

Arlington County Civic Federation
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The Civic Voice of Arlington

PRESIDENT'S AWARD
MILEVA HARTMAN

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The Presidents award is independent of the Award Committee selections and was started by President Jim Pebley in order to recognize a few whose contribution to the Civic Federation was not otherwise recognized but, had a significant impact during the year. I follow in that tradition as I did last year. Notably, last year among others, I honored our Webmasters who have continued to both put in significant time as well as to go far beyond what is expected in that role.

This year has been particularly difficult since we had relied so much in years past on our beloved Frances Finta as Membership chair in covering all aspects of that role. Moreover, given the changing nature of communications in today's world, we knew we needed to adapt and change our own methods. The transition has been difficult and you have already heard about Peter Olivere's role in this effort.

However, quietly and sometimes not so quietly, are the efforts of Mileva Hartman. Mileva assumed the role of Membership Chair in June of last year. Moreover, since we lost such a key resource and knowledge base in Frances – someone else had to not only fulfill Frances's role in "keeping the trains running on time" but, operate without benefit of the history that previously existed. Without her penchant for detail, relentless effort in obtaining missing information and transitioning to a more modern records system - we would all be lost. Without her help in transitioning to the first stage of electron communication so vital in today's world – we would be lost. Without her help in striving for correctness and consistency in all material – newsletters, awards, reports, etc. we would be lost. Without her help in dealing with membership issues we would be lost. I could go on and on – there are too many areas in which she has been involved – many beyond the Membership Chair's role. Suffice it to say, Mileva has been a key player in the success of the Civic Federation this past year!

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is with great pleasure that I present this President's Award to Mileva Hartman.

Lawrence R. Mayer, President, Arlington County Civic Federation