

Awards

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stage and accepted this award on behalf of all the pastors and churches that were not only nominated, but throughout this city," said Bishop. He continued, "We are family because we are members of the body of Christ."

The Paulette Lewis-Moore and Carl H. Russell Lifetime Achievement

wouldn't have a job.

"To see someone recognize that just means the world to us. It just gives us the fuel to do some more."

Following the event, nominees and sponsors gathered for a reception on the top floor of the K. R. Williams Auditorium.

Sponsors for the event were: the City of Winston-Salem, Winston-Salem Transit Authority, Wells Fargo, Wake Forest



Photos by Tevin Stinson

More than 1,000 people attended the Community Service Awards on June 1 at K. R. Williams Auditorium on the Winston-Salem State University campus.



Mayor Allen Joines and Mayor Pro Tempore Vivian Burke enjoy a performance at the Community Service Awards.

Awards were presented to City Council Member Denise "D.D." Adams and Superior Court Judge Logan Todd Burke. Attorney Kerry Sigler and Cedric Russell received Special Recognition Awards. City native and cancer survivor Tanisha Gist was presented the "I'm A Survivor" award.

While backstage, Ken Edwards, IFB Solutions vice president of consolidated logistics, said, "It's amazing. We work every day to create jobs for people who otherwise

Baptist Health, Reynolds American Inc., Winston-Salem State University, HanesBrands Inc., Food Lion, Triad Minority Business Expo, Russell Funeral Home, Dikie The Geek Computer & Printing Services, Mansion House of Designs, The Arts Council of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County, BB&T, and Steel Impressions Entertainment.

Here's a list of the categories, nominees and winners. Winners in each category are marked with **

And the winners are...

YOUTH OF THE YEAR

- Shi Belcher
- **Chef J'Avia Carter-Blue**
- Imani and Nia Joins
- Aubrianna Lash
- Kyndall Williams
- Kymora Wright-Carter (Kymora's Kookies)

- Inmar
- Sonoco
- Wake Forest Innovation Quarter

SENIOR OF THE YEAR

- Sarah Brooks
- **Dr. Althea Taylor-Jones**
- Claudette Turner
- Chuck Vestal

ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

- **Hoops 4 L.Y.F.E**
- Lead Girls NC
- Masons
- Neighbors for Better Neighborhoods

CHURCH OF THE YEAR

- **First Waughtown Baptist Church**
- Mt. Zion Baptist Church
- New Jerusalem Baptist Church
- Phillips Chapel Baptist Church

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

- Corey McCann
- **Effrainguan Muhammad**
- Arleatha Patterson
- Alvin Robinson

WOMAN OF THE YEAR

- Pastor Tembila Covington
- Melissa Harris-Perry
- **Miranda Jones**
- Cheryl Lindsay

FINE ARTS AWARD

- **Larry Barron Jr. (LB The Poet)**
- Ellen Leak-Forbes (DJ Diamond)
- Lynn Rhoades
- Bobby Roebuck

MAN OF THE YEAR

- Rev. Alvin Carlisle
- Sheriff Bobby Kimbrough
- **Reginald McCaskill**
- Evan Raleigh

THE CHRONICLE INNOVATION AWARD

- **IFB Solutions**

McCaskill, Jones named Man & Woman of the Year

BY TEVIN STINSON
THE CHRONICLE

Reginald McCaskill and Miranda Jones joined the ranks of local legends such as Larry Leon Hamlin and Dr. Virginia Newell last Saturday night when they were named Man and Woman of the Year during The Chronicle's Community Service Awards.

A native of Jacksonville, Florida, McCaskill is the president and CEO of Maximum Enterprises Inc., the host of the Triad Minority & Women's Business Expo. Since starting the Expo in 2013, McCaskill has helped hundreds of small business

event, held annually at the Benton Convention Center, features more than 150 vendors, live entertainment, celebrity guests, and several workshops. McCaskill also serves as the assistant secretary of the Minsters' Conference of Winston-Salem and Vicinity. He is a member of the Psi Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Other nominees for the Man of the Year were: Sheriff Bobby Kimbrough; president of the Winston-Salem NAACP Rev. Alvin Carlisle; and Assistant City Manager Evan Raleigh.

While speaking with The Chronicle backstage

the work that he does for the community. He said God put it in his heart to start the Expo and he hasn't looked back since.

"I'm excited and elated and very thankful to be honored for the work that I do for the community and in the community, but it's not about me, it's about the people that I serve," said McCaskill. "I've always been passionate about serving people that don't have the outlet that major Fortune 500 companies have. God placed it in my heart to start the Triad Minority & Women's Business Expo six years ago and it has grown tremendously and we're even



Photos by Alphonso Abbott Jr.

Miranda Jones receives the Woman of the Year Award at the Community Service Awards on June 1.

to people." For her willingness to stand up for social equity in our community, Jones was named 2019 Woman of the Year. A local educator, Jones may be best known for her push with Hate Out of Winston, a local activist group, to keep the heat on city officials to have the Confederate statue removed from the corner of Fourth and Liberty Streets downtown. And even when faced with adversity, Jones has vowed to stand up for what she believes is right. In April Jones received a subpoena to appear in court from the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the owners of the Confederate monument.

When host Busta Brown announced her as Woman of the Year, Jones

said she was shocked beyond belief. She said, "I didn't think I stood a chance because those are very formidable black women."

"I'm really honored. I was glad to just be nominated. I'm still in awe and I think I'll be in awe for a

while," said Jones. "What I see happening to black and brown children in our school system propels me. I want them to have a better world, a better Winston-Salem, than we have now. So that keeps me going."



Reginald McCaskill is the recipient of the 2019 Man of the Year Award.

owners gain exposure and helped countless inspiring business owners put their plans in motion. The

after accepting his award, McCaskill said he was thankful to be honored for

looking for bigger and better things this year. It's all about just being of service

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