

New Community Celebrates Its 50th Anniversary



New Community Founder Monsignor William J. Linder received a standing ovation as CEO Richard Rohrman helped him make his way to the front of the ballroom at the New Community 50th Anniversary Gala March 3. The event honored NCC's five decades of service as well as Monsignor Linder for his vision for the organization.

CEO Richard Rohrman. "It was also a much deserved opportunity to thank the New Community family and staff who make us who we are, and support us every day. It was good friends, good food, good music and an all-around good time."

Claremont Construction Group Inc., which has been associated with New Community for decades, served as the Anniversary Sponsor for the event. The company has been instrumental in many NCC projects, including the recent completion of A Better Life, New Community's newest facility to serve the chronically homeless, and the current renovation projects at four of NCC's Newark properties.

"What they did for us, especially with this event, they're spectacular," Monsignor Linder said of Claremont. "More things wouldn't happen in New Community if it wasn't for them."

Rohrman provided a welcome message and thanked everyone in attendance for their support and dedication to New Community's mission.

Monsignor Linder also provided remarks, commenting that he was happy to be present to see New Community reach the 50-year milestone.

Mistress of Ceremonies Diane Johnson, retired field office director for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and a consultant for NCC, talked about the many offerings of New Community, which provides services to inner city residents of all ages, from day care to a nursing home.

Current board members Newton Richards and Madge Wilson received plaques recognizing their five decades of service to New Community.

A highlight of the gala was the presentation of a video showcasing Monsignor Linder and stories from those who know him well. It also featured several people who have directly benefited from New Community's services.

Withum provided the Cocktail Reception Sponsorship for the gala. Ferry Carpet, Newark Cabinets, PharmScript, Prudential, PSE&G and Silva's Mechanical Services served as Platinum Sponsors. Gold Sponsors included Gensinger Motors, Jasinski, Medline, National Foundation of Affordable Housing Solutions Inc., Sandy Hill Foundation, TD Bank and Wells Fargo. New Community thanks all sponsors for their contributions, which made the 50th Anniversary Gala possible.

New Community staff, residents and supporters gathered to celebrate New Community Corporation's five decades of service and honor Founder Monsignor William J. Linder at the 50th Anniversary Gala March 3.

Guests dressed in suits and gowns enjoyed a cocktail reception, formal dinner and dancing at the Hilton Meadowlands in East Rutherford. Music was provided by Kit McClure Band, an all-female big band.

"The 50th Anniversary Gala was such a wonderful night. We honored Monsignor Linder for his leadership and vision and Madge Wilson and Newton Richards for their long service as members of our Board of Directors," said New Community



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Diane Johnson was the Mistress of Ceremonies for the 50th Anniversary Gala. She talked about how New Community serves residents in inner cities of all ages.



Newark Central Ward Councilwoman Gayle Chaneyfield Jenkins, whose father Joe Chaneyfield was an original New Community Board Member; NCC CEO Richard Rohrman; and retired HUD Field Office Director Diane Johnson at the NCC 50th Anniversary Gala.



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