



## **BUSINESS ASSOCIATION OF WEST PARKSIDE RECOGNITION AWARDS**

### **2014 Nominees**

**NANCY KOLB AWARD** –Celebrating a business who has an excellent business model and is an exemplary community steward.

#### ***Septa***

Listened to community concerns and worked to enable buses to service the customers and employees of the shopping center and the industrial park by creating new routes. Septa also built the bus turn around to serve the shopping center and the business community. They have modeled a responsible business attitude by responding to complaints and concerns promptly.

#### ***Philadelphia Phillies***

The Philadelphia Phillies have been crucial to the success of the creation of the Philadelphia Stars Negro League Memorial Park and the annual Jackie Robinson Day that BAWP hosts. This business has modeled their desire to work with and acknowledge the entire community of Philadelphia.

#### ***The Hamilton Family Foundation***

The Hamilton Family Foundation has been a wealth of support to the Parkside area by assisting and contributing to the redevelopment of the Concourse Lake, moving the Please Touch Museum to this area, and continue improvements to the Zoo.

**AMBASSADOR AWARD** – Celebrating an individual who exemplifies the spirit of West Parkside and who, through their efforts and actions, is a tireless advocate for our community residents and businesses.

#### ***Captain Bologna of the 19<sup>th</sup> District***

Captain Bologna of the 19<sup>th</sup> district police force has shown through his efforts, a constant desire to make this neighborhood safer. His attention to the communities needs and desires while maintaining the law have revealed a genuine Parkside advocate.

#### ***Lauren Bornfriend***

Lauren Bornfriend has been a tireless advocate for our Parks, making sure that our community is kept beautiful and clean. Her knowledge on legislation and her persistence on acting has kept our parks thriving.

***Robert Zakian***

Robert Zakian and his family have has been a business member of this community for over 90s. He has been an active contributor and sponsor to local community events. He was an original board member of the Business Association of West Parkside and has continued to voice his opinions in favor of the neighborhood.

**CIVIC LEADERSHIP AWARD** – Celebrating an elected or government official who has provided critical leadership and who represents the interests and greater benefit of the Business Association of West Parkside.

***Michael DiBerardinis***

Michael DiBerardinis is Commissioner of the Parks and Recreation Department, as well as Special Advisor to the Mayor on the Free Libraries. He has overseen the merger of the Fairmount Park Commission and the Department of Recreation which became effective July 1, 2010. In this past year Michael DiBerardinis was actively involved with Fairmount Park Conservancy and Penn Praxis in doing a study on Fairmount Park and creating new ways to improve park access for communities along the park edge, residents of Philadelphia, and visitors to the city.

***Councilman Curtis Jones Jr.***

Councilman Curtis Jones Jr. is the 4<sup>th</sup> District City Councilman and has served since 2008. He has worked on several pieces of important city legislation including, but not limited to, the Philadelphia Mortgage Diversion Program, the Philadelphia Internship Tax Credit, the Witness Intimidation Law. He has made himself and his office accessible to the BAWP, working on behalf of local businesses.

***Mayor Michael Nutter***

Mayor Michael Nutter has been a longtime civic leader in the West Parkside community. Prior to being elected for Mayor of Philadelphia in 2007, he was the 4<sup>th</sup> districts City Council Representative. He was Councilman from 1991 to 2006. During his tenure as Councilman and Mayor he impacted major development and progress in this area, which are too numerous to list.