

Riderwood Volunteer Ted Ifft receives honor as

“Volunteer of the Year”

The Senior Connection’s volunteers were honored as part of National Volunteer Week on April 22, 2010 in recognition of their wonderful service to seniors living in Montgomery County. The Azalea lined entrance to the Woman’s Club of Chevy Chase was akin to the “Red Carpet” at an Oscar ceremony. The volunteers and guests were welcomed by the Board Co-president, Joanne Balkovich, followed by the blessing of our meal by Board Member, Ruth Manchester. *Through the Kitchen Door Catering* served a wonderful meal while the volunteers had an opportunity to meet and share stories with each other.

With appetites satisfied, the guests were entertained by Accordionist Nancy Leonard, who played a wide repertoire of songs. Her husband Tom offered his time and talent by photographing the event.

Mr. Theodor Ifft, a busy and active Riderwood volunteer, received special recognition as *Volunteer of the Year* for having logged the most volunteer hours. Riderwood liaison, Adele Messinger, accepted on his behalf, since Ted, unaware that he was to receive this honor, was scheduled to participate in a golf tournament.

The event ended with Executive Director, Sue Dollins, praising her devoted staff, board members and the volunteers who give so generously to help Montgomery County seniors. Their efforts help make Montgomery County a great place to age.