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Columbian Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping improve the cultural, educational, economic and social welfare of the citizens of New Jersey.

The Foundation was founded in 1941 by a group of business and professional men of Italian descent from Essex County and its surrounding communities. They were the originators of what has become a heritage of charitable giving that has surpassed anything these founders could ever have imagined.

Today, Columbian Foundation engages in a broad range of philanthropic activities, providing financial support in the form of donations to support special causes and a variety of institutions and organizations. From scholarships for needy students and donations to area colleges and universities, hospitals, community groups and charitable organizations, to the support of a broad array of cultural endeavors, the Foundation and its supporters have helped enrich the lives of thousands of individuals. For further information please visit our website at www.columbianfoundations.com.

The Annual Awards Dinner is the most critical of all the Foundation’s fund-raising efforts. The attendees of this time-honored event not only provide tremendous support through their generosity, but also honor some of the truly outstanding men and women in our community.

We salute those who have made our annual dinners so successful and proudly applaud the extraordinary individuals honored at this evening’s event.



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78th Annual Gala

Honoring

Edward Cetnar

Jack Ciattarelli

Carolyn Jandoli

Darren Rispoli

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*Columbian Foundation
cordially invites you to attend the
78th Annual Humanitarian Achievement
Award Dinner*



**2019 HONOREE
EDWARD CETNAR**
*Superintendent/Director of Public Safety,
Port Authority of NY/NJ*

Edward Cetnar was appointed as the Superintendent/Director of Public Safety of the Port Authority of NY/NJ Police Department on May 11, 2018. He oversees the daily operations of the nearly 2200 person Police Department. Mr. Cetnar is responsible for the police and security services at several airports to include Newark Liberty International, LaGuardia, and JFK. Additionally, Mr. Cetnar is responsible for the police services and security at the Path Train System, Port Authority Bus Terminal, Lincoln and Holland Tunnels, Port Newark, Brooklyn Piers, George Washington Bridge, Staten Island Bridge Crossings, as well as the World Trade Center Complex.

Prior to his appointment to the Port Authority, Mr. Cetnar served over 27 years with the NJ State Police. At the end of his service, Mr. Cetnar served as a Lt. Colonel serving as the Deputy Superintendent of Operations for the New Jersey State Police. In addition, Lt. Colonel Cetnar was tapped as the Incident Commander for the 2013 & 2014 Miss America Pageant, 2014 National Special Olympics, and most notably the 2014 NFL Super Bowl. Further, in 2012, Lt. Colonel Cetnar was the Incident Commander for the Agudath Israel Event at Met Life Stadium whereas never in the history of the Jewish faith have 90,000 from the community gathered to celebrate the Siyum Hashas. This event earned worldwide acclaim for its security and protective measures taken to protect a faith based celebration. Also in 2012, Lt. Colonel Cetnar was the Statewide Incident Commander for the search, rescue, and security operations caused by Hurricane Sandy. Mr. Cetnar holds a Masters Degree from Seton Hall University where he serves as an Adjunct Professor. He is also a graduate from the FBI National Academy and the United States Army's Commandants 7th Strategic Studies Program.



**2019 HONOREE
JACK CIATTARELLI**
*Former New Jersey
Assemblyman*

A life-long resident of New Jersey, Jack was born in Somerville and raised in the Borough of Raritan where his grandparents immigrated in the early 1900s. Jack and his wife, Melinda, have resided in Hillsborough since 1998, raising four children, now ages 24, 22, 21 and 18. The Ciattarellis are active in the community, with Melinda having served as an officer in the home and school association and Jack having coached his four children in various recreational activities. Jack and Melinda have also been very active with Raritan Valley Community College and various Somerset County non-profit organizations.

Jack earned his Bachelors of Science in Accounting and Masters of Business Administration in Finance at Seton Hall University, where he has also taught as an adjunct professor. Jack is also a Certified Public Accountant (inactive).

Jack is a successful entrepreneur and small business owner twice over, having founded two publishing companies, each time working as CEO and Publisher for Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine medical journals. Jack recently founded and launched a third medical publishing business, this one focused on health information and education for consumers.

Jack served on the Raritan Borough Council (1990-1995) and the Somerset County Freeholder Board (2007-2011). During his tenure as a local elected official, Jack served in various leadership positions, including Council President in Raritan Borough and Freeholder Director in Somerset County.

After winning election to the New Jersey State Legislature in 2011, Jack was sworn into his Assembly office in January 2012, representing the 16th Legislative District, which includes municipalities in Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex and Somerset counties. In the State Assembly, Jack sat on the Financial Institutions & Insurance Committee and the Regulated Professions Committee.

Jack was a candidate for governor in the 2017 Republican gubernatorial primary. In seeking the Republican nomination for governor, Jack forfeited running for re-election to the State Legislature, where his term as State Assemblyman for the 16th District ended January 2018.



**2019 HONOREE
CAROLYN JANDOLI**
*Senior Director, Global Technology Operations,
Merck & Co. Inc.
East Hanover, New Jersey Councilwoman*

With an unwavering passion for improving her community, creating a more resourceful world, inspiring innovation within the next generations of "wholehearted" leaders, and encouraging women to take leadership roles, Carolyn Jandoli is the epitome of women in business leadership. Carolyn Jandoli has established herself as a leader in the business industry with over 29 years of experience in the healthcare and technology sectors. As a Senior Director at Merck & Co., Inc. working full time out of her Branchburg, NJ office, Carolyn is responsible for global client computing platforms and executive support providing white glove service and support to the top 200 executives.

Carolyn is a visionary, achieving a ripple effect of empowerment on future leaders within the science, technology, and healthcare industries around the world. Under her leadership, Carolyn has executed the successful implementation of hundreds of installations and most recently deployed one of the largest Microsoft Office deployments. She has been recognized as one of the top IT leaders in the pharma industry and has spoken at numerous IT conferences globally.

Passionate about her involvement in the community, Carolyn is the longest sitting councilwoman in East Hanover township history. She is currently serving her fifth term and will be completing 13 years on the East Hanover Council at the end of 2019. She has held the council president role 6 times and is currently the East Hanover Senior Citizen liaison and the Mayor's designate to the East Hanover Planning Board.

Carolyn is a member of the Board of Directors for Daytop and is a board member on the New Jersey Institute of Technology, Martin Tuchman School of Management Advisory Board. Carolyn is an active supporter of NJIT and helps mentor and coach many students in their pursuit of employment.

Carolyn received her bachelor's degree in computer science from New Jersey Institute of Technology and has received numerous leadership certifications from Duke University, Simmons University & Babson College.

Carolyn grew up in West Orange, NJ before moving to East Hanover, NJ where she currently resides with her husband Stephen.

Carolyn loves to travel and has visited 30 countries and 5 continents. Carolyn is honored to receive this award from the Columbian Foundation.



**2019 HONOREE
DARREN RISPOLI**
*Coordinator of Ceremonial
and Program Development,
Newark Fire Department*

With more than 27 years of dedicated support to the Newark Fire Department, Darren Rispoli remains a prominent leader in the philanthropic & corporate sector. His strong commitment to integrity and volunteerism is demonstrated in his many affiliations and contributions throughout his life. Born and raised in Newark, New Jersey, Darren joined the Newark Fire Department in 1989. Darren has served with several ladder/truck companies, engine companies, as well as Rescue 1. He is a certified member of many specialized units; Hazmat Unit, Decontamination Unit, USAR (Urban Search and Rescue) and Metro Strike Team.

Darren has served as vice president of the Newark Historical Association & Newark Museum for the past 25 years. During this time, he has coordinated and participated in the annual Antique Fire Apparatus Parade and Muster. In 2001, he became a member of the committee to commission the State of New Jersey Caisson Unit. He organized meetings with Newark Fire Department members, neighboring fire departments, as well as state fire service representatives and acting Governor Richard Codey. He participated in 65 funerals for New York City after 9-11 in support of the many fallen members of the FDNY.

Darren was a founding member of the Newark Streets of Fire Motorcycle Club, an organization in memory of Firefighter Michael DeLane, who heroically lost his life in the line of duty. This organization holds the annual "Elexis Run", a memorial motorcycle run benefitting charities for fallen firefighters and their families. He held the office of secretary from 1995 - 2000.

In 2005, Darren became the coordinator for Ceremonial & Program Development. He handled program development in its entirety for a wide range of fire service and public safety ceremonies. He was responsible for the event planning for funerals, promotions, memorial services, political inaugurations and dignitary services and ceremonies. Additionally, Darren was a founding member of The Lawrence Webb Memorial Education Fund. This fund was started in 2008 after Firefighter Lawrence Webb passed in the line of duty.

In 2013, Darren initiated and developed the annual Novena Mass at St. Lucy's Church. This mass is dedicated to all firefighters, police, EMS, correctional officers, first responders, as well as all governmental and emergency services. As a member of the parish of St. Lucy's Roman Catholic Church in Newark, Darren continues to worship and volunteer his time doing repairs and assisting in organizing events and social activities at the iconic neighborhood church.

Over the course of his decorated career, he received numerous awards and accolades for his firefighting service and commitment to the City of Newark. He was honored and humbled to receive the following awards: Newark Fire Department Special Recognition Award for service beyond the call of duty - January 2007; Firefighter Michael J. Delane Memorial Fund Recognition Award - August 2007; Newark Fire Department Historical Association Award in recognition of support and service - September 2008; Lawrence Web Team Award - 2009; Special Recognition Award - City of Newark- The Newark Municipal Council - January 2013; State of New Jersey - The Senate - Special Recognition Award - Newark Fire Department Color/Honor Guard - January 2013; Community Service Award from Christian Love Baptist Church - September 2013; Special Recognition Award from Newark Fire Chief John Centanni/Director James Stewart - Newark Fire Department Service Award & Special Commitment to the Development of the Honor Guard - December 2015; Humanitarian Award - Newark Fire Officers' Union - December 2015; St. Lucy's Church Recognition for Years of Service - January 2016; Newark Police Department of Public Safety Recognition Award for Continuous Commitment to Excellence and Service to the City of Newark and the Department of Public Safety - May 2017; Historical Association Recognition Award - June 2017 for 25 years of service; and the Newark Firefighters' Pipe Band Recognition Award 2018.

Remaining passionate about his continued involvement in the community after his retirement, Darren has continued to volunteer with the City of Newark Department of Public Safety as the Coordinator for funerals, promotions, memorial services and ceremonies for the City of Newark. Darren is a master mason with Nutley Lodge No. 25 and a member of the Knights of Columbus in Morristown, NJ where he resides.

For the past 36 years, Darren has been the owner of an aircraft cleaning company based at Morristown Airport. Over the years, he has expanded his business and now has operations at 14 locations along the East Coast. Darren is the proud father of two sons, ages 26 and 28. His sons are his pride and joy, and he has supported them throughout the years as they have graduated college, entered the workforce and purchased homes. He enjoys motorcycles, boating and spending time with his family and friends. Darren feels extremely blessed for all the love and support he has received throughout his life and is humbled to receive the President's Award for the Columbian Foundation.