The annual Jefferson-Jackson Dinner held Sunday May 4, 2014 at the McLean Hilton Hotel was attended by more than 350 Democratic activists including nearly 50 current and past elected officials including Senator Mark Warner, Congressman Jim Moran and Congressman Gerry Connolly, Lieutenant Governor Ralph Northam, Virginia State Senators and Delegates, Chairman Sharon Bulova of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and Members of the Board of Supervisors, Fairfax Sheriff, Soil and Water Conservation, At Large and District Members of the Fairfax County School Board, and elected members of Herndon and Vienna town councils. The formal event was dedicated to honor the 26 years of public service of U.S. Congressman Jim Moran, who will retire at the end of his current term.

Sue Langley, Chair of FCDC, stated, “Tonight’s turnout and the energy in this room excite us for the contests to come this November. We are well positioned to enter the fall election season with the resources we will need to continue turning Virginia blue. While the retirement of Jim Moran will be a great loss for our area and the commonwealth, we have great candidates running to succeed him. After we nominate and elect a successor, re-elect Gerry Connolly and, most significantly elect John Foust in the 10th Congressional District, we will have three Democrats representing Fairfax County in Congress at this time next year.” Virginia’s senior Senator Mark

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Warner and keynote speaker former Obama strategist Mitch Stewart electrified the crowd. Warner stressed the importance of finding bipartisan solutions to America’s complex problems, and Stewart recognized the grassroots contributions made by the people attending the dinner in making Virginia a significant national battleground state in Presidential elections.

A heartfelt summary of her father’s career was delivered by Ms. Mary Moran. Congressman Moran delivered his own memorable speech while joined on stage by Congressman Gerry Connolly and the assembled elected officials. These speeches emphasized the Congressman’s willingness to provide a voice for the voiceless among the corridors of power in Washington.
Jefferson-Jackson Dinner 2014 Award Presentations

FCDC District Committee Member of the Year
Bob Haley

FCDC District Committee Volunteer of the Year
Ellen Hayes

FCDC Outstanding District Committee of the Year
Mt. Vernon District
Jefferson-Jackson Dinner 2014 Award Presentations

Charles S. Robb
Young Leaders Award
Matthew J. Bell

Lynda J. Robb
Community Service Award
Laura Sonnenmark

Jefferson-Jackson Dinner District Award Recipients

Member of the Year
Ray Smith, Braddock
Herb Kemp, Dranesville
Bob Haley, Hunter Mill
Ed Joseph, Lee
Alex Rodriguez, Mason
Ana Prados, Mt. Vernon
Senora Avery, Providence
Patsy Brown, Sully

Volunteer of the Year
Ellen Hayes, Braddock
Raquel Saenz, Dranesville
John Horesji, Hunter Mill
Agnes Johnson, Lee
Roger Downey, Mason
Claudia Creo, Mt. Vernon
Bill Ackerman, Springfield
Jefferson-Jackson Dinner 2014 Silent Auction

“FCDC held its most successful silent auction this year thanks to Beverly Jurenko with the help provided by the silent auction team, including Nadja Golding, Maggi Luca, and Matt Bell.”

- Sue Thomas, FCDC Finance Chair
Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner 2014
Food, Laughter and Friends

"Our local heroes in Northern Virginia remain anonymous to the communities that stand on their shoulders."