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**Commitment to Excellence Banquet Honoring
William F. Randles
May 5, 2004**



William F. (Bill) Randles spent his entire career in the communications industry, beginning with the Western Union Telegraph Company in Chicago in the early 1950's. After a two-year tour of duty with the United States Army Signal Corp., he returned to Western Union for a brief period in 1957 before making a career change to the then fledgling cable television industry.

Randles began his cable career building one of the early cable television systems in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. Throughout the 1960's and early 1970's, he was instrumental in planning, franchising, building and managing cable systems in Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. In the mid-1970's, he became a cable entrepreneur. He and a partner formed Cablentertainment Inc., with headquarters in

Zanesville, to build and acquire cable television systems in seven states. That company was sold to Telecommunications, Inc., in 1987. Randles remained as a senior executive with TCI Inc., until that company was purchased by Time Warner.

Industry-wide, Randles is known for his work with the Ohio Cable Television Association. He is a charter member and honorary life member and past president of the organization. He is also a member of the Great Lakes Cable TV Hall of Fame and a member of The National Cable Television Association Cable Pioneers.

Randles has always been an active member of the Zanesville Community. He is a past president of the United Way, the Convention Facilities Board and the Community Improvement Corp. He is a former director and founding member of the Muskingum County Port Authority Board a founding trustee and trustee *emeritus* of the Muskingum County Community Foundation and a member of the Business Advisory Council for Zanesville City Schools. He is past director and chairman of the First National Bank and BancFirst Ohio Corp., a former director of the Bethesda Health Foundation, Bethesda Care Life and the Genesis Healthcare Advisory Board.

Although Randles retired in April of 2002 from the cable television industry and last December from Unizan Bank, he maintains an active interest in local business. He and his wife, Cheryl, live in Zanesville and enjoy traveling. His son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Halle Randles, and their children, Clare and Tyler, live in Zanesville. His daughter and son-in-law Lisa and Tim Norris and their children, Payton and Maya, also live in Zanesville.

2004 Commitment to Excellence Banquet

William F. Randles

6:00 p.m. May 5, 2004

Zanesville Country Club

WelcomeJohn Raytis, Master of Ceremonies

**Opening Ceremony.....Boy Scout Troop 126,
Chartered by Trinity United Presbyterian Church**

Dinner

**Introduction of Banquet Committee and Honored Guests
.....John Raytis**

Honoring Mr. Randles

- Don Mason**
- Senator Joy Padgett**
- Mike Pockl**
- Jim Ronshausen**
- Dr. Karl Saunders**
- Steve Randles**

Awards

**Presentation of Awards.....John Harding,
Scout Executive**

RebuttalWilliam Randles

Closing RemarksJohn Raytis