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Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame Celebration

**Commemorating the Installation
of Our New Members**

Carl Kruse
Harvey Levine
Alan Turner

Reception

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Dinner and Program

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 16, 2025

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The Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame Roster

1974 Will Clements* Merle Francis* Royal Kemp* Clara KJose* Elmer Parsons* Roy Rosenberg* P.J. Skill* Ray Webb*	1987 J.W. “Woody” Beard* Charles Jacobs* Lee Turner*	2006 Steve Riddle Jim Roth
1975 Rhoda Fowler Knight* Jerry Dăosek* Marjory Johnson*	1989 Ed Brown* James Hague*	2007 Don Gragg Jerry Hetherington* Jeff Shea
1976 John Brandt* David Littauer* Doug McCoy* Ron Nish* Howard Westcott*	1990 Stuart Glassman*	2008 Craig Brown Jim Denton*
1977 Hal Fletcher* Lou Rich* Dave Willets* Ruth Wilson*	1992 Jim Abbott Lew Gary*	2009 Gary Carlson Marty Judge
1978 Marion Broer* Marie Gaskill Amberson* Marge Gibson* Alex Sirpis* Dorothy Willets* Mike Wilson*	1993 James T. Carter* Bob Wells*	2010 Harry Summers* Honorary Member
1979 Bob Bruemmer* Karl Ewerhardt* Dave Kreitzer* Bob Kyle* Earl Mahaney* Rudy Paulson* Sharon Purviance	1994 Tom Bilhorn Bob Fletcher Al Totino*	2011 Karen Rott
1980 Bill Collins* Ed Letscher*	1995 J. Philip Bohart* Karen Johanson Robert H. Smith*	2012 Valerie Brown Steven DeMatteo Thomas Lettington
1981 Ora Peckham* Duke Peasley*	1996 Bruce Cornblum Remy Hudson* Ramona Kiltz	2013 Pat Bean* Marla Cruz Richard Mason*
1982 Joe Morreale*	1997 Jack Mitchell*	2015 Shirley Black* Nancy Canfield
1983 Bert Ball*	1998 Nick Anastasopoulos Jacqueline Nelson* Lee Okeson*	2016 Dave Brooks Scott Lawn Jay Riordan
1984 Dolores Doty* Helen Letscher* Michael Stelman	1999 James Reading* Ronald Wilson	2017 Thomas Cook* Linda Gannon Michael Vaughn
1985 Sheila Mahon Eileen Haag Honorary Member Jim Doty*	2000 Myrna Reese* Ted Gaasch	2018 Michael Farrell Eldon Jennings Karen Stelman
1986 Joyce Glaser* Don LaRocque* Alex Summers*	2001 Barbara Crouch* Robert Smith* Vicki Touchstone	2019 Don Glover Debbie Kurth Don Schmidt
	2002 Richard Belzer Larry McIntyre* Joyce Tavrow	2020 Bill Chaffin
	2003 Abe Baum* George Cooke Jane Radatz	2022 Mike Fuqua Jim Hyldahl
	2004 Marie Graver* Jim Harmon* Robin Kaufman	2023 Trudy Armstrong Charley Crew
	2005 Phyllis Comer Tom Richards* Dick Walker*	2024 Reed Reichert Gary Saks

2019 Debbie Kurth - Inducted for her outstanding leadership for years on the board of the Rancho Bernardo Business Association, including President; and for years of service on the board of the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation, including President and Chair of the Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon.

2019 Don Schmidt - Inducted for his leadership with the Major Abraham J. Baum VFW Post 7766.

2020 Bill Chaffin - Inducted for his leadership in saving the Blue Sky Reserve. Outstanding leadership in both the RB Community Foundation with the Cruise Program; and raising funds for the Palomar Health Foundation.

2022 Mike Fuqua - Inducted for his outstanding leadership in the RB Rotary Club. Created the “Vines and Vittles” Annual Event, resulting in grants being distributed to various non-profits in the Rancho Bernardo Community.

2022 Jim Hyldahl - Inducted for his outstanding leadership in the RB Rotary Club. Responsible for instituting Community Clean Up Days and the installation of Neighborhood Watch Signs for four consecutive years.

2023 Trudy Armstrong - Inducted for her outstanding leadership in the RB Community including RB Sunrise Rotary Club, SD North Business Chamber, Soroptimist of SD, RB High School Foundation, and RBBA.

2023 Charley Crew - Inducted for his outstanding leadership in the RB Rotary Club, as President, coordinated relief efforts during Witch Creek fire, partnered with P.E.O. to establish scholarships; chairs Youth Protection Program.

2024 Reed Reichert - Outstanding leadership, Kiwanis Club of Rancho Bernardo, as President – increased membership, added service projects/fundraisers; increasing scholarships/grants. Co-created with SD USO – Food Program, Waves of Appreciation aiding RB military families.

2024 Gary Saks - Outstanding leadership - RB Rotary Club, as President - streamlined grant process; expanded scholarship program. Special Olympics Golf Volunteer Golf. Pro bono eye exams for indigent RB families and more.

The Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame

Celebrating 51 years, the purpose of the Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame is to recognize persons who have rendered outstanding volunteer services that have contributed to the development and enhancement of the quality of life in Rancho Bernardo.

The idea for honoring residents who have made significant contributions was discussed initially in 1974. This led to the formation of a citizens’ committee composed of representatives from RB organizations which developed the original criteria for the persons elected to membership in the first group, the 1974 honorees.

Membership is based on outstanding volunteer service and leadership in organizations designed to serve others in Rancho Bernardo, enhance the quality of life in RB, improve health or education in RB, or foster the civic or cultural life of RB - leadership that has resulted in significant contributions to the Rancho Bernardo Community.

2012 Valerie Brown – Inducted for her involvement in RB United, RB Neighborhood Watch, and the Spirit of the Fourth.

2012 Steve DeMatteo – Inducted for his involvement in the Spirit of the Fourth, Kiwanis Club of Rancho Bernardo Activities Chair, and the Rancho Bernardo Community Council's Maintenance Assessment District.

2012 Tom Lettington – Inducted for his involvement in Rancho Bernardo Veterans Memorial Association.

2013 Marla Cruz – Inducted for her leadership skills with RB Tastings, RB Fire Safe Council, RB Alive Safety Fair, and Spirit of the Fourth.

2015 Nancy Canfield – Inducted for her leadership with the Rancho Bernardo Historical Society.

2016 Dave Brooks – Inducted for his outstanding leader in Spirit of the Fourth, the RB Rotary, the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation, and the Ed Brown Center for Active Adults.

2016 Scott Lawn – Inducted for his outstanding leadership in saving Webb Lake, in the Rancho Bernardo Business Association, and his service in the Rancho Bernardo Community Foundation.

2016 Jay Riordan – Inducted for his outstanding leadership in RB Sunrise Rotary, RB Community Council, Poway Center for the Performing Arts, and the Casa de las Campanas Board.

2017 Linda Gannon - Inducted for her leadership with the Rancho Bernardo High School Friends of the Library.

2017 Michael Vaughn - Inducted for his leadership with the Rancho Bernardo Veterans Memorial Association.

2018 Michael Farrell – Inducted for his outstanding leadership in Los Rancheros Kiwanis Club and throughout the community, benefiting everyone from youth to seniors.

2018 Eldon Jennings - Inducted for his outstanding leadership in the Rancho Bernardo Boy Scouts - Scoutmaster for 31 years, mentoring close to 90 Eagle Scouts.

2018 Karen Stelman – Inducted for her outstanding leadership in the Rotary Club of Rancho Bernardo, in Light the Cross, and in the Healing Fields commemoration.

2019 Don Glover - Inducted for his leadership in the Rotary Club of Rancho Bernardo and its Foundation.

Program

Welcome

**Introduction of Sponsors & Special Guests
Debbie Kurth**

Dinner

**Announcements & Door Prizes
Debbie Kurth, Scott Lawn, & Dave Brooks**

**Introduction of Carl Kruse
Marty Judge**

Carl Kruse Comments

**Introduction of Harvey Levine
Jan Goldsmith**

Harvey Levine Comments

**Introduction of Alan Turner
Mike Fuqua**

Alan Turner Comments

**Farewell
Debbie Kurth**

Officers

**President.....Debbie Kurth
Vice President.....Scott Lawn
Secretary.....Trudy Armstrong
Treasurer.....Dave Brooks
Immediate Past President...Robin Kaufman**

Living Members of the RB Hall of Fame

1979 Sharon Purviance – Inducted for work in the Westwood PTA, RB Basketball League, Little League, Palomar Council PTA, and RB Junior Woman’s Club.

1984 Michael Stelman – Inducted for work in RB Chamber of Commerce, RB Planning Board, Westwood Men’s Club, Spirit of the Fourth Committee, Little League, and Pop Warner Football.

1985 Sheila Mahon – Inducted for work in Rancho Bernardo HOA, Swim and Tennis, RB Continuing Education Center, RB Planning Board, RB Community Council, Symphony on the Green, Lions Club, World Affairs Council, and the RB Easter Seals Committee.

1985 Eileen Haag – Received ‘Special Honorary Award’ for Contributions to the Community.

1992 Jim Abbott – Inducted for work on the RB Community Council and the RB Community Library Association.

1994 Tom Bilhorn – Inducted for work on the RB Planning Board and RB Community Library Association.

1994 Bob Fletcher – Inducted for work on RB Senior Services, RB Lions Club, Student Speakers Committee.

1995 Karen Johanson – Inducted for work on the Rancho Bernardo HOA, RB Recreation Council, Spirit of the Fourth Committee, RB Community Foundation, and RB Planning Board.

1996 Bruce Cornblum – Inducted for involvement in the RB Recreation Council, RB Sports Hall of Fame, Youth Soccer, Youth Basketball, Little League, and Pony League.

1996 Ramona Kiltz – Inducted for involvement in RB Soroptimists, San Dieguito Conservancy and RB Planning Board.

1998 Nick Anastasopoulos – Inducted for his outstanding leadership in the RB Recreation Council, RB High School Foundation, RB Aquatic Foundation, and as a leader and coach in sports.

1999 Ron Wilson – Inducted for involvement in High Country West HOA, RB Planning Board, RB Little League, and RB High School Foundation.

2000 Ted Gaasch – Inducted for service on the Westwood Club Board of Directors, including President. Served on the Neighborhood Watch / Emergency Preparedness Board of Directors. Served on the Rancho Bernardo Community Council, including President. Served on the RB Community Foundation, implementing the defibrillator program for community centers.

2001 Vicki Touchstone – Inducted for involvement on the RB Planning Board, the Tree Advisory Board and the San Pasqual Visionary Task Force.

2002 Richard Belzer – Inducted for involvement on the RB Planning Board, Big Brothers and Sisters Program, and Member of SCORE.

2002 Joyce Tavrow – Inducted for her involvement in holding various offices on the RB Planning Board.

2003 George Cooke – Inducted for his work on the RB Transit Center, the RB Community Council, the RB Planning Board, the Sound Wall projects, and the Pedestrian Bridge in High Country West.

2003 Jane Radatz – Inducted for her leadership as Director of Seniors Helping Our Kids (SHOK), Chairman of the PPH Community Action Council, and President of the Joslyn Center.

2004 Robin Kaufman – Inducted for her leadership roles in RB Community Council, RB Recreation Council, RB Dog Park, San Diego Love on a Leash, and the RB Planning Board.

2005 Phyllis Comer – Inducted for her leadership in Seniors Helping Our Kids (SHOK).

2006 Steve Riddle – Inducted for leadership as co-founder of RB Chamber of Commerce, RB Foundation, Casa de las Campanas Board, COGG, and the Rancho Bernardo Business Association.

2006 Jim Roth – Inducted for his leadership in RB Chamber of Commerce, Bernardo Town Center Property Association, Blue Sky Community Foundation, Poway Center for Performing Arts, and the RB Sunrise Rotary.

2007 Don Gragg – Inducted for his leadership in Continuing Education Center, San Diego World Affairs Council and its North County Chapter.

2007 Jeff Shea – Inducted for his leadership in the Westwood Elementary Foundation, RB High Foundation Board, Kids Count Program, and the RB Kiwanis.

2008 Craig Brown – Inducted for his outstanding leadership in RB Chamber of Commerce, Poway Center for Performing Arts, and the First President and Board Member of the Rancho Bernardo Business Association.

2009 Gary Carlson – Inducted for his leadership in Neighborhood Watch, as well as Chair leadership for the Community Foundation’s Pathway of Pride.

2009 Marty Judge – Inducted for his outstanding leadership for the RB Annual Christmas Tree and Menorah Lighting, Rancho Bernardo’s 45th Birthday Celebration, and COGG. Co-Founder of the Rancho Bernardo Business Association.

2011 Karen Rott – Inducted for her leadership on the RB Community Foundation and the RB Historical Society.