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RAPPAHANNOCK UNITED WAY ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD MEMBERS

August 7, 2015 – Fredericksburg, VA – Rappahannock United Way announced four new board members recently. New board members include: Edward Allison, Jr., Dr. Michael McDermott, M.D., David (Maxie) Rozell, Jr. and Clayton Smith. They were each elected to a 3 year term.

Joe Grzeika, who served on the board for 9 years, and Michael Brown, who served on the board for 5 years have now completed their terms on the board.

Rappahannock United Way officers this year include Chairman of the Board Ron Branscome, Rappahannock Area Community Services Board; Vice Chairman of the Board Amanda Talbert, GEICO; Secretary Susan Coleman, Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center and Treasurer Anthony Romanello, Stafford County Government. All board changes took effect July 1, 2015.

Edward Allison, Jr. is the retired Chairman, CEO, of Virginia Heartland Bank. His previous employments included Senior Vice President First Virginia Bank, Comptroller Mary Washington College and Accountant FMC Corporation. Ed is a graduate of the University of Richmond. Ed served the Fredericksburg National Guard for six years. Currently Ed serves on the Mary Washington Hospital Foundation and is Vice President of the University of Mary Washington Foundation. He is an active member of the Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church. Ed has previously served over nine years on the Rappahannock United Way Board and held positions of Chairman and Campaign Chairman. He was named an Honorary Life Member of the Rappahannock United Way. Past Activities include President of Fredericksburg Chamber of Commerce; Board Member of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce; President of the Historic Fredericksburg Foundation; Treasurer of Fredericksburg Jaycees; Chairman of Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center; Recipient of the Prince B. Woodard Award.
Ed and his wife Joyce live in Fredericksburg and have two sons and three grandchildren. They enjoy their weekend home on the Potomac River and traveling.

Dr. Michael P. McDermott, M.D. is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Mary Washington Healthcare in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Dr. McDermott is a Radiologist formerly with the Radiologic Associates of Fredericksburg. He has been a valued member of the Medical Staff at Mary Washington Hospital since May of 1997 and Stafford Hospital since its opening in 2009. He is a former Chairman of the Division of Radiology at Mary Washington Hospital. Dr. McDermott is a Radiologist formerly with the Radiologic Associates of Fredericksburg. He has been a valued member of the Medical Staff at Mary Washington Hospital since May of 1997 and Stafford Hospital since its opening in 2009. He is a former Chairman of the Division of Radiology at Mary Washington Hospital. Dr. McDermott is a Radiologist formerly with the Radiologic Associates of Fredericksburg. He has been a valued member of the Medical Staff at Mary Washington Hospital since May of 1997 and Stafford Hospital since its opening in 2009. He is a former Chairman of the Division of Radiology at Mary Washington Hospital. Dr. McDermott is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and performed his Diagnostic Radiology Residency and Interventional Radiology Fellowship at the University of Maryland Medical System. Dr. McDermott is Board Certified in Diagnostic Radiology and Vascular and Interventional Radiology. Dr. McDermott has served as a Trustee on the Mary Washington Healthcare Board from January 1, 2006 through October 2014. Dr. McDermott was appointed by the Board of Trustees to fill the President and Chief Executive Officer position at Mary Washington Healthcare in the Fall of 2014. He and his wife Chrissy live in Fredericksburg.

David M. (Maxie) Rozell, Jr. is the Manager of Safety, Security and Risk Management at Rappahannock Electric Cooperative (REC). He has held this position since 1991 and is responsible for all aspects of safety and security compliance and training at the Cooperative, including oversight of REC’s insurance policies and coverage. Rozell began working at REC in 1985 as a meter reader and, prior to that, served as a deputy sheriff in Caroline County, Va. Rozell graduated from Caroline High School in Milford, Va. He has also completed the Administration of Safety program at Virginia Commonwealth University’s School of Business, received the Certified Loss Control Professional certification offered by the University of Nebraska and completed the Management Internship Program at the University of Wisconsin – Madison School of Business. Active in his community, Rozell served on the Caroline Board of Supervisors for 10 years. He is a firefighter with the Frog Level Volunteer Fire Department in Caroline County, Va., serves on the board of the Caroline County YMCA, and is active with Caroline Care Group and Caroline County Education, Recreation and Wellness Foundation. Rozell is a trustee at Concord Baptist Church. He resides in Caroline County, Va., with his wife, Crystal.

Clayton Smith is a currently a Business Group Director at Patricio Enterprises, headquartered in Stafford, VA and has been a project manager and program manager for multiple teams supporting Marine Corps Systems Command and Defense Logistics Agency acquisition and
research and development offices. Clayton served in the United States Marine Corps for more than 21 years beginning in 1977 as a jet mechanic on A-6E Intruders. Since joining Patricio Enterprises in 2007, he has risen from a Senior Program Analyst to a Business Group Director, having managed several projects and programs in between. Clayton received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Florida and a Master of Military Studies from the Marine Corps Command and Staff College, where he was a distinguished graduate. He is also a graduate of the Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School and is a Florida Gator fan for life. Clayton has been involved in the local community and in outreach work for much of his adult life. He has served on the board of Stafford Junction (formerly Olde Forge Junction) since 2005, currently serves as a tutor and mentor for Stafford Junction High School Brain Builders, supports Semper Fi Odyssey (a Wounded Warrior support and transition program) as a speaker and mentor and has served continuously since 1996 as a deacon or an elder at North Stafford Church of Christ (formerly Garrisonville Church of Christ) and has been involved in many community outreach efforts there. Clayton and his wife Jamie have been supporters of Rappahannock United Way for many years.

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