



# Constella Hines-Zimmerman, PhD

## Emeritus Trustee

Dr. Constella Hines-Zimmerman served as former Director of the Integrated Community Outreach Networks (ICON), Research Development and Engineering Center (RDEC), Fort Monmouth, NJ. In this position Dr. Zimmerman consolidated a number of disparate programs such as the Science Engineering and Apprentice Program (SEAP), Junior Science Symposium, Math and Science Summer Camp, eCYBERMISSION, national science center, director's outreach committee, fort discovery, and army research lab science fairs. By consolidating these programs under a single comprehensive umbrella, ICON, she was able to provide amazing opportunities to collaborate with RDEC directorates to reach a larger constituency and provide educational opportunities for young people in the community by exposing them to engineers and scientists at Ft. Monmouth. This interaction was welcomed by local leaders in the community and this partnership played a major role in expanding an outreach program for a larger Evans area community.

This partnership with local community leaders who provided a venue to reach out to the community was immensely successful. This affiliation opened doors for young people in Monmouth and Ocean Counties to have opportunities to engage in STEM related activities. Young people in these counties had a local site where they could learn about former and present scientific accomplishments that had major impact within the private and public sector. As a crowning achievement the InfoAge Center was integrated into Icon which was beneficial to InfoAge and ICON. Engaging young people at this site provided opportunities for them to have one on one lifetime experiences on major historical contributions. The partnership forged between Fort

Monmouth and InfoAge had an indelible impact on the community that cannot be overstated.

Hines-Zimmerman represented Team Fort Monmouth at local, regional, and national meetings and she served on numerous planning committees to include the National Science Center and she represented CECOM on the Executive Board of the Junior Science Symposium. Dr. Zimmerman has received numerous accolades for her active work in the community and for her comprehensive outreach program. She has also served as an adjunct professor at Morris College, Sumter S.C. Dr. Zimmerman began her government service in 1975 with the Drug Enforcement Administration as a Diversion Investigator. She joined Fort Monmouth as an EEO manager and has also served as a personnel specialist. Subsequently, she entered the CECOM RDEC as a career program specialist where she served as the Community Outreach Program Director.

Dr. Zimmerman had a Bachelor's Degree in music from Benedict College (awarded 1970); a Master's Degree in Adult Education from the University of Virginia (awarded 1979); and a Doctorate degree in Administration and Supervision from Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, awarded in 1998. She was a board member of the INFOAGE Learning Center from 2003 until 2006. She was a graduate of the Civilian Leadership Development Program and a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and she volunteered locally as a mentor at local schools and the Canaan Baptist Church. She and her husband James are the parents of a daughter and son.

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