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The 2006 recipients (from left to right) are: Rose Ann Schwartz, Kensington Parkwood Elementary School, Kensington, Md.; Cheryl Thompson, Mantua Elementary School, Fairfax, Va.; Arthur Irving Linder, Sr., Youth Services Center, Washington, DC; Joseph W. McPherson, Brookewood School (Private), Kensington, Md.; Rose Avent, Oakridge Elementary School, Arlington, Va.; Ruth Naomi Rhone, Suitland High School, Forestville, Md.



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