6th District Difference Makers honored for community betterment

A neighborhood block club, residents and a successful community garden program were honored during last night’s 6th District town hall meeting by Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs for making the district a great place in which to live, and each was presented with a 2017 Dr. James G. White 6th District Difference Makers Award.

Alderwoman Coggs, who presented the awards during the meeting (held in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, 310 W. Locust St.), said selfless and dedicated work to better the district, neighborhoods and the community is truly worthy of recognition and thanks. “Each of us should be asking what we can do to make our neighborhood and our community better, and without regard for what personal reward or personal gain may come of it,” she said. “Our award winners have consistently shown that compassion and spirit.”

“That spirit, mindset and energy is what the Difference Makers Award is all about, as it truly embodies the beliefs and actions of the late Dr. James G. White,” Alderwoman Coggs said.

Last night’s 2017 Dr. James G. White 6th District Difference Makers Award winners were:

- The Buffum Street Executives (Block Club)
- The Victory Garden Initiative (program)
- Terry Mambu Rasch (resident)
- James Greer (resident)

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- Churchill Caruthers Jr. (resident)
- Marion Minger (resident)

Alderman Coggs established the Dr. James G. White 6th District Difference Makers Awards to recognize those residents and organizations that work diligently to improve and strengthen the quality of life for themselves, their neighborhood and the City of Milwaukee. Dr. White was a resident of the 6th District who served as a county supervisor and the regional vice president of WestCare Wisconsin Harambee Community Center, facilitating countless neighborhood projects and programs. He used his gifts, talents and knowledge to improve and empower his community.

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