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### 2010 Committee of the Year: MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Arianna Gleckel,** right, accepted the 2010 Committee of the Year Award on behalf of the Membership Development Committee from **Philip Keating**, left.

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#### 2010 Chair's Award:

### THE SHOOSHAN COMPANY

Kevin Shooshan, along with Kelly Shooshan, both right, and John Shooshan, left, accepted the 2010 Chair's Award on behalf of The Shooshan Company from 2010 Chair Philip Keating, center.





#### 2010 President's Award:

### RON NOVAK, SEGUE TECHNOLOGIES

**Ron Novak** of **Segue Technologies**, left, received the 2010 President's Award. The award was presented by Chamber President Rich Doud and **Philip Keating**, both right.

# In Loving Memory of Philip Keating



Philip M. Keating

This space in our Annual Report is normally taken up by parting remarks from our outgoing Chair. In lieu of such remarks, we are reprinting the press release sent by member law firm Bean, Kinney & Korman, where 2010 Chamber Chair Phil Keating practiced.

#### Bean Kinney mourns the loss of friend and colleague Philip Keating

**T** t is with deepest sadness that **Bean**, **Kinney & Korman** informs our community that our friend and colleague Philip **M. Keating** passed away suddenly Tuesday night, at the age of 51. Phil joined Bean Kinney in 2004, and was a shareholder of the firm with a successful employment and immigration law practice. Phil was deeply involved in the Arlington community and was the 2010 Chairman of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce. He was well known by many in this community for his gracious demeanor, terrific sense of humor and genuine personality. He was also a prominent contributor to his practice area, presenting often to audiences throughout the region and having published numerous articles on related topics.

Phil was a native of New Jersey. He earned his B.A. from Rutgers and received his J.D. with honors from George Washington University. He was married with three children. "Phil was a very positive person; he had a great sense of humor and it was a pleasure to work with him every day," said Leo Fisher, managing shareholder at Bean, Kinney & Korman." "He was just one of the kindest people you know."

Phil's absence will be profoundly evident and he will be sincerely missed by all who knew him.





**Our Friend Lives On** 

The business of life carries on, albeit on a somber note in the loss of a good friend of mine and to the community. Last year's Arlington Chamber Chairman, Phil Keating, is remembered by the love, and dedication he had for his family, law practice, and so many aspects of this community, including the Chamber. We are all better for his life in ours. In every event, program, and initiative we engage in this year, we remember his contributions of intellect, compassion, and the pure enjoyment he found in life. His impact and contributions cannot be measured in his brief time with us, but will be measured for generations to come through his family, his love, leadership, and the example he set. We will all work harder to honor his involve-

ment in the community, the Chamber and in our lives.

2011 Chair's Message

The Chamber year continues and is in full swing. The Chamber Gala held in January once again earned the accolade of Arlington's Best Night Out, and a truly great time was had by all. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous night with great friends, music, food, drink and a wide array of silent auction selections. Thank you to those who joined us and to the sponsors who made the event possible. Many thanks and congratulations go to Rich, Kate, Erica, Deborah, Tami, Gaby and Susan for their heroic efforts, and to cochairs John Murphy and Brian Steffan for the success of this great event.

Despite the trying times experienced by both business and government over the past few years, the Chamber continues to build on the many accomplishments during that time. Whenever something seemed challenging, my grandmother would often say adversity builds character and that character will carry us through; sometimes difficult times help us to better prioritize our most important relationships. In business we understand how the integrity and synergy of relationships with our colleagues, constituents and customers affect us, and can carry us through good times as well as bad. The chamber works hard to build and maintain productive relationships among Arlington businesses and government to improve the marketplace in the community for all. In almost everything we do, and almost everything you will read about in this issue, there are vital opportunities to support and be a part of these great relationships and values.

Over the last several years we have experienced a heightened awareness about the synergy between government and business. For some this has been a positive, even critical, relationship for survival. For others it has added even more costly regulatory challenges not present before. In many ways government has come to more fully recognize the vital role a healthy business environment plays in the overall health of the community, and in particular the importance of job sustainment and creation in sustaining the services, programs, education and physical environment we all enjoy and rely on. The ideal balance is naturally different in various industries, so we need to be intentional about how and where we emphasize advocacy in the best interest of our membership and community. The time to strengthen these relationships is now.

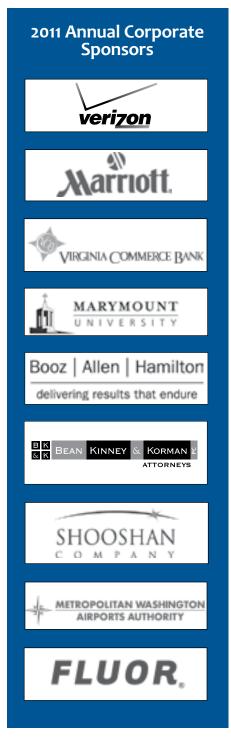
The Chamber Government Affairs and Economic Development Committee is hard at work and welcomes your involvement. February also kicks off the Opportunity Works campaign, which engages the community in support of activities and provides many fun and productive venues for involvement. Please be on the lookout for ways you can share your talents and benefit most from your membership.

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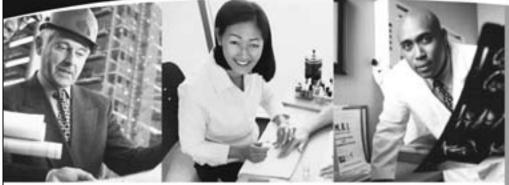
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From Left:

Deborah Kunin, Member Services Administrator Kate Roche, Director of Member Services and Development Gaby Zamora, Publications Coordinator Rich Doud, President Erica Pristas, Director of Membership Susan Townsend, Web Coordinator Tami Anderson, Staff Accountant





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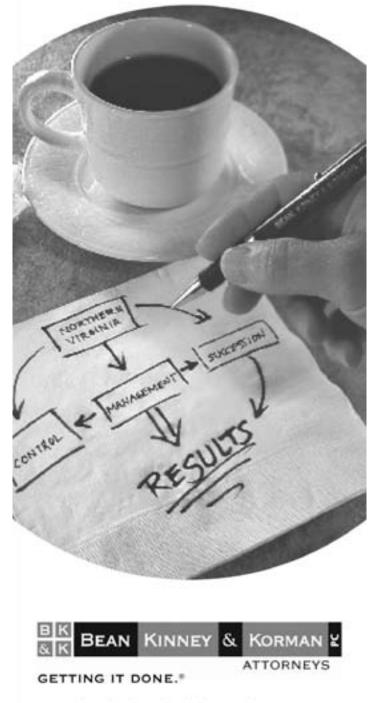


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Charles Clohan is with Dittmar Company, a privately owned developer and property management firm, which has been serving the Northern Virginia area for over 50 years. Clohan is primarily involved in the property management division which oversees their organization's apartment communities & hotels. He has been with this company over 12 years,

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but has over 16 years property management experience and has earned three designations from the National Apartment Association (NAA): NALP<sup>®</sup>, CAM<sup>®</sup>, and CAMT<sup>®</sup>. Clohan also voluntarily serves or has been appointed on the Northern Virginia Apartment Association, as past President and current Board Director, Ballston-Virginia Square Partnership Board of Directors, Arlington County Landlord Tenant Commission, Arlington County Police Contract Towing Advisory Board, Arlington County Private Property Towing Commission, and industry nonrelated, Elon University - Love School of Business Advisory Board.



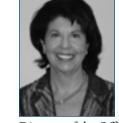
Bill Eisnaugle is the Business Services Manager - Northern Virginia, for Comcast Business Class. Eisnaugle leads a team of local account executives who sell Business Class voice, data and video services to small and medium-sized businesses. The Northern Virginia team serves Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania, Stafford, Fauquier, Prince William, Loudoun, Al-

exandria and of course, Arlington. Eisnaugle has been selling and managing sales teams in the commercial cable industry for over 10 years now. With a broad background of selling telecom service, professional consulting and document management services before coming to the cable industry, **Eisnaugle** has been able to provide non-traditional ideas and strategies for selling cable-based services. Eisnaugle has been named to Comcast's President's Club both years that such an award has been given. He is a graduate of Rutgers Camden Law School in New Jersey and Trent University in Peterborough Ontario and currently lives in Herndon with his wife Susan and 3 sons – Robbie, Timmy and Ryan.



Tom Grantham is a Senior Vice President and Market Executive for the Arlington Market of Cardinal Bank. Cardinal is a \$2 Billion Dollar local Community Bank with twenty-seven offices. Tom has over thirty years of banking experience working in and around the Arlington Market. Born in the District of Columbia, Tom has been a resident of Arlington for over

fifty years. Tom is active in numerous Clubs and Charities including Capital Hospice and the Arlington Kiwanis Club. He serves on the Board of the Arlington Kiwanis Club and is a Leader of the Kiwanis "Builder Program" at Swanson Middle School. Tom and his wife Elaine have two grown sons and a daughter-in-law, all of whom reside in Arlington.



Deborah S. Lipman is Manager of Government Affairs for the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, which operates Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, Washington Dulles International Airport, and the Dulles Toll Road, and is constructing the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project. Previously, Lipman served as

Director of the Office of Policy and Government Relations at the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). Lipman was also with the U.S. Senate Budget Committee, the U.S. House of Representatives Energy and Commerce Committee, and the U.S. Department of Transportation. Lipman led the successful effort to secure \$2.1 billion to complete the original 103-mile Metro system and developed the innovative public-private funding strategy for the New York Avenue Metrorail Station. With expertise in transportation finance, homeland security, and government relations, Lipman was the 2007 WTS Woman of the Year. Lipman is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, with a Master's Degree in City Planning. Debbie is married to Andy Lipman, and has two daughters, Abby and Elyse.



Andrew McGeorge is a Senior Associate in the Development Group at **Monday Properties.** He is responsible for supporting and managing all aspects of project development for the company's development pipeline in the Washington, D.C. and New York City areas. Andrew is a LEED Accredited Professional specializing in sustainable building

practices and he is currently developing the first LEED Platinum office building in Arlington County. Prior to joining Monday Properties, Andrew was a Project Manager at Toll Brothers where he was responsible for the development of residential communities. Earlier, he served as an officer in the United States Navy. Andrew is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and received his Master of Science from the University of Pennsylvania.



Barbara Nicastro describes herself as a business woman with a law degree. She utilizes her experiences in running several businesses, her 20+ years in private law practice and her "prior life" as a federal white collar prosecutor with the Department of Justice to work cooperatively with clients to anticipate legal problems and to devise creative and individualized

solutions to prevent litigation or resolve conflict. Her company The Law Offices of Barbara E. Nicastro, Esq. was the Chamber's 2001 Abbie Small Business of the Year. Although a Philadelphia native and South Jersey shore devotee, Nicastro has spent the last 30 years as an Arlington resident, and is active in many parts of the Arlington business and non-profit sectors. Nicastro is a graduate of Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and Law School, and the proud mother of three grown children and an aged labrador retriever.



Diane Rogers is the Director, Strategic Philanthropy at **BAE Systems, Inc.** She joined **BAE** in February 2008 as the Manager, Corporate Responsibility at BAE Systems, Land & Armaments and transitioned to BAE Systems Inc in April 2010. In her current role, **Diane** is responsible for directing all company giving and commu-

nity involvement throughout BAE Systems, Inc. Diane joined **BAE Systems** from the United Service Organizations (USO) World Headquarters as the Vice President, Operations. There she was responsible for the development and implementation of USO programs and services provided to military personnel worldwide. **Diane** brings more than 15 years of community involvement and strategic philanthropy experience with her to BAE Systems. Diane graduated from High Point University, in High Point, North Carolina, with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a minor in Sociology. She currently is a member of the Boston College for Corporate Citizenship and the Public Relations Society of America.



Karolyn Stuver is the director of strategy and marketing for Fluor Corporation, one of the world's largest engineering and construction firms. Before coming to Fluor in late 2009, she held the same position at **KBR**, the U.S. military's largest services provider. Prior to that, she had her own strategic communications consulting busi-

ness, specializing in defense, technology and science. Karolyn's background includes stints on Capitol Hill, as a staffer to Les Aspin when he was the Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, and to Congressman Dave McCurdy. She has also worked in the defense and aerospace industries as a corporate spokesperson and in the energy field as the director of public affairs for a national trade association. Karolyn also has an extensive background as a broadcast and print journalist. She has lived in the area for more than 26 years. She attended the University of Oklahoma and received a BA in English from George Mason University.

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Arianna Gleckel,

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**Green Business Committee** Chair:

Kevin Shooshan, The Shooshan Company Staff Liaison: Rich Doud

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# 2010 Award Winners

#### 2010 Chair's Award The Shooshan Company

The Chair's Award was established to provide public recognition to a member organization and its Chamber representatives that have made an exceptional contribution to the Chamber through sponsorship, leadership, attendance at events, and other contributions of resources. Chair **Phil Keating**, **Bean**, **Kinney and Korman**, **P.C.**, presented the 2010 Chair's Award to **The Shooshan Company**. This year, **The Shooshan Company** served as an Annual Corporate Sponsor, as well as sponsor of the Arlington Business Gala and the Fall Outing. "Sponsorships like these enable us to hold ticket prices down and make our events affordable to a wider audience," said Keating. "Their Chamber representatives are extremely involved in the Chamber as supporters of events and programs." Development Manager, **Kevin Shooshan**, along with **John Shooshan** and **Kelly Shooshan**, accepted the award on their behalf. **Kevin** also serves as the Director of the Chamber's Board and Chair of the Green Business Committee. "His leadership has enabled this committee to really take off," said Keating. Congratulations to **The Shooshan Company**!

### 2010 President's Award: Sponsored by Comcast

#### Ron Novak

The President's Award is given to a member individual deemed to have made significant contributions to the Chamber over the past year. Each winner has, in his or her own way, found a means to make a difference to Chamber members. Chamber President Rich Doud presented **Ron Novak**, Vice Preseident of **Segue Technologies**, with the 2010 President's Award. "There is no hard and fast criteria. Those who are likely to earn the President's Award just stand out. I have never needed to go through any long evaluation process, and the tradition continues this year," said Doud. **Novak** has been a leader in recruiting members and was one of the top producers in this year's Opportunity Works Campaingn. Congratulations to our 2010 President's Award recipient, **Ron Novak**!

#### 2010 Committee of the Year Award: Sponsored by Dominion Membership Development Committee

The Committee of the Year Award recognizes the committee that has done an exceptional job of executing the mission of the Chamber membership and the Arlington business community and serves the interest of the committee members. The 2010 Committee of the Year was awarded to the Membership Development Committee. This past year, the Membership Development Committee sponsored twenty new members, which represents about 20% of the total new members for 2010. "Committee members have been instrumental in both bringing outside contacts into the Chamber and to Chamber events as well as helping with prospective members who find the Chamber on their own," said Board Chair **Philip Keating**. **Arianna Gleckel**, Chair of the Membership Development Committee accepted the award. "The members of the membership development committee worked hard this year to both reinvigorate a committee that had a two year hiatus and to bring in new members in a tough economy. The committee succeeded in both goals and I am very appreciative of their efforts and commitment to help this chamber continue to grow and do business together," said **Gleckel**. Congratulations to the Membership Development Committee!

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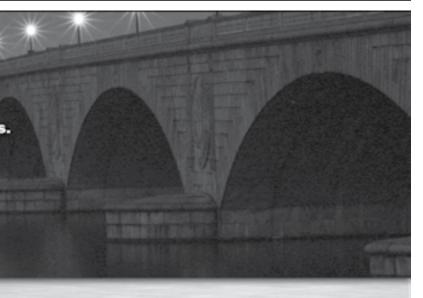
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