The Washington Times

2002
Two Decades of Dedication and Distinction

20th Anniversary Celebration Banquet

Tuesday the 21st of May 2002

The Hilton Washington Hotel International Ballroom 1919 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
Program

Color Guard
United States Marines

Invocation
The Honorable Reverend Walter E. Fauntroy

Greetings
Douglas Joo, President, The Washington Times Corporation

Dinner
Dinner Entertainment: The Viennese Strings & Children of the Gospel Choir

The Washington Times Student Essay Contest
2002 Awards

Congratulatory Remarks
Senator Tim Hutchinson, Rep. Danny Davis & Dr. Laura Schlessinger

Video Presentation
“The Washington Times : Two Decades of Dedication and Distinction”
THE WASHINGTON TIMES TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BANQUET

Introduction
Wesley Pruden, Editor in Chief

Founder's Address
The Reverend Sun Myung Moon

The Washington Times Courage In Leadership Awards

International: His Excellency Cesar Gaviria

National: The Honorable Reverend Floyd Flake & Michael Joyce

Community: Trooper Michael Middleton
Captain Jerry Roussillon, Captain Stephen McCoy

Musical Selections
Randy Travis

Grand Finale
The Washington Times Courage In Leadership Awards

The Washington Times and The Washington Times Foundation occasionally confer awards for outstanding achievement and excellence in leadership and community service. This year, we are pleased to give The Courage In Leadership Awards to several notable leaders who have shown distinction and courage in leadership in their respective fields of endeavor, often facing seemingly impossible odds. As The Times celebrates its 20th Anniversary representing "Two Decades of Dedication and Distinction," it is our pleasure to honor these courageous leaders.

The International Courage In Leadership Award:
CESAR GAVIRIA

Cesar Gaviria was President of Colombia from 1990 to 1994 and has been Secretary-General of the Organization of American States since 1994. He was elected Councilman in his hometown of Pereira at 23. His career grew steadily, from Pereira’s Mayor, to the national House of Representatives, to House leader, to co-chair of the Colombian Liberal Party, on to Minister of Finance, Minister of the Interior, and President. He is known in Latin America as a conflict mediator, democracy advocate, staunch supporter of regional integration, and defender of human rights.

The National Courage In Leadership Award:
THE HONORABLE REVEREND FLOYD FLAKE

Through the Allen A.M.E. Church in Queens, New York, Rev. Floyd Flake’s ministries serve tens of thousands of underprivileged residents and parishioners in the city and are models for church ministries throughout the nation. His bedrock value is the idea of self-help: help people help themselves. Rev. Flake, who was in the U.S. Congress from 1987 through 1997, is also President of Edison Charter Schools, a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute for Social and Economic Policy, and a columnist for the New York Post.
The National Courage In Leadership Award:
MICHAEL S. JOYCE

Michael S. Joyce is Founder and CEO of Americans for Community and Faith-Centered Enterprise, based in Washington, DC, which seeks to channel government and private funding to small, faith-inspired, social service groups. Joyce, who holds doctorates in politics and education, has served on many presidential and national commissions, including the Presidential Transition Team at the outset of the Reagan years in 1980. He is also director of The Cobalt Corporation, Harp and Eagle Ltd., The Pinkerton Foundation, and The Philanthropy Roundtable.

The Community Courage In Leadership Award:
TROOPER MICHAEL MIDDLETON, CAPTAIN JERRY ROUSSILLON, CAPTAIN STEPHEN McCOY

Many more lives might have been lost on September 11, 2001, at the U.S. Pentagon, were it not for the heroic efforts of police and firefighters. Three will receive the Community Courage In Leadership Award on behalf of all their colleagues who fought to save lives on that day: Trooper Michael Middleton, Virginia State Police, and Captain Jerry Roussillon, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and Captain Stephen McCoy, Arlington County Fire Department.

The Washington Times 20th Anniversary Student Essay Contest Awards

As part of its 20th Anniversary Celebration, The Washington Times initiated a sweeping essay contest for students in grade 3 - 12 in the Washington, DC area. From over 800 submissions, 96 winners were selected in 12 categories. The top twelve winners are being honored tonight, but, in fact, we honor all the young people who submitted entries. Their names are: Valerie G. Peckarsky, Max Koehler, Matthew P. Farrell, Gina Depaul, Bin Yang, Linnay Corley, Graham Spicer, David Kay, Paul Thornley, Cherryce Lynn White, Kim Sorensen and Tara Lester.
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As part of our 20th Anniversary Celebration, The Washington Times Foundation has sponsored the convening of several important national and international conferences here in the nation's capital, designed to address a number of important issues of the day. We welcome all participants here with us tonight.

INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

"United States, Korea, and Japan in the Pacific Era"

This conference brings together elected officials and other leaders from the nations of America, Japan and South Korea to talk about crucial east/west issues as we enter what many are calling "the Pacific era."

AMERICAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

"Making the Dream Real"

Black American leaders from all over the nation have convened to explore new areas of cooperation in leadership to help the Black Community, particularly in restoring healthy families and communities.

AMERICAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

"Creating a Culture of Service"

Volunteer leaders from across the country, including many whose organizations have been honored with awards by the Points of Light Foundation, have convened to discuss strengthening volunteerism and working together to solve community problems.