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Annual Gala Returns May 5

Arlington, VA - Leadership Center for Excellence proudly presents Black & White Ball, formerly Monte Carlo Night. This annual gala is an evening of dancing, dining and bidding on exciting auction items to support the Leadership Arlington Youth Program for area high school students. Black & White Ball will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 7:00pm until 11:00pm at Army Navy Country Club in Arlington.

"This year's Black and White Ball will truly be a night to remember as we toast to an amazing first 20 years for the Leadership Center for Excellence," said Mike Richardson, Vice President & Commercial Bank Officer of Chain Bridge, member of the Leadership Center for Excellence Board of Regents and graduate of the Leadership Arlington Class of 2013. "I want to encourage each of our 1,600 plus members, along with the community, to join in celebrating the positive impacts our organization has made in the community and help this year's event be a huge success in raising funds for the Leadership Arlington Youth Program."



Each year, hundreds of guests attend Black & White Ball, formerly Monte Carlo Night. The evening is an excellent opportunity for leaders in the public, private and nonprofit sector to connect with one another in a fun and elegant setting while supporting a great cause.

Proceeds from the silent and live auctions at Black & White Ball support the Leadership Arlington Youth Program, a community leadership program for local rising juniors and seniors in high school. Launched in 2004, the Youth Program is designed to enhance leadership skills, philanthropy and civic engagement for rea high school students.

The Early Bird ticket price of \$195 is available through Friday, April 13. After April 13, the price per ticket increases to \$250. The ticket includes access to the open bar and a buffet dinner. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit leadercenter.org/gala.

About Leadership Center for Excellence

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