

CORNERSTONE AWARD HONOREE

Windy McKenna is currently a member of the Gahanna-Jefferson Board of Education. McKenna has served as a G-J Board of Education member for 14 years. In 2002, she was one of five members to receive the Central Ohio Region Outstanding Board Member Award.

McKenna received a B.S. degree in Business Education from St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, Indiana, and after graduation taught Adult Education in the Columbus Schools. All of McKenna's and husband Al's six children attended kindergarten through 12th-grade in the Gahanna-Jefferson School District, and all graduated from Gahanna Lincoln High School. Three of her grandchildren are currently students in the district's schools.

McKenna's civic duties to the Gahanna community have always been a top priority. She was an actively involved parent contributing to school activities such as room parent, PTA/PTO members, chaperone for field trips and a presence at numerous school events, which led her to pursue an elected role on the G-J Board of Education.

During her board terms, McKenna has assisted in significant growth and improvement within the district, as well as financial stability, student achievement, staff morale and professional development.

McKenna also is a member and officer in both the Gahanna chapter of the Ohio Child Conservation League and of the Academy Acres Civic Association fostering a quality neighborhood through civic action.