

# THE Goal Post



## Ed Block Couage Awards

Once again this past March the National Football League came to Baltimore to honor the recipients of the Ed Block Courage Award. The 29th Annual Ed Block Courage Awards was another resounding success and those in attendance said that it was the best event to date.

Over the last 29 years the Ed Block Courage Award Foundation has honored the courageous efforts of players in the National Football League. The mission of the Foundation is to raise Awareness of the plight of abused children in our communities. The Courage Award is named after Ed Block, the longtime head athletic trainer of the Baltimore Colts who was a respected humanitarian and pioneer in his profession. The recipients of the Courage Award are selected by their teammates for displaying a commitment to the principles of courage and sportsmanship while serving as inspirations both on and off the field. The accolade has become one of the most esteemed honors bestowed upon a player in the NFL, especially since it is selected by his peers.

Through the Foundation's Courage House National Support Network for Kids, the organization has helped Courage Houses improve the lives of abused children across America. Named after an NFL team in a respective city, Courage Houses provide support and quality care for abused children in that community. Recently, the Green Bay Packers Courage House at Family Services of NE Wisconsin was named to become the 18th Courage House at the March Awards gala, with the formal dedication coming this fall at historic Lambeau Field. The addition of the Green Bay Courage House brings the Foundation one step closer to its' goal of 32 Courage Houses in 32 NFL cities.

There were several notable players among the 2006 Class of Ed Block Courage Award Recipients. The list included, Wide Receiver Reggie Wayne from the Super Bowl Champion Indianapolis Colts, Quarterback Rex Grossman of the NFC Champion Chicago Bears, New Orleans Saints All-Time Leading Rusher Deuce McAllister and from the Baltimore Ravens, Defensive Back Corey Ivy. On receiving the honor, Corey had the following comments, "It's a great honor to represent the Ravens the best way I can. It's about overcoming adversity. Some people are born with courage from their parents, and some overcome it by going through tough times."

One of the most moving moments of the evening came when honoring Ricky Sandoval, the Detroit Lions Director of Security. Ricky became the first non-player to receive the Courage Award after he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

and was given a 4-7% chance of survival. Ricky decided that meant he still had a chance and while receiving treatment was still able to perform his duties for the Lions during the course of the season. Former Lions Head Coach and current NFL Network Announcer, Steve Mariucci, was in attendance to present this special award to Sandoval. During the presentation, Coach Mariucci spoke of how life takes many turns and the courage necessary to fight when you are diagnosed with cancer. Ricky received a standing ovation from all in attendance.

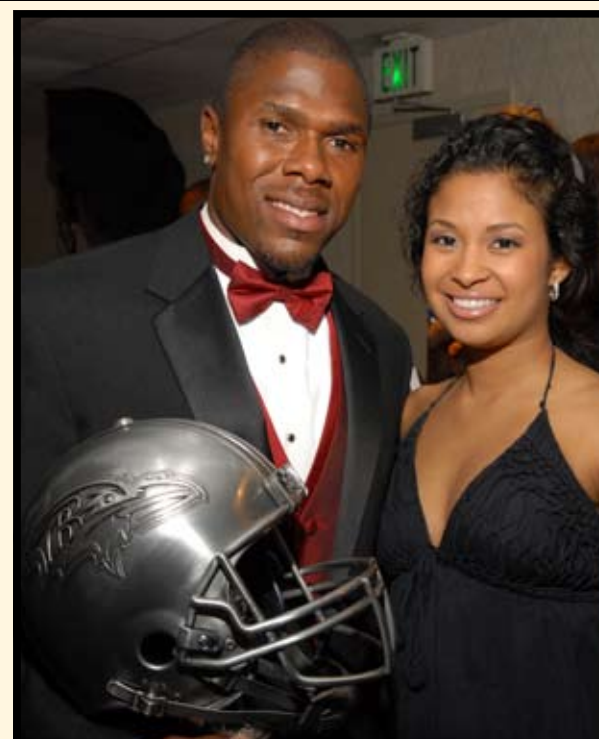
There were several special awards presented during the evening. The Professional Football Athletic Trainers Society (PFATS) presented their Professional Football Athletic Training Staff of the year award to the staff of the Miami Dolphins. PFATS Executive Assistant, Kent Falb, was there to make the presentation to Head Athletic Trainer, Kevin O'Neill along with his staff, including Troy Maurer and Ben Westby.

The Pro Football Weekly Magazine presented its' Assistant Coach of the Year Award to Baltimore Ravens' Defensive Coordinator, Rex Ryan. He led the Ravens to the No. 1-ranked defense in the NFL. The Ravens defense notched 60 sacks and had 4 members named to the Pro Bowl. Hub Arkush, Senior Editor of Pro Football Weekly was on hand to present the award to Coach Ryan.

Johnny Holliday, University of Maryland, was inducted into the Baltimore, Maryland Sports Media Hall of Fame. Mr. Holliday has been the voice of the Maryland Terrapins for over 27 years and will join such legends as Vince Bagli, Chuck Thompson, John Steadman, and Jim McKay. Former Maryland Terps Quarterback, Jack Scarbath, paid tribute and inducted Mr. Holliday in the Hall.

The "Invincible 83" Courage Award was presented to special honoree and former Philadelphia Eagles Wide Receiver, Vince Papale. In 1976, at the age of 30, Vince went to an open try out that new coach Dick Vermeil held for the Philadelphia Eagles. Papale made the team and continues to be the oldest rookie in NFL. The 2006 movie "Invincible" starring Mark Wahlberg and Greg Kinnear was made about Vince and his story.

The Ed Block Courage Award Foundation would like to thank several special people for their involvement with the Foundation and the 29th Annual Ed Block Courage Awards Gala: Courage Captain, Baltimore Ravens Tight End Todd Heap for his participation and support throughout the year. (Todd will also be working with the Foundation during 2007



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and the 30th Anniversary Courage Awards in March of 2008.) Ambassador of Courage, ESPN's Rachel Nichols, and our Emcees not only for the gala but for the 3 days of events that surround the Courage Awards, Scott Garceau, ABC 2, Bruce Cunningham, Fox 45, Mark Viviano, WJZ, Brent Harris, Comcast SportsNet, Nestor Aparicio, WNST, Liz Drabick, WHFS and of course Joe Knight.

Sam Lamantia, Chairman of the Board and CEO of the Ed Block Courage Award Foundation would also like to offer is sincere gratitude to our hosts for the 3-days of events, Baltimore's Tremonts, Tremont Grand, and Martin's West. Sam and the staff of the Foundation would also like to extend a special thank you to all of our volunteers. The Foundation has been extremely blessed to have the most outstanding volunteers over the last 29 years and truly could not have accomplished all that it has without their dedicated and tireless efforts. THANK YOU!

We look forward to seeing everyone on March 9-11, 2008 for the 30th Anniversary of the Ed Block Courage Awards.



# SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT

## Sports Media Hall of Fame – Johnny Holiday



Johnny Holliday, now in his 27th year as “Voice of the Terps,” is considered one of the finest play-by-play announcers in the country. In addition to calling the action for the Maryland Football and basketball teams, Holliday hosts the Ralph Friedgen and Gary Williams television shows. As the Terps’ director of broadcasting, he also handles a myriad of speaking duties within the athletics department, ranging from banquets to golf outings.

His long list of credits includes ABC’s coverage of the 2000 and 1996 Summer Olympics and the Winter and Summer Olympics in 1984, 1988 and 1994. In addition, he has covered championship boxing, the Masters, and the Liberty and Aloha bowls.

Holliday’s announcing career allows him to lay claim as Washington’s most versatile broadcaster, and among the best nationally. Whether it be in radio, where he was named America’s No. 1 disc jockey during this rock ‘n roll deejay days, to his public address duties with the Cleveland Browns, Oakland Raiders, and Golden State Warriors, to his work in Washington television for the Senators and Bullets, Holliday makes a complicated business look easy.

He brings that ease to the Maryland coaches’ television shows on Comcast SportsNet, the region’s premier sports channel. Holliday is among the pioneer broadcasters for the sport of women’s basketball, earning a Distinguished Service Award from ACC Women’s basketball officials for his work on that league’s women’s basketball telecasts. Additionally, Holliday was named one of the top 16 radio announcers for college basketball by ESPN’s Dick Vitale.

A native of Miami, Fla., Holliday began his broadcasting career in Perry, Ga., and through the years has worked in four of the nation’s prime radio markets: Cleveland, New York, San Francisco and Washington. At one time, he was recognized as America’s No. 1 disc jockey. In addition to his broadcasting accomplishments, he also has been extremely successful raising money for charity. Washingtonian magazine honored him as Washingtonian of the year for his many civic activities. His basketball and softball teams, the Radio Warriors, have raised more than \$1 million for charity. He is involved in Special Olympics, Catholic Charities, Operation Smile, and the Boy Scouts of America. He has served as television host for the Easter Seals, Muscular Dystrophy, March of Dimes and Leukemia telethons. In October 2003, he will be inducted into the Radio-Television Broadcasters Hall of Fame.

In 1998, he was honored by the Greater Washington, D.C. Chapter of Operation Smile with its 1998 Smile Award for his outstanding service to the community. In 1995, he was the recipient of the University of Maryland M Club Distinguished Citizen Award. He earned the Touchdown Club Award for outstanding achievement in sports broadcasting in 1991, and was the recipient of the Maryland basketball service award in 1999. He is an honorary member of the university’s chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa and the university’s Alumni Association.

## SPECIAL COURAGE AWARD - Vince Papale



Vince is a Graduate of Interboro High School – 1964 – a 3 sport Varsity Letter winner senior year: football, basketball, & track. He still holds the Outdoor Pole Vault record.

He attended St. Joseph’s College, 1964 – 1968, and graduated with an MS Degree in Marketing/Management Science. He was awarded a full athletic scholarship for Track & Field. Papale captained the Track Team his Senior Year and

was recipient of Most Outstanding Senior Athlete in 1968. He still holds the Indoor Pole Vault record.

Vince taught Middle School Business Education, at Interboro School District, 1968 – 1974, and also served as High School Head Coach for Track & Field and also was Assistant Football Coach.

Papale left Interboro in the spring of 1974 to tryout for the Philadelphia Bell of the World Football League. He made the team as a Wide Receiver, and played 2 seasons (the league folded in 1975).

In 1976, at the age of 30, Vince tried out for the Philadelphia Eagles, made the team, and became the oldest rookie in NFL history. He still is! He was with the Eagles for 4 seasons, as a wide receiver, and was voted Special Teams Captain by his teammates. A shoulder injury ended his career, but not before Papale was voted Man of the Year by the Eagles, in 1978, for his many charitable activities, and honored by the NFL.

After retiring from the Eagles after the 1979 season he was a TV and radio broadcaster for 8 years. Vince then entered the world of commercial mortgage banking which led to his present position as a Mar-

keting Executive & Special Projects Director for Sallie Mae, the nation’s No. 1 student financial aid company. Papale has served as chairman or co-chairman for: Philadelphia Vietnam Veterans, Spina Bifida Association, Association for Retarded Citizens, Deborah Hospital, Multiple Sclerosis Society, the American Heart Association, and as a cancer survivor, Vince has become an advocate for numerous cancer groups.

He has also worked with: the Eagles Fly for Leukemia, the Police Athletic League, the Special Olympics, Maxwell Football Club, the Sunshine Foundation, the Boy Scouts, and the Variety Club. Vince has received the Chapel of the Four Chaplain’s

Humanitarian Award, the United Way’s Gold Award, and the Jaycee’s Distinguished Service Award. And as mentioned, in 1978, was a finalist for the Byron “Whizzer” White Award, presented annually to the NFL Player who shows the highest level of community awareness and involvement.

Papale is married to the former Janet Cantwell. They reside in Cherry Hill, NJ, with their two children Gabriella and Vincent. Janet is a former member of the USA World Gymnastics team and has coached and taught gymnastics all over the world. They are the only married couple to have been inducted individually into the PA Sports Hall of Fame, Philadelphia Chapter.

A movie about Vince Papale called “Invincible” was released in 2006. It features Mark Wahlberg, as Papale; Greg Kinnear as former Eagles Coach, Dick Vermeil; Elizabeth Banks as Janet; and, Michael Nouri as Leonard Tose, former Eagles owner. The Producers are Mark Ciardi and Gordon Gray, who have two ESPY’s under their belt with their blockbusters “Miracle” and “The Rookie.”. Ericson Core is the Director.

## Miami Dolphins- 2006 NFL Athletic Training Staff of the Year



The Miami Dolphins Athletic Training Staff, one of the most experienced and accomplished in the National Football League, once again exhibited its excellence in 2006.

The unit’s outstanding medical care and injury rehabilitation prompted the Professional Football Athletic Trainers Society, in conjunction with the Ed Block Courage Award Foundation, to bestow it the honor of 2006 NFL Athletic Training

Staff of the Year. It marks the initial time that the Dolphins’ staff has received this recognition since the award was first given out in 1985. The award is voted on annually by the NFL’s athletic trainers.

The Dolphins staff consists of Head Athletic Trainer Kevin O’Neill, Assistant Athletic Trainer Troy Maurer and Assistant Athletic Trainer/Director of Rehabilitation Ben Westby. Over the last six years they have developed a continuity that allows them to meet the heavy demands and responsibilities of maintaining the health of an NFL team. Together they have worked 39 NFL seasons and numerous years on the collegiate level.

“This honor is very special to all of us because it comes from our peers. It was both unexpected and appreciated,” O’Neill said.

O’Neill completed his 11th season in his position with the Dolphins after serving seven years in the same capacity with the Dallas Cowboys. In Dallas, he was part of three Super Bowl championship teams and was also a member of a National Championship team at the University of Miami during his four years (1985-88) as its head athletic trainer.

Maurer joined the Dolphins in 1992 after working for two years at Kansas State as Head Basketball Athletic Trainer and Assistant Football Athletic Trainer. He had previously done a seasonal internship with the Indianapolis Colts in 1989 and served undergraduate internships with the Colts and New York Jets while attending Purdue University.

Westby has been in his position for six seasons after spending a years as a staff physical therapist at Hruska Clinic in Lincoln, Ned. He served as a summer assistant with the Baltimore Ravens in 1997 while earning a master’s degree in physical therapy from Des Moines University – Osteopathic Medical Center.

## COURAGE CAPTAIN - Baltimore Ravens Todd Heap



The Ed Block Courage Award Foundation is proud to have Baltimore Ravens Todd Heap join the Foundation’s efforts to raise awareness of the plight of abused children. Todd is the Courage Captain and is representing the Foundation throughout the year in numerous capacities.

Todd Heap was selected by the Baltimore Ravens with the 31st selection in the 1st round of the 2001 NFL Draft,

making him the first tight end selected in the draft. Over his six year NFL career Todd has established himself as one of the most dynamic playmakers in football. Year in and year out he is one of the top rated tight ends in the National Football League.

Heap and his wife Ashley, have a daughter Brooklyn (7/21/02) and twin boys, Preston and Kyle born Jan. 25, 2006.

## 2006 Sponsors' Award of Excellence

The Ed Block Courage Award Foundation, Inc. recognizes the following sponsors for their ongoing commitment to providing financial support and in-kind services. Their involvement deserves the highest recognition. On behalf of the children and families who receive care through the Courage House National Support Network for Kids, we thank you for making this concept possible to help children in all NFL cities.



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## AMBASSADORS OR COURAGE



### STEVE MARIUCCI

Steve Mariucci joined us to be the special guest presenter of the Ed Block Courage Award to Ricky Sandoval from the Detroit Lions.

Steve was one of the people who brought Ricky to the Lions' family while he was the head coach there. Steve Mariucci grew up in Iron Mountain, Michigan, and was a three-time All-America (Division II) quarterback at Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

He began his coaching career at his alma mater (1978-79), and moved to Cal State Fullerton (1980-82) and Louisville (1983-84). He joined the USC staff in 1986 and then moved to the coaching staff at California in 1987. In 1990-91, he served as the Golden Bears' Offensive Coordinator. Mariucci returned to Cal as Head Coach in 1996 and guided the squad to a 5-0 start and a berth in the Aloha Bowl.

Following his success with the Golden Bears, Mariucci was considered a leading candidate for several NFL coaching positions, and was hired to coach the San Francisco 49ers, then one of the top teams in the league. Mariucci's 1997 team went 13-3 during the regular season, earning NFC home-field advantage. After defeating the Minnesota Vikings in the divisional round, they hosted the Green Bay Packers in the NFC Championship Game but lost 23-10 in a muddy, rainy contest at Candlestick Park. This was the 49ers fourth NFC title loss of the 1990s, following decisions to the New York Giants (1990), and Dallas Cowboys (1992 & 1993). In 1998, the 49ers posted a 12-4 record and returned to the playoffs as a wild-card team, but lost 20-18 in the divisional round to eventual NFC champion Atlanta Falcons. Two losing seasons followed, but the 2001 49ers returned to the playoffs after a 12-4 season, only to once again be eliminated by the Packers.

His final season in San Francisco was in 2002. The 49ers won the NFC's weak Western Division with a 10-6 record and beat the New York Giants in a controversial wild-card game, posting the second-biggest comeback playoff victory in NFL history. However, they were crushed 31-6 by the eventual Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the divisional round. As San Francisco's coach he compiled a 60-43 (.583) record, while his teams earned playoff berths four times (1997, 1998, 2001 and 2002).

Mariucci was named the Lions' 22nd head coach on February 4, 2003. He compiled a 15-28 record during that time and is one of thirteen head coaches since the NFL-AFL merger in 1970 to lead his team to a division title in his first season. Mariucci established an NFL mark for consecutive wins by a rookie head coach with an 11-game winning streak.

Before serving as an NFL head coach, he served as quarterbacks coach for the Green Bay Packers (1992-95), during Brett Favre's early years. His first pro position was as a receivers coach for the USFL's Orlando Renegades in 1985. Later that fall, he had a brief stint with the Los Angeles Rams as quality control coach. Steve has been hired by NFL Network to work on their show NFL GameDay. He has completed his first season with NFL Network and was a major contributor to their coverage this past season.



### RACHEL NICHOLS

Rachel Nichols joined ESPN in February 2004 as a New York City-based reporter, covering breaking news stories and major events, as well as providing investigative pieces and human-interest features.

Nichols began working on SportsCenter, Outside the Lines and ESPNEWS and has expanded her role to include weekly NFL features and reports for ESPN's Sunday NFL Countdown and Monday Night Countdown.

Prior to joining ESPN on a full-time basis, Nichols was a reporter for the Washington Post (1996-2004) and the Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel (1995-96). She has also served as a freelance reporter for ESPN, and made appearances on CNN, MSG, Comcast, Sunshine Network and NBA TV.

Nichols, a native of Potomac, Maryland, received a Bachelor of Science degree in journalism from Northwestern University in 1995.



## PRO FOOTBALL WEEKLY AND PRO FOOTBALLWRITERS OF AMERICA NFL ASSISTANT COACH OF THE YEAR

### Ryan's Ravens lived up to lofty standards

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The first time Ravens defensive coordinator Rex Ryan met with his defense before the 2006 season, he showed a video — “the highlight film, I’m sure like everyone else does,” he said.

Not that this was a group that needed to be reminded how good it was, a defense which has long been among the league’s best. No, Ryan had a different message in mind.

As the highlight clips of the defense ended, the footage of QB Steve McNair’s introductory press conference started. Also spliced in, Ryan said, were some highlight shots of McNair at Tennessee throwing the ball to Derrick Mason. They had a close-up shot of his face, and you see that great competitiveness, that great fire.

“I wanted the defense to understand that we had no more excuses. You can’t say, ‘We don’t have this, we don’t have that,’ because we had everything.”

By season’s end, the Ravens had won 13 games, and Baltimore’s defense was ranked No. 1. Along with that, four defenders earned Pro Bowl berths, and now Ryan himself is getting accolades.

Ryan, 44, has earned Assistant Coach of the Year honors from Pro Football Weekly and the Professional Football Writers of America. He is the fifth consecutive defensive coordinator to win the award and the first Ravens assistant honored since Marvin Lewis won it in 2000.

Ryan’s handiwork is also likely to be remembered fondly — unless opposing quarterbacks are the ones doing the reminiscing.

The Ravens notched 60 sacks, second-most in the NFL. DT Trevor Pryce led the team with 13. Adalius Thomas — who can line up almost anywhere — had 11 sacks. Terrell Suggs had 9.5, as did LB Bart Scott. Opponents completed only 54.8 percent of their passes against the Ravens, lowest in the league.

It didn’t help that quarterbacks were staring at a stacked secondary — Chris McAlister and Samari Rolle at the CB spots, rookie Dawan Landry at strong safety and Ed Reed at free safety.

Ryan is the son of former Eagles and Cardinals head coach Buddy Ryan, the foremost proponent of the 4-6 defense. Rex’s brother, Rob, is the Oakland Raiders defensive coordinator.

Of his father’s teachings, two stand out. The first piece of advice is that “Your players don’t care what you know until they know that you care,” Ryan said. “That’s one thing that he’s always said. If the players know you care about them, and you truly do, they’re going to listen to you.”

“Y.A. Tittle told my father that no matter how many guys drop into coverage, that if he had enough time, he was going to complete a pass against you. Dad’s philosophy was that if it was that important to the great Y.A. Tittle, it’s probably just as important that any quarterback not have time to throw the football, and I think that’s what we pattern ourselves off of.”

With the Ravens’ success comes the likelihood that Rex Ryan, like so many other coaches who have won this award, will be considered for head-coaching jobs. While focused on his current position, he has thought about what the future holds.

# Ed Block Courage Award Foundation Hall of Fame New Inductees

## W. Christopher Smith, Jr.

**William C. Smith & Co., Inc.**

Chris Smith is the chairman and chief executive officer of William C. Smith & Co., Inc., a Washington, DC, based multidisciplinary real estate firm. The company has provided integrated real estate services to the Washington metropolitan area for over 35 years. In complement to its development and brokerage arms, the firm currently owns and/or manages a portfolio in excess of 11,000 units of residential real estate within the Washington metropolitan area.

Mr. Smith began his career with the firm in the construction group and worked in finance before launching the development arm of the business in the early 1980's. Under his direction, the company has become a District of Columbia industry leader in the rehabilitation and revitalization of challenged neighborhoods. While enhancing its portfolio of market rate housing, William C. Smith & Co. has concurrently focused on developing affordable multi-family communities.

With a lifelong commitment to community service, Chris Smith has fostered a culture within William C. Smith & Co. of improving

the quality of life for residents of the District. The company and its employees routinely volunteer time and resources to build playgrounds, beautify neighborhoods, and provide recreational opportunities for DC families. In 1997, Chris was instrumental in forming a non-profit organization, Building Bridges Across the River, to fundraise and develop a \$26 million cultural arts, recreation and education facility; The Town Hall Education Arts & Recreation Campus (THEARC) in Southeast Washington.

Mr. Smith holds a real estate brokers license in Washington, DC, and the State of Virginia. He sits on the board of directors for Building Bridges Across the River, City First Bank, the DC Building Industry Association, The Historic Charles Street

Renaissance Corporation, the Fannie Mae DC Partnership Advisory Council and LISC; and he is a member of the Mayor's Comprehensive Housing Strategy Task Force. He was the 2003 recipient of Washington Urban League's Whitney M. Young Service Award and in 2005 was honored with the Apartment and Office Building Association's prestigious Sidney Glassman award.



**CHRISTOPHER SMITH, JR.**

## Edward St. John

**St. John Properties, Inc.**

It continues to be a great pleasure for me to be associated with the Ed Block Courage Award Foundation, its supporters and many friends. Over the years, I have enjoyed my experiences as both President and President Emeritus of such a fine organization and enthusiastically champion the cause for which it serves.

Edward A. St. John is Founder and President of St. John Properties, Inc. Since founding the company in 1971, Mr. St. John has developed, constructed, and maintains ownership of over 13,000,000 square feet of office, industrial and retail space in Maryland, Colorado, Wisconsin, Virginia and Louisiana. He has also developed a number of residential projects to include over 2,000 apartments. Mr. St. John earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Maryland. Over the years, Mr. St. John has been a leader and active member of the community and has served on a number of boards and committees, as well as participating in various civic organizations.

Mr. St. John has enjoyed an extraordinary career in the real estate industry receiving several awards and gaining recognition for many of his achievements. In 1997, Ernst & Young named him Maryland Entrepreneur of the Year for Real Estate. Two years lat-

er, the Maryland chapter of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties (NAIOP) chose Mr. St. John as its Lifetime Achievement for Excellence in Real Estate Development Award Winner. The Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce, in recognition of all he has done for the county, elected Mr. St. John into their Hall of Fame in 2001, and perhaps the crowning achievement of his career, The Johns Hopkins University School of Real Estate, in 2004 was named the Edward St. John Department of Real Estate in his honor.

Early in his career, Mr. St. John decided to "give back" to his community through philanthropic commitments to charities and non-profit organizations. His belief in contributing to educational enrichment for students and other worthy causes led him to establish a Charitable Committee in 1998 within the company. The committee is rooted in the belief that education has the power to transform lives and strengthen communities. To date, Mr. St. John has contributed or committed Forty-one million dollars to nearly 400 organizations in the Baltimore and Washington region. St. John and his company will continue to help improve local communities and quality of life through the

company's philanthropic giving.

Mr. St. John has been a leader and active member of the community and has been involved in numerous civic events and organizations that have greatly enhanced the quality of life in the region. His involvement as Co-Chairman of the Miss USA Pageant showed the beauty and wonder of the State of Maryland on network television to millions of viewers both domestically and to over 40 countries around the world. The Maryland Science Center has named him as a member of its Board of Directors.

He also sits on the Board of Directors of several other agencies and companies including, The BWI Business Partnership, Inc., Harbor Hospital, Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore, Harbor Bank, and the Anne Arundel County Economic Development Corporation. He is also a member of the Volvo Ocean Race-Chesapeake Host Committee and represented Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. at the start of the race in Vigo, Spain in 2006.

In recognition of Mr. St. John's contributions to the Ed Block Courage Foundation, the Real Estate Industry, and the entire region, the Ed Block Courage Award Foundation is proud to have Edward St. John as a member of the Foundation's Hall of Fame.

## Special Thank You

The Ed Block Courage Award Foundation would like to thank Padonia Station and Debi Fowler for the recently concluded Baltimore Idol Contest. The contest was once again successful in raising a lot of money for the Foundation

through Padonia Station.

We would also like to say a special Thank You to the Sponsors and Volunteer Judges listed below. Without your tremendous support Baltimore Idol would not have been the success it was.

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*And all The Great Judges!*