS and OP including increasing the number of nights that OP staff visit the shelter to 4 nights per week on a regular basis.

Partnerships & In-Kind Support. . .

During this fiscal year, through the County's HSCC and OP initiatives, Opportunity Place continued its collaboration with other service providers to increase access to services for clients and to bring other services to OP, including a County substance abuse counselor and access to a clinical trials coordinator.

Numerous in-kind donations allowed staff to continue to distribute clothes, blankets, hygiene supplies, towels and shower vouchers at street sites and at OP.

Staff continued the successful practice of recycling excess donations to Goodwill in exchange for clothing vouchers which clients use to shop for clothes at Goodwill stores.

Like other agencies that address issues with the poorest of the poor, we have seen an across the board increase in demand for our services. In response to the rising number of persons living on the street, additional funding is being sought to augment our outreach hours and increase our ability to "reach-out". With the help of your donations and assistance we expect to continue to increase our successes.

Hall of Fame

This is your opportunity to nominate individuals or groups for induction into A-SPAN's Hall of Fame during our Awards Dinner on April 5, 2003, to join those inducted at our Tenth Anniversary Celebration in November, 2001:

- Arlington Interfaith Council
- St. George's Episcopal Church
- Infinite Photo & Imaging
- Ron Carlee
- Tom Leckey
- Randolph Elementary School
- Marianne Moerman
- Dave Crocker
- Davvy Clardy
- Pam Juhl

Please send nominations to A-SPAN, P.O. Box 1554, Arlington, VA 22210 Attn: Lora Rinker, or Email to LoraRinker@aol.com.

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