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# Leadership Franklin County

## Alumni of the Year

### 2016 Janet Pollard



Janet is a 1998 graduate of the LFC Community Program and has a long and varied career in service to the Franklin County Community. Janet has worked in both the public and private sectors, has been published in the Cumberland Valley Journal on a wide variety of subjects, developed the Chambersburg Heritage Center, was a key partner in developing Central Pennsylvania's Civil War Trails: Prelude to Gettysburg, and revived the Franklin County Visitor's Bureau (FCVB) leading it to become an independent organization. Under Janet's leadership the FCVB has created the annual recreation of the Burning of Chambersburg, Spring into History and most recently the FCVB has purchased the vacant 15 South Main Street bank building to be renovated and become the new home of FCVB.

Janet has also been very active as a volunteer in the community. Be it as a leader in the Girl Scouts, Fayetteville Elementary Parent Teacher Association Executive Council member, Citizen's Action Committee member, state level tourist organizations such as "Once Upon a Nation" or leading a LFC Community History session, Janet shows leadership by example and mentoring to many others. Janet makes each and every day a living example of personal motivation and relentless productivity; seeking new ways to expand her reach and contribution to the betterment of every community in Franklin County.

### 2015 Brenda Hefner



A graduate of the LFC Community Class of 2003 Brenda has served on many roles in many organizations. She has served on the LFC Community Steering Committee, helped lead the strategic plan to develop not the LFC Youth and Advanced Programs, lead an update of curriculum of the LFC Youth program as committee chair, served on and chaired the Board of Directors of the Greater Chambersburg Chamber Foundation, helped found Scoop-A-Palooza, teaches Sunday school at her church, mentors youth and sings in the choir. In her professional life she has worked for Menno Haven, Patriot Federal Credit Union and Roxbury Treatment Center. Though her favorite role is that of "Mimi" to her three energetic grandsons.

### 2014 Amy Seiders



Amy is a graduate of the LFC Community Class of 2007 and has proven herself as a committed community member in the short time since then. She is a mortgage originator for Middletown Valley Bank and has also held positions at F&M Trust, Patriot Federal Credit Union and BB&T. After graduating from LFC Community she became a coach for a project team before moving to the steering committee where she has served for 6 years, 2 of which as Committee Chair. She also gives many hours outside of work volunteering for Pop A Cork for the Capitol, CrabFeast, Oktoberfest, Scoop-A-Palooza, and Mercersburg Townfest to name a few. After completing her service with LFC Community, she moved over to the LFC Youth program to continue to help develop future leaders.



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### 2013 Charles (Chuck) E. Nelson



A graduate of the 1st Leadership Program, Chuck is the former President and CEO of Sentry Trust Company and has also held various positions with Dauphin Deposit Banks & Trust Company and Valley Bank and Trust Company. In addition to his many professional accomplishments, Chuck has also served as President of the Capitol Theatre Foundation, a member of the Chambersburg YMCA Board of Trustees, a member of Menno Haven/Penn Hall Board of Directors, a member of Penn State Mont Alto Board of Directors, and has lent his time and expertise to numerous other organizations. Pam Anderson, LFC Alumni of the Year for 2011 stated, "I don't see any major community organizations that he has not been a part of." Additionally, Chuck was very instrumental in the development of the Leadership Franklin County Program and served as the 1st Chair of the Program when it was still called "Leadership Chambersburg." Chuck has added great value to our community and truly exemplifies community service and community leadership. His efforts have had an innumerable impact on Franklin County.

### 2012 Maria Banks



Maria has been involved with Leadership Franklin County for five years---since she was a student in the program. After she graduated from LFC, she joined the youth leadership steering committee, which was working to create a new program targeting high school sophomores, similar to the adult program. Shortly after joining this committee, she was recruited to be a mentor for the community program. Over the last several years, she has become a reliable, consistent facilitator and leader for both of these programs. She attends all of the youth leadership sessions throughout the year and facilitates the cultural diversity session in the community program. Her passion for youth and her vocation in mental health have added great value to our programs. Moreover, she creates a safe space for students to have an honest discussion about hard topics. In addition to her commitment to Leadership Franklin County, she is the Vice President of the Board of Director's of Network Ministries, she sits on the Healthy Communities Partnerships Community Coalition, mentors youth in the after school program at Stephen's Elementary School and is an active member of King Street Church. And those are just her service roles. Her day job is as a Behavioral Specialist and Truancy Officer for Chambersburg Area School District. Maria Banks has found the

### 2011 Pam Anderson



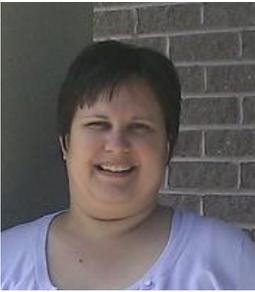
Pam is the owner of Anderson Construction. She has a Masters Degree in Speech Pathology, which she used until her career change in 1991. Pam is past President of the Franklin County Builders Association and past chair of the National Association of Home Builders Student Chapter Advisory Board. Locally, she has chaired the Chambersburg Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and the American Heart Association Heart Walk; is the Vice President of the United Way of Franklin County Board of Directors and was the 2011 Campaign Chair; co-chaired the Cumberland Valley Animal Shelter Campaign Committee and is honorary co-chair of the Women In Need Campaign Committee; and is a member of the Chambersburg Rotary. Pam has been honored with several awards: 1998 Franklin County Builder of the Year, 2000 Pennsylvania Small Contractor of the Year, 2005 Athena Award, 2008 Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year, and 2012 Leadership Franklin County Alumni of the Year.



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### 2010 Jenna Kaczmarek



Jenna is the COO Of Patriot Federal Credit Union and previously served as President and CEO of Community of Healthcare Employees Credit Union. She has served on the Board of Directors for the Chambersburg Council for the Arts and has been highly involved in the Leadership Franklin County Program. She was involved with establishing the LFC Youth Program, Chaired the LFC Community Program and is currently involved in the LFC Advanced Program.

### 2009 David Keller



Franklin County Commissioner David Keller graduated from Franklin & Marshall College in 1991 where he studied government. He continues to support Leadership Franklin County and many other community organizations. Organizations that he is or had been involved in include Franklin County Prison Board, Coyle Free Library and Franklin County Area Development Corporation.

### 2008 Marian Witherow



**Marian K. Witherow** is the founder and principal of Witherow & Company LLC, and is a certified strategic planning consultant. Her consulting efforts have spanned twenty states plus the District of Columbia. She also serves various educational institutions and non-profit agencies. Her clients include American, Swiss, and German-owned businesses. Marian holds a B.S. in Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania where she majored in social sciences and secondary education. In 1987, she earned a MBA from Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania. She completed graduate courses at Wesley Seminary in Washington, D.C. Elected to numerous boards and executive committees, Marian K. Witherow serves as a faculty member of the Leadership Franklin County program sponsored by the Greater Chambersburg Chamber Foundation, and a board member of the United Way of Franklin County and Lutheran Home Care & Hospice. She has served as a board member and chair of the strategic planning committee for the Council for the Arts in Chambersburg, PA. Marian was a past president and founding associate of the Cumberland Valley Chapter of the Association for Quality and Participation (AQP). In 2009, she received the *Inaugural Leadership Franklin County Alumni Award*. Marian resides at Blue Ridge Summit, PA.