



*2017
Hats Off to
Volunteers*

April 22, 2017

Hosted by:



*The Rancho Bernardo
Community Foundation*



*The RB High School
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PROGRAM

WELCOME Nick Anastasopoulos
Chairman, Hats Off to Volunteers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MUSICAL SELECTIONS. Ensemble of the RB Chorale

RECOGNITION OF HONOREES

Community Associations. . . Brian Maienschein, California State Assembly
Civic and Business Groups Mark Kersey, San Diego City Council
School Organizations . . . Dr. Marian Kim-Phelps, PUSD Superintendent
Safety, Health & Human Services. Captain Stephanie Rose, SDPD
Organizations Serving Seniors & Veterans. Ken Blanchard, Author
Organizations Serving Youth. Brian Sipe, Retired NFL Quarterback
& Robin Kaufman, RB Recreation Council
Service Clubs. Kristin Gaspar, San Diego County Supervisor
Arts, Education & Faith. Tommy Sablan, KyXy Radio Personality
Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame Valerie Brown, President

CLOSING REMARKS Debbie Kurth
President, Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation

GROUP PHOTO OF HONOREES

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THIS YEAR'S HONOREES

1) COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

ELLEN WATERS Casa de las Campanas

Ellen is Casa's Health Services chair and led 30 Casa women in knitting over 1000 items last year for veterans, infants, and families in need.

DR. JOE TRAXLER Community Association of Bernardo Heights

Joe has worked tirelessly as Past President and chairman of several committees. He always puts the best interest of the community as his top priority.

D. SCOTT HALL Eastview RB Community Center

Scott provides outstanding service on Eastview's architectural review committee and the RB Planning Board, and uses his knowledge to assist homeowners -- a significant community asset.

GEORGE COOKE High Country West

George has been involved in our community for over 25 years. He was Past President and has been instrumental in solving many community issues.

JEANNE MACLAREN Oaks North Community Center

As President of our Board of Directors, Jeanne oversaw the insurance claim and successful rebuilding of our pool house, which had been destroyed by fire.

JANE MORGAN Rancho Bernardo Swim & Tennis Club

Jane has served over 40 years, including as President and Architecture Committee chair. Her experience as a realtor and Board member are huge community assets.

ALAN TURNER Seven Oaks Community Center

Alan is a Board member. He developed a community website and oversees maintenance of the Community Center. He readily accepts any task asked of him.

ANDY KUTZNER. The Westwood Club

Andy has served as a volunteer Board member for four years, three as Treasurer. He was instrumental in our gym remodel and landscape project.

2) CIVIC & BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS

GORDON STABLES Conservative Order for Good Government

Gordon organized our Holiday Wounded Warriors Lunch at Balboa Hospital. Over 70 attended. He also coordinated member donations to the San Diego Food Bank.

ALEX LAWN Rancho Bernardo Business Association

Alex is always ready to volunteer for any and all projects with our organization. He gets things done, and always with a smile.

RUTH CODDINGTON . . Rancho Bernardo Community Council

Ruth has devoted countless hours as our historian and past PR chair. She is always first to volunteer in planning our numerous community-wide events.

MAUREEN ROULEAU. Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation

Maureen has served on our Board for 16 years. Thanks to her, the Foundation has received \$100,000 in proceeds from cruises she has organized.

**ROBIN KAUFMAN Rancho Bernardo Community
Planning Board**

Robin has been an active member since 2008, serving as Vice Chair, Secretary, and committee member. Her community knowledge and her efforts have been invaluable.

**MELINDA WINSHIP Rancho Bernardo Republican Women
Federated**

Our Vice President Melinda dedicates her community service hours volunteering with the Police Department in Crisis Intervention, providing emotional support during traumatic incidents.

MIKE GAYLORD Rancho Bernardo Recreation Council

Mike showed outstanding patience and organizational skill as chair of the Dog Park Ad Hoc Committee this year, hearing public concerns about the Dog Park.

EARL ASBURY Spirit of the Fourth

Earl has been a significant contributor to our event for many years. He organizes our car show and manages our Freedom Club fundraising campaign.

3) SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

MIKE JONES RB High School Foundation

Mike has enthusiastically led the Foundation during his tenure as President. He's a big picture guy. No job is too big or too small.

**HEATHER KOSTYZAK RB High School Friends of
the Library**

Heather has worked hard doing publicity, volunteering at events, and serving as a dedicated Board member of our organization.

DAYSE EKHOLM. RB High School PTSA

Dayse has been a invaluable member. She has assisted in organizing events that improve students' safety and well being and increase awareness of our mission.

JANICE RIEDEL. Bernardo Heights Middle School

Janice is the driving force behind our Science Olympiad. She has coordinated all aspects of the program. The program exists because of her.

JAMIE STINSON.Chaparral Elementary School

Jamie handles PTA details with a quiet touch. She is always ready to help, contributing in so many ways without need of recognition.

ELISE TIREGOL-PALA . . Highland Ranch Elementary School

Elise has been instrumental in organizing our Everyone a Reader program. She's a key member of our Foundation and is loved and respected by all.

DARRIUS & SUNDAY NOWELL Turtleback Elementary School

The Nowells spent countless hours on Turtleback's Harvest Festival this year, planning and implementing exciting new aspects that made it a successful, fun event.

AMY SOSAWestwood Elementary School

Amy gives countless hours to the students at Westwood Elementary, doing whatever is needed in the volunteer workroom and helping with Running Club events.

KAREN BRAINARDSeniors Helping Our Kids

Karen is a volunteer reading tutor and also serves on our leadership team, coordinating her fellow volunteers at the elementary school where she tutors.

4) SAFETY, HEALTH, AND HUMAN SERVICES

PEG FRUECHTING . . . Assistance League of Inland No. County

Peg is an amazing volunteer in our Thrift Shop □scheduler, money counter, and filler of shifts. The shop helps to fund our philanthropic projects.

LINDA BOUCHARD Backyard Produce Project

Linda does a great job coordinating our tree picking team □volunteers who pick residential fruit trees and donate the produce to local families in need.

JANET KLING Fired Up Sisters of Southern California

Janet is dedicated to Fired Up Sisters, volunteering her artistic talents, leading member meetings, and chairing our upcoming 2007 Fires Tenth Anniversary Reunion.

MARCIA LOWE Gently Hugged

Marcia is faithful and dedicated. She works diligently behind the scenes to make sure clothing provided for babies in need meets our high standards.

ROBERTA FENDER Palomar Health

Roberta has done an outstanding job as Coordinator of the Gift Shop at Palomar Medical Center Poway. The Gift Shop is thriving under her leadership.

STEVE PALMER RB Emergency Radio Service

Steve has provided long-term support to our organization. He□ a regular participant in meetings, drills, and special events, keeping RB prepared for any disaster.

MARY WAGNER Rancho Bernardo Neighborhood Watch

Mary has done an outstanding job coordinating Block Captain training as Rancho Bernardo has relaunched its Neighborhood Watch program this past year.

VERN BOWMAN..... RB Retired Senior Volunteer Patrol

Vern joined us in 2014 after 36 years of service with the San Diego Police Department. He is a dedicated member of our group.

SHERI SMITH..... Ride Above Disability Therapeutic Riding Center

Sheri’s knowledge, kindness, encouragement, heart, and incredible support mean the world to everyone who works around her. Her dedication is extraordinary.

ELAINE JETER..... Seven Oaks Radio Emergency Team

Elaine joined us two years ago with no radio background, then passed her HAM radio technician exam at age 80. We love her enthusiasm.

5) ORGANIZATIONS SERVING SENIORS & VETERANS

HELENA HYMAN..... Ed Brown Center for Active Adults

Helena has been an outstanding receptionist for four years and is in charge of welcoming new members to the Ed Brown family.

JIM MANSON..... Jewish Family Service - On the Go

Jim is a valued Rides & Smiles volunteer driver, providing over 500 rides. He and his wife, Barbara, are wonderful ambassadors for our program.

DIANE HERBKA..... Military Order of the World Wars

Diane has been our treasurer for two years. Her outstanding work in that position earned us a cash stipend from the national organization.

PEGGY JOHNSON..... Quilts of Valor

In spite of a personally difficult year, Peggy continued to share her talents with Quilts of Valor, making quilts to honor our Veterans.

HOWARD ROSENSTEIN Rancho Bernardo Senior Services

Howard is one of the most reliable and knowledgeable volunteers serving in our office, always willing to step up when and where he is needed.

MERV ADAMS Rancho Bernardo Veterans Memorial Association

Merv is an essential part of our organization. His diligence, devotion, and hard work enable us to serve the community with our patriotic ceremonies.

TRACI ZELL Team Red, White and Blue

Traci's patriotic spirit and dedication brought together military Veterans and RB High School students, staff , and community for our annual team hike across I-56.

BILL HANSON Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7766

Bill builds wooden toy parts for Veterans□children and teaches them to assemble them. He does this for active duty Marines' homecomings and Christmas parties.

6) ORGANIZATIONS SERVING YOUTH

WINNIE LEE Boy Scouts Rancho Mesa District

Winnie has done an outstanding job as our membership chair. She emphasizes diversity and inclusion, and has put in place measures to ensure sustainable growth.

SUNNY JEROME Girl Scouts of RB / 4S Ranch

Sunny lives up to her name. Her humor makes each challenge lighter, and she is dedicated to keeping girls in scouting.

RUBEN LOPEZ Rancho Bernardo Little League

Ruben's dedication to youth sports and to our league , which serves over 300 families, has been essential to our continued success in the community.

GARRY GATCHALIAN RB Youth Basketball League

Garry is a Board member and someone who makes a difference. His graphic design work on our website and uniforms has really improved our image.

SCOTT MILLER San Diego Soccer Club

In a time of major changes in youth soccer, Scott headed our Strategic Planning committee, helping us overcome hurdles and plan for the future.

CO-WINNERS OF THIS YEAR’S GLASSMAN BROWN RECREATIONAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

MATT HUNT

Matt has been the straw that stirs Rancho Bernardo Youth Lacrosse. Coach, Board member, and mentor □he is the soul of Youth LaCrosse.

BRIAN UNDERHILL

Brian has coached championship teams and also worked administratively for both RB Little League and RB Pop Warner, greatly benefitting both organizations.



It’s not too early to secure your premier sponsorship at this year’s Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation Thanksgiving Luncheon.

The Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation puts on this annual event to bring together friends and community and business leaders in the Thanksgiving spirit. The proceeds of the luncheon have benefitted many community organizations, with more than \$100,000 distributed! Phone 619-764-8602

7) SERVICE CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

LAURA POMEROY Kiwanis Club of Los Rancheros

Laura is a shining light for Los Rancheros Kiwanis. She is an amazing volunteer in so many respects and we are so grateful to have her.

OSCAR TEEL Rancho Bernardo Lions Club

Oscar has been a Lion since 1993. He volunteers at all our fundraisers and his writing for our newsletter has won numerous first place awards.

VERN COOK Rancho Bernardo Rotary Club

Vern has done an outstanding job as our Community Services Program Chair, organizing community service projects for our members participation.

MARY STANTON Rancho Bernardo Sunrise Rotary Club

Mary works behind the scenes ensuring all is moving forward. She is always prepared, always supportive, and dedicated to promoting Rotary and building good will.



When you make a gift of \$1,000 or more to the RB Community Foundation, your name will be embedded on a granite plaque in Webb Park along with past community donors.

Donations are added to the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation endowment that gives back each year to organizations that improve quality of life in the community. Phone 619-764-8602

FRED WANG Rancho Bernardo Toastmasters

As past club President and member since 2000, Fred provides outstanding support to Toastmasters and its mission to develop speaking and leadership skills for members.

FERN KRAVETS Rancho Bernardo Woman's Club

Fern is our club's outstanding ambassador, coordinating reservations to our luncheon meetings, where we raise funds to support scholarships and other community organizations. .

NORM RENTLE. Shrine Club of Rancho Bernardo

Norm has been a generous contributor to our club for many years as we support the Shriner Hospitals. He continues to serve the community.

GINNY BROWN Soroptimist International No. San Diego

Ginny brings her social media expertise to our web site, our Facebook page, and other publicity. She has also chaired our membership committee.

8) ARTS, EDUCATION, AND FAITH ORGANIZATIONS

JOHN DEAN Friends of the Rancho Bernardo Library

Dependable, organized, helpful, friendly, and generous, John, our secretary, always volunteered for difficult jobs and provided more than asked for in every assignment.

JAN BAILEY Incarnation Lutheran Church

Jan is an amazing volunteer, taking food to a local shelter, coordinating our Day of Service, organizing dinner for the homeless, and more.

PEGGY ROSSI Rancho Bernardo Historical Society

Peggy's contributions over the years include managing archives of historical items and digitizing thousands of photos and documents to preserve the history of Rancho Bernardo.

SANDY JANCIC RB Chorale

Sandy creatively leads the Chorale's fund raising efforts, allowing us to provide scholarships to students pursuing their dreams of higher education in the musical arts.

AUDREY WACHTMAN Temple Adat Shalom

Audrey has been a dedicated volunteer at our preschool for many years. Her help is invaluable. Her commitment to demonstrating ethics and values is tremendous.

9) RANCHO BERNARDO HALL OF FAME

DAVE BROOKS

Dave has been an outstanding leader in Spirit of the Fourth, Rotary Club, the RB Community Foundation, and the Ed Brown Center for Active Adults.

SCOTT LAWN

Scott has shown outstanding leadership in saving Webb Lake, in the RB Business Association, and in organizing the RB Community Foundation's annual Thanksgiving Luncheon.

JAY RIORDAN

Jay has been an outstanding leader in RB Rotary, RB Community Council, Poway Center for the Performing Arts, and the Casa de Las Campanas Board.

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**Individuals and businesses become members
by making a minimum annual donation of \$500.**

**Half of the funds go to a permanent endowment;
the other half go immediately into grants distributed
at our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. Phone 619-764-8602**

Special Thanks to the Hats Off Committee

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Alex Lawn
Jeff Shea**

**Gary Carlson
Scott Lawn
Mary Shea**

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