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Parks and Recreation Volunteers Honored

New Braunfels, TX – In recognition of the support New Braunfels Parks receives throughout the year from volunteers, the Parks and Recreation Department hosted the 9th annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner last night at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center.

Volunteer efforts are visible throughout our community in projects such as park cleanup, tree planting and mulching, trail building and repair, planting and weeding landscape beds and assistance at special events. In 2017, park volunteers contributed a total of 3,243 hours valued at \$74,621 in labor costs.

“The amount of time that our volunteers donate yearly is remarkable. We began tracking our volunteer efforts in 2007 - since then over 26,000 hours in volunteer time has been recorded,” said Stacey Dicke, Director of Parks and Recreation. “The department is truly privileged to have this quantity and quality of service contributed by these fine men, women and organizations.”

Last night’s event was themed “Volunteers Plant the Seeds of Kindness.” Several volunteers and organizations were recognized with awards for their contributions to the Parks and Recreation Department and community as a whole.

2017 Volunteer Service Award Winners

Gerry Layman - Frank Chapa Golf Service Award

Norma Herrera - PARD’ner Award

John Davis – Solid as a Rock

Skip Nolte - Golden Hammer Award

Henry Hahn- Seele Education Award

Mark Shellard - Sweetheart Award

Taco Palenque- Emmie Faust Award

Jeff Van Kleef - Hall of Fame Award

Paige Bird - Bud Dallmann Award

Dylan Newman- Roger Dolle Award

Andre Gibson - Teddy Roosevelt Conservation Award

New Braunfels Evening Lions Club - E.P. Nowotny Civic Organization of the Year

New Braunfels Christian Academy - Jesse Garcia Youth Volunteer Award

David Hubbard and the New Braunfels Parks Foundation - Skinner Legacy Award

Joyce Culbertson - City of a Prince Award

The Parks and Recreation Department has an array of volunteer opportunities for individuals, small groups and large organizations. For more information on the Parks and Recreation Department’s volunteer program call 830-221-4367 or visit www.nbtexas.org/volunteers.

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2017 Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Award Recipients