

# Guardian Angel Dinner Dance

2023

The Guardian Angel Dinner Dance is our signature fundraising event to help fulfill our commitment to provide lifesaving services to those in need.

The evening promises to be an uplifting celebration of community partners who share our mission to serve the most vulnerable among us.



## Details

**PLACE:** The Merion  
1301 Route 130 South  
Cinnaminson

**DATE:** Thursday, September 21

**TIME:** 6 to 10 PM

**COST:** \$230 per person

**COCKTAILS ♦ DINNER ♦ DANCING ♦ 50/50 RAFFLE ♦ SILENT AUCTION**

To reserve your seats, visit [www.CatholicCharitiesTrenton.org/GADD2023](http://www.CatholicCharitiesTrenton.org/GADD2023)



# Meet Our Honorees



*Richard J. Hughes, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton Humanitarian Award*

## Michael W. Herbert

Michael W. Herbert followed closely in his father's footsteps on more than one path through life. Like his father did, Michael practices municipal and land use law. Also like his father, he gives of his time and expertise to support Catholic Charities. His father served as President of the Board of Trustees from 2003 to 2004. Michael joined the Mercer County Board in 2017 and currently serves as vice chair of the Board of Trustees. Michael

is a Shareholder at Parker McCay. Michael currently represents the Mercer County Board of County Commissioners, West Windsor and Plainsboro Township, Ewing Planning Board, Marlboro Planning Board, Robbinsville Land Use Board, and the East Brunswick Housing Authority. Michael has expertise in redevelopment and affordable housing and has many developer clients as well. Michael serves as assistant counsel to the Diocese of Trenton. Michael is married to Christine Cofone. He is the proud father of four daughters. He and his family attend Mass at Holy Cross Parish in Rumson and St. George Roman Catholic Church in Titusville.



*Client Achievement Award*

## Brandon

Brandon's life has been through a series of ups and downs but currently his outlook on life is upbeat and positive. He has a job he loves, his own apartment and is an active member of his church. However, his early 20s were not as stable. He faced a series of difficulties that left him homeless for two years in North Carolina, at times he slept in the backseat of a friend's car. Brandon's path to recovery started with a call to his grandmother and a Greyhound bus ride to Trenton. Once there, he was enrolled in the Catholic Charities' Partners in Recovery program, which specializes in helping individuals with psychiatric and co-occurring disorders. Through the program, Brandon received counseling, assistance in managing his mental health and support in finding a job. Brandon has been employed by a janitorial company for the past seven years. During this time, he has become an important member of his team at work. Brandon also visits Partners in Recovery to provide encouragement to current participants and share his personal story.



*Corporate Citizen of the Year Award*

## Dr. Eric I. Schwartz

Dr. Schwartz, executive director of Capital Health's Institute for Urban Care, has demonstrated his commitment to improving health care services for residents of the Trenton area by creating programs that serve the unique needs of the community. Catholic Charities is proud to partner with Dr. Schwartz in the For My Baby and Me program, a collaboration helping pregnant and postpartum women recover from addiction

by providing medication-assisted treatment and counseling, in addition to wraparound services. Dr. Schwartz is a board-certified primary care internal medicine specialist with an MBA in Health Care Management from the Fox School of Business. In addition, he received a certificate in Managing Health Care Delivery from Harvard Business School and a medical degree from the Sackler School of Medicine in Tel Aviv, Israel. Dr. Schwartz is married and has three daughters.



### *Light of Hope Award* The Woman's League of Mount Holly

The Woman's League of Mount Holly has been serving the community since 1903, when its

nine founders set out to address the needs they saw around town. One hundred and twenty years later, the group is 51 members strong and still working diligently on making improvements and helping others. Members say their projects and causes are as varied as the women who belong to the organization. Thankfully for Catholic Charities, Providence House Domestic Violence Services in Burlington has benefited from the League's generosity since 1982. During the pandemic, when the safe houses were full and survivors were being housed in alternative locations, the League donated more than 500 microwaveable meals and snacks. Domestic Violence Chairman Bette Kirby recalls her car being filled many times by members with donations of food. The Woman's League of Mount Holly is a Garden District member of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs and also belongs to the national General Federation of Women's Clubs.



### *Light of Hope Award* Monsignor Dennis Apoldite

As a young man growing up in Trenton, Monsignor Apoldite was an active member of St. Joachim

Church. The connection he had to his parish and the priests there — being an altar server and member of the CYO — had quite an impact. Msgr. Apoldite said he can't remember a time when he didn't want to be a priest. For the past 16 years, he has been serving at Sacred Heart Parish in Trenton, just one mile away from his old neighborhood. He has played an important role within congregations throughout Mercer County: Our Lady of Sorrows, The Church of Saint Ann and St. Alphonsus. He also served at Saint Mary, Mother of God Church in Monmouth County and as Chaplain at Notre Dame High School. He collaborates closely with El Centro Program Director Roberto Hernandez on a frequent basis and Msgr. Apoldite holds great admiration for El Centro's philosophy of providing assistance to anyone who seeks it. His congregation actively participates in welcoming and supporting members of their community.

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GUARDIAN ANGEL	\$2,500

### All sponsors will receive:

- Company logo with link on event website
- Complimentary tickets
- Ad in the program journal

For a full list of benefits visit

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## AD JOURNAL

BACK COVER	8"H x 5.3"W	\$2,000
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*Name listed in journal*

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### Theme Baskets

- Holiday Themes
  - Beach, Camping or Picnic Items
- ### Tickets
- Football, Golf, Baseball, Tennis, Basketball, Hockey, Theatre Shows, Concerts or Comedy Shows

## 50/50 RAFFLE

Tickets are \$10 each or \$90 for a book of 10.  
Last year's awarded prize was over \$13,000!  
Drawing to be held at 9:30 PM on September 21.  
Winner does not need to be present.

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