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Rotary Club of Front Royal Presents 11th Robert E. L. “Bob” Miller Community Service Award

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Front Royal – The Front Royal Rotary Club presented the 11th Annual Robert E. L. “Bob” Miller Community Service Award at its meeting on August 30, 2019 to Frederick S. “Fred” Andreae. Fred has been a resident of Front Royal, Virginia for over forty years and has been an active public servant in the community, serving on numerous boards and commissions, as well as an active conservationist, preservationist, and philanthropist.

It is the objective of the Rotary Club of Front Royal to recognize individuals within the Front Royal-Warren County community for contributions that improve the quality of life of its citizens. The award is named after Robert E. L. “Bob” Miller in recognition of his 75 years of membership in the Rotary Club of Front Royal, and his Service to the Front Royal-Warren County community.

Recipients shall have demonstrated a commitment of service and dedication to the community through their vocation, public service, philanthropy or civic service to make a lasting impression on the community.

Past recipients of the award include: Jim Williams (2009), Mary Anne Biggs (2010), John Marlow (2011), Alan Wimer (2012), George McIntyre (2013), John LaBarca (2014), Roy Boyles (2015), Patty Wines (2016), Jim Eastham (2017), and Pam McInnis (2018).

Over the years, Fred has been a member of the following groups and boards:

- Rotary Club of Front Royal
- Red Cross
- Front Royal/Warren County Chamber of Commerce
- Warren Memorial Hospital
- National Parks Mid-Atlantic Council
- US Ski Association Level III Alpine Race Official
- Pennsylvania Alpine Racing Association, Blue Ridge Chair
- Samuels Public Library, Board and chair
- United Way of Front Royal/Warren County, Board and chair
- Belle Grove Plantation, Board and chair (twice)
- Warren County Board of Zoning Appeals, Board and chair
- Beautification of Front Royal Committee, founding member and co-chair
- Scenic 340 Project, founding member and chair
- Front Royal Board of Architectural Review, founding member and chair
- Shenandoah National Park Trust founding member
- Federal Advisory Commission to Establish the Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park

Fred has been a founding member of several groups, including the Beautification of Front Royal Committee and the Shenandoah National Park Trust. Together with his wife Christine, he established the non-profit Scenic 340 Project, a conservation advocacy group which received the Last Chance Landscape award from Scenic Virginia and convinced the Virginia Department of Historic Resources to declare the area between Bentonville and Luray a Rural Historic District.

Honors bestowed upon on Fred during his time in Front Royal include:

- First Passive Solar Home Award from US Department of Housing and Urban Design
- Adaptive Reuse Award from Preservation of Historic Winchester for Frederick County Court Services and Detox Center
- Outstanding Forest Steward Award from Virginia Department of Forestry
- Outstanding Conservation Farmer Award from Soil and Water Conservation District
- Chesapeake Bay Forest Champion Award
- Blue Ridge Arts Council Arts Citizen of the Year (2018)

Fred and his wife, Christine, who moved to Overall in 1972, have been married for 52 years. They were blessed with two children, one in Indianapolis and one in Boise, and three grandchildren. Fred has truly given the Front Royal-Warren County community much to be grateful for.



President Bret Hrbek (Left) presenting Fred Andreae (Middle Left) and Christine Andreae (Middle Right), Committee Chairman Doug Stanley (Right) and with the Robert E. L. “Bob” Miller Award

According to past Club President Doug Stanley, “Dr. Robert E. L. “Bob” Miller served the Front Royal-Warren County community as a dentist for 67 years. His dedication to his patients, clubs, and community were always in the forefront of what he did.” Doug added, “It is with the memory of Bob and his service and dedication to the community that the Rotary Club of Front Royal is very proud to present Fred with the Robert E. L. “Bob” Miller Community Service Award. In his life Fred has worked hard in his various capacities on boards in the community, through Rotary, and through philanthropy to make Warren County a better place. Many of the things he has supported have never been known to the general public and will never be known. This community is truly a better place through the life that Fred has lived.”

Club President Bret Hrbek, said, “The Rotary Club of Front Royal is very proud to honor Fred with the Bob Miller Community Service Award. His impact on this community is immeasurable, and he has been a generous and ardent supporter of this community and its wellbeing; quietly championing so many causes. Fred and his wife Christine are an inspiration to everyone in this community, and he is certainly deserving of this honor.”

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