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Distinguished Citizen Dinner Honoring Grant Hafley



April 25, 2013

Muskingum Valley Council, BSA

Banquet Chair: Steve Marvin



Grant Hafley, owner of AVC Communications, has a community service record spanning more than 35 years. Grant came to Cambridge in 1971 as operations coordinator for the Ohio Tourist Center. In 1974 he established a recording studio in his home producing radio and television commercials, audio visual presentations and records. He also installed sound reinforcement and paging systems, and had equipment rentals and a mobile disk jockey service, bringing music to teen dances at the

YMCA and to Cambridge City Park dances in the 70s.

Hafley organized dance marathons to raise money for the cancer society, and often helped local schools in various fund raising drives. He served five years as chairman of the Salt Fork Festival.

He built the Centrum, which provided a place for the community to hold meetings and events, as well as weekend dances for teens. He used local access cable Channel 2 to develop a number of programs featuring local people, businesses and organizations. In 1983 Grant acquired ownership of the Cambridge radio stations WILE-AM/FM and formed AVC Communications, Inc. He continued to grow and expand until he owned 6 stations all operated from the company's College Hill Road location. They provide a unique regional coverage to east central Ohio with separate formats, all operating from a central studio location; a revolutionary concept in the broadcasting business which has provided extended public service to Guernsey, Noble and Belmont counties. Hafley also owns radio stations in his native Arizona.

Grant has served the local community in many ways giving leadership to: The Cambridge Area Chamber of Commerce; the Cambridge Area Tourist and Recreation Committee; the Cambridge Barn Theater; the Cambridge Concert Association; The American Cancer Society; The Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra; the Cambridge Alliance for Progress Committee which brought the Main Street Program to Cambridge. He was named Man of the Year by the Daily & Sunday Jeffersonian in 1976; he was the first president of the Degenhart Paperweight and Glass Museum; he is one of the founding fathers of the Cambridge Foundation, he served 10 years as an associate producer of the Miss Ohio Pageant, he funded a Muskingum University Scholarship in the name of former AVC Engineer John McCance; he donated equipment and helped with facilities for the electronic current events class at Cambridge High school; he has long supported numerous other local causes.

The Guernsey County Courthouse Holiday Light Show was Hafley's brainchild. He came up with the idea to help draw visitors to the downtown area, and generously provided the funding to develop and create the show.

In 2004 Hafley received the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Public Service Award. In 2008 the Cambridge Rotary Club presented him with the "Service Above Self Award," and in 2009 he received the John Sidlo Standard of Excellence for Vision, Leadership and Legacy Award.

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Dinner

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Honoring Grant Hafley:

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Dave Wilson

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Honoree's RemarksGrant Hafley

Closing Remarks Dave Wilson

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