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Loudoun Laurels Foundation Announces 2020 Laureate

The Loudoun Laurels Foundation has selected its 2020 Laureate. The honoree is businessman and philanthropist Chuck Kuhn. An active business leader for over 38 years, he has worked or lived in Loudoun County since 1994. He is well known for his humanitarian, land preservation and conservation, and community-oriented efforts throughout.

At the age of 16, while attending W.T. Woodson High School in Annandale, Mr. Kuhn created JK Moving Services. In 1982, he started his company in the basement of his childhood home with just two employees. Today, JK Moving Services is one of the largest employers in Loudoun, and the largest independent moving company in North America. In 1997, Mr. Kuhn founded Capital Relocation Services, LLC which provides global relocation services.

Mr. Kuhn has a deep commitment to preservation of the natural and historic resources of Loudoun. In the past 10 years, he has preserved more than 5,000 acres in Loudoun, Fauquier, and Frederick Counties through the Virginia Conservation Easement Program.

Mr. Kuhn also established the JK Community Farm, south of Round Hill. The farm is operated as an organic farm facility for the benefit of Loudoun Hunger Relief, providing over 50,000 pounds of desperately needed fresh fruits, vegetables, and meats to Loudoun residents. Mr. Kuhn and his wife, Stacy, live on Egypt Farm in Lincoln with their nine children.

The Loudoun Laurels Foundation is committed to honoring exceptional community service for the benefit of Loudoun County citizens and to developing future civic leaders through scholarships and mentorships. Each year, the Foundation honors Loudoun County citizens whose commitment to the Loudoun Community through, leadership, community service and philanthropy have helped make Loudoun County a great place in which to live and work. In addition to honoring exceptional community service for the benefit of Loudoun County residents, the Loudoun Laurels Foundation is committed to developing future civic leaders through scholarships and mentorships.

Earlier this year, the Foundation announced the recipient of its 2020 Loudoun Laurels Stewardship Trust scholarship, Breni Portales-Escobar. She is a graduate of Park View High School. Ms. Portales-Escobar will attend the University of Virginia and plans to enter its pre-med program.

Each year the Foundation awards one or more scholarships to Loudoun County Public School (LCPS) students. The students are first generation college attendees who participate in LCPS' College Achievement Minority Program for Unique Students (CAMPUS) or the national Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program. The scholarships are in the amount of \$40,000, dispersed in \$10,000 annual increments during the students' four-year undergraduate studies. Since 2013, the Loudoun Laurels Stewardship Trust has awarded \$840,00 in scholarships to LCPS students.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Loudoun Laurels Foundation has postponed its annual gala to honor its 2020 Laureates and scholars. They, together with the 2021 Laureates and scholars will be honored at the 2021 gala which will be held on September 24, 2021 at Lansdowne Resort.

Prior Loudoun Laurels honorees are Childs F. Burden, G. Kimball Hart, Eugene M. Scheel, Karen Hatcher Russell, Paul Ziluca, The Honorable Joe T. May, Lang and Judy Washburn, James P. Roberts, The Honorable Robert E. Sevila, Stanley Caulkins, Fred Drummond, Edgar B. Hatrick, Su Webb, Joe Boling, Dr. John H Cook III, Cate Magennis Wyatt, J. Hamilton Lambert, Margaret Morton, The Honorable Thomas D. Horne, The Honorable Betsy Davis, Bill Harrison, Fred and Karen Schaufeld, Al P. Van Huyck, Kristina Bouweiri and Di Cook.

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