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Ms. Connie Darling 5481 Irish Lane Madison, WI 53711

Dear Connie,

I have the great pleasure to inform you that you have been chosen by the WCM Board of Directors to be the 2014 inductee into the WCM Hall of Fame! Each year, WCM recognizes and inducts one community media professional who has shown great leadership and devotion to the mission of public, education, and government access television "empowering people to create media for human purposes." Your decades-long leadership and devotion to the cause of access is one to be proud of and one WCM is very pleased to recognize.

Your involvement in community television dates back to the "very beginning" in the 1980's. You were an early organizer of professionals in the Madison area and were part of the group that formed Inter-comm of Southern Wisconsin, a networking group for PEG access managers. This group later became a chapter of the National Federation of Local Cable Programmers (now the Alliance for Community Media).

During your over 20 years with Fitchburg FACT, you made it your business to know what was going on in the arena of telecommunications policy. Several times you took the lead in educating and organizing community television professionals on legislation affecting cable television and telecommunications. Access managers frequently turned to you for advice on cable franchising. On a personal level, Connie, you were a friend to all and a confidant to many. You have been greatly missed since your retirement in 2010.

WCM would like to present the Hall of Fame award to you at our 2014 Spring Conference in Madison, Wisconsin during our Video Fest Show. The event is being held at the Concourse Hotel on Friday April 25. You and a guest are invited to the Exhibitors Reception at 5:30 pm, the Banquet at 6:30 pm and the Show afterward.

As a member of the WCM Hall of Fame, you will also become an Emeritus Member of WCM. The "Emeritus" membership category enables WCM to recognize and utilize the experience and talents of retired community television professionals. Emeritus members have all the rights of station members including being eligible to serve on committees and run for the Board.

Please let me know if you can be present to accept this award by giving me a call anytime at 608-215-5594. Congratulations on your well-deserved recognition and I hope to see you!

Sincerely,

Many Cardona

Executive Director