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April 28, 2023 -- Queen Anne's at Home (QA@H) held its first annual Member Appreciation Night on Tuesday, April 11 at the Moose Club in Queenstown. In attendance were 48 members of the nonprofit organization which is a community of seniors in Queen Anne's County who help each other thrive as they age in their own homes.



(L to R) Phil Stapleton, Margan Glover, Mary Lou Dulina, Betsy Sipes (QA@H)

In conjunction with National Volunteer Month, President Cindy Bach expressed her appreciation for the services provided to the organization and fellow members. The dinner was an occasion to honor those who have contributed their time and energy in service to each other and to the growth of Queen Anne's at Home. "Our members have devoted more than 350 volunteer hours in the first quarter of this year. That's what Queen Anne's at Home is all about."

On behalf of the entire Board of Directors, Bach presented the first-ever Margan Glover Award of Excellence for Outstanding Community Service to Margan Glover, one of the organization's founders. "Margan Glover is truly the driving force behind this organization. Her vision has inspired us all. My goal is to continue the work that she and others started. It is a privilege to lead this group and I'm pleased to say that it has grown to more than 100 members," Bach said. The award will be presented annually to the person who demonstrates exceptional commitment to furthering the group's founding principles which are empowerment, connection, and purpose.

Also recognized:

- Wendy Manzi, Jan Weeda, Brenda Fellows: Service requests
- Linda Teuber-Kampes: Events
- Marlene Pickles: IT & Memberships
- Chuck and Janet Melson: Event Support
- Jennifer Illari: Walking & Outdoor Club
- Dora Jean Hanna: Brain Health Group Leader
- Karen Kirchner: Pickleball
- Kay Alston: Facebook group, Instagram page, Mah Jongg
- Julie Schaeffer: Graphic Design & Video Production

Bach noted that membership benefits include fun activities, friendship, support, education, and peace of mind. QA@H strives to form connections between members through communications, personal visits, social events, educational opportunities, senior life planning, transportation, help with simple household chores, and special programs to reduce the sense of isolation that many seniors can experience. For more information and to join, visit www.queenannesathome.org or call **410-635-4045**.

About Queen Anne's at Home

QA@H is a caring community of seniors who help each other stay safe, healthy, connected, and independent at home. Its mission is to help seniors thrive at home which addresses the number one fear that senior citizens have: "What if I can't stay in my own home?" Members assist each other with rides to appointments and household chores, among other things. QA@H arranges social activities such as coffee meet-ups, happy hours, and outdoor adventures as well as informational seminars where experts present topics relevant to seniors.

Founded in 2018, QA@H is based on the model of seniors helping seniors to thrive as we age in our own homes. Members offer help as they can and seek help as they need. This reciprocity helps build on QA@H's three foundational principles of empowerment, connection, and purpose.

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