

2011 Business of the Year Nominee

ABEL INSURANCE - BUSINESS

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the business community in Curry County.

~ Abel Ins. Sponsored the tsunami backpack program for our schools. They volunteer time and effort in a variety of community activities.

~ Abel Ins. helps contribute both financially and man hours to many of Gold Beach's activities. They want their employees to be involved in the Gold Beach community and all the things that are happening.

2. Detail the business' employee relations, i.e. recognition programs, morale activities, benefits, etc.

~ Very positive employees who have excellent customer service qualities. A long time business serving Gold Beach.

~ Abel Ins has encouraged their employees to be very involved in GB Chamber. They also bought 150 backpacks to be filled with emergency supplies for our schools.

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ They have a paid gardener and window cleaner, both Gold Beach folks. Repaved their parking lot.

4. Explain any program or activity that the business uses to provide school or youth involvement. Include mentoring, apprenticeship, shadowing programs, etc.

~ Tsunami backpacks, Rotary dictionaries (Amy), Ellensburg Theater (Sarah)

~ Tsunami Packs. Insurance presentation at high school.

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ Abel sponsors school and community activities by purchasing uniforms for youth teams and buying advertisements in high school programs/posters.

6. Describe how the nominee has exhibited fair and honest business practices.

~ Very honest and high integrity.

PLAYA DEL SOL - BUSINESS

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the business community in Curry County.

~ Playa Del Sol supports most community events especially those that involve the youth of GB. Every year there are several teams sponsored by this business as well as you will always see Gloria at most of the school functions.

2. Detail the business' employee relations, i.e. recognition programs, morale activities, benefits, etc.

~ This is just a small family run business that is amazing. They have been here for 15+ years with the same faces. They know a majority of their customers by name & you feel right at home when you are there.

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ They do not own the building where they are located but they always have their interior decorated to the nine. When you walk in, you feel like you are in Mexico right here in Gold Beach.

4. Explain any program or activity that the business uses to provide school or youth involvement. Include mentoring, apprenticeship, shadowing programs, etc.

~ In addition to what I mentioned above, no matter what the need, Playa Del Sol will do anything to ensure the youth of this community are successful & supported.

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ Again they sponsor many athletic teams and if you ask for a donation, a majority of the time, the answer is yes.

6. Describe how the nominee has exhibited fair and honest business practices.

~ At Playa Del Sol you will always be treated like you are their one & only customer. You don't stay in business in a small town for 15+ years unless you are honest, fair and support this community.

PORT HOLE CAFÉ - BUSINESS

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the business community in Curry County.

~ The owner, Tony Antunes, and crew not only offers excellent Café food and quality service but is a huge contributor to so many fundraisers and causes in our community. They are great and consistent in all they do.

PORT HOLE CAFÉ - BUSINESS

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ The restaurant interior, located at the Cannery Building, is kept very clean, neat and decorated tastefully including the nautical décor theme.

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ I can't think of a single fundraiser that the Port Hole Café is not a part of in some way – whether it be gift certificates, monetary or hosting a fundraiser event at their restaurant (either at cost or no cost to the charity).

7. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.

~ Just in this year the Port Hole Café has been a part of, in some way, several school fundraisers, MDA telethon, Oasis Shelter Home Meet & Greet Cowboys, fishing derbies, Fourth of July festivities, County Fair – and I am certain I have missed many other contributions.

ROGUE OUTDOOR STORE - BUSINESS

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the business community in Curry County.

~ Jim has four businesses- a tackle shop in Brookings, tackle shop in Gold Beach, flower, gifts & catalog shop in Gold Beach and another tackle shop in Coos Bay; employee many.

~ Supports various fundraisers: CAF, Chamber, Rotary. Also allows cars/boats, etc. to be sold on the side lot. Let's firework stand set up in his lot.

2. Detail the business' employee relations, i.e. recognition programs, morale activities, benefits, etc.

~ The longevity of his staff speaks for him as a good employer.

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ Keeps a neat building front.

4. Explain any program or activity that the business uses to provide school or youth involvement. Include mentoring, apprenticeship, shadowing programs, etc.

~ Jim is hit up regularly to support kids, school programs and contributes generously to their causes in the form of gifts, products, services and monetarily.

~ Big supporters of the hatchery which involves youth.

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ Supports various fundraisers: CAF, Chamber, Rotary. Also allows cars/boats, etc. to be sold on the side lot. Let's firework stand set up in his lot.

~ Just had a very successful derby this summer at Lex's Landing.

7. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.

~ Jim has graciously allowed the chamber to park the raffle boat in front of his store. He sells tickets for us. That money will help pay for the chambers expenses while helping the GB businesses.

~ Rogue Outdoor consistently supports many organizations.

~ Jim Carey and staff of the Rogue Outdoor Store is my nomination for business of the year. When one walks into the store they are treated to great customer service. It feels as if you have reunited with longtime friends. Since a great portion of our economy is related to fishing, this is usually the place most visitors get their first impression of Gold Beach. For sportsmen, the local "tackle shop", is our visitor center. I have witnessed firsthand how much information from dining to lodging to other activities in the area is provided to visitors and locals alike. Besides the great customer service, Jim and his staff are very active in most every event in the city. Be it the hatchery and sea lion programs, or any chamber event, they are very willing participants. Just one look at their windows and you can find a poster of an event in town.

In regards to the chamber their store is the primary reason the chamber boat raffle is successful. If not for him allowing the boat be there on a daily basis, and having his staff sell tickets, this program may have failed regardless of the efforts of the other volunteers in the raffle.

A longtime resident and business owner and chamber member, he has always had the best interest of Gold Beach in mind. Any chamber member would be truly proud to have the Rogue Outdoor Store represent them as the 2011 Business of the Year.

2011 Citizen of the Year Nominee

RACHEL HOEFER - CITIZEN

1. List boards, committees, and/or civic organizations with which nominee is active. Describe the impact to the community created by nominee's service on these boards, committees, and/or civic organizations.
~ Gold Beach Chamber and Library boards and Rotarian.
2. List nominee's personal or professional accomplishments.
~ Rachel is involved in all aspects of Gold Beach. She spends countless hours encouraging children and adults alike to learn more about finances.
3. Describe programs or ideas initiated by the nominee for the betterment of the community.
~ Her radio show on KGBR gives current info on what is going in town. She helped bring personal finance back in our schools by coming in and teaching a class at the high school. She also goes to the elementary school weekly.
4. Describe the nominee's overall contribution to the community in terms of amounts of volunteered time, financial/materials contribution, and/or any other support.
~ Many hours.
5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee. Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.
~ She's the greatest!

BILL & CHERIE MCNAIR - CITIZEN

1. List boards, committees, and/or civic organizations with which nominee is active. Describe the impact to the community created by nominee's service on these boards, committees, and/or civic organizations.
~ Bill is on the Port of Gold Beach and Cedar Bend Golf Course boards, currently. Their past involvement in our community via boards and committees are many.
2. List nominee's personal or professional accomplishments.
~ I appreciate their generosity and kindness over the last 18 years at Jerry's Rogue Jets.
~ They have maintained a longtime historical treasure; mail jet boats. Also, they have a strong and giving business presence in Curry and Coos counties.
3. Describe programs or ideas initiated by the nominee for the betterment of the community.
~ The origination of Gold Beach Promotions came from collaboration between the McNair's and a few other businesses of the time.
4. Describe the nominee's overall contribution to the community in terms of amounts of volunteered time, financial/materials contribution, and/or any other support.
~ Helps with Gold Beach High School scholarships.
~ The McNair's contribution to this community is awesome. They generously donate many passes to ride on the jet tours and baskets from their gift shop. These donations are given to non-profit and school programs throughout Gold Beach and beyond. They have been the major sponsor of the Gold Beach Fireworks show by donating their boats, fuel and pilots (pilots donate their own time) to offer a bay cruise under the glow of the fireworks show every year and then donate ALL the proceeds to the 4th of July Fireworks show.
5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee. Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.
~ They give donations to Non-Profits, Gold Beach businesses & individual requests.

WALT SCHROEDER - CITIZEN

1. List boards, committees, and/or civic organizations with which nominee is active. Describe the impact to the community created by nominee's service on these boards, committees, and/or civic organizations.
~ Master Gardener, Rotary Club, OSU Extension, and former representative in legislature.
2. List nominee's personal or professional accomplishments.
~ Curry County Representative in Oregon Legislature. OSU Extension Agent.
3. Describe programs or ideas initiated by the nominee for the betterment of the community.
~ Master Gardens, Rotary Trail, Rogue River Trail, Writer/Historian – accomplished author.
4. Describe the nominee's overall contribution to the community in terms of amounts of volunteered time, financial/materials contribution, and/or any other support.
~ Too much to list – volunteers all the time for community events.

WALT SCHROEDER - CITIZEN

5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.

Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.

~ Walt is an icon in our community. He is a valuable asset for all of us. We have benefited by his wisdom and wit.

~ Walter G. Schroeder began working for the Extension service in 1949 as an Agriculture Agent in Coos County, after receiving his B.S. from Oregon State College. After being drafted into the armed services at the beginning of the Korean War, Schroeder spent two years stationed in Germany. After being discharged, Schroeder returned to his position at Coos County. In 1956, he returned to school to seek a graduate degree, and received an M.S. from the University of Wisconsin at Madison in 1957.

After receiving his master's degree, Schroeder returned to the Extension Service, working at the Lane County Extension office in Florence until the office closed in 1962. He was then transferred to the Extension headquarters at OSU and became an Extension Agent-at-Large, where he helped develop 4-H camps and the training of future extension agents. During this period, Schroeder was invited to Washington D.C. to advise the U.S. Department of Agricultural Extension Service concerning outdoor recreation.

In 1965, Schroeder was transferred to Washington County; in 1967, to Curry County. Schroeder frequently worked with the 4-H club and on the development of community resources in agriculture, forestry, and marine science. In 1977, Schroeder became the Curry County staff chair.

Schroeder retired and was granted Emeritus status in 1983. Today, Schroeder lives in Curry County with his wife, Sally, whom he married in 1953. Schroeder's post-retirement interests have included politics. He was elected to the State Legislature, where he held office from 1985–1993. During this period, he also began writing about Curry County and his genealogy. His published works include *Curry County Agriculture: the People and the Land: an Oregon documentary* (1998), *They Found Gold on the Beach: a History of Central Curry County: an Oregon Documentary* (1999), and *Characters, Legends and Mysteries of Curry County, Oregon* (2007).

JOHN SPICER - CITIZEN

1. List boards, committees, and/or civic organizations with which nominee is active. Describe the impact to the community created by nominee's service on these boards, committees, and/or civic organizations.

~ Mainly for his dedicated effort to help find a solution to our current county budget problems. Involvement with the budget committee and county has consumed a great deal of his time and though not a popular task, he is dedicated to finding a solution.

KEVIN SWIFT - CITIZEN

1. List boards, committees, and/or civic organizations with which nominee is active. Describe the impact to the community created by nominee's service on these boards, committees, and/or civic organizations.

~ Gold Beach Hall of Fame, Gold Beach Football Head Coach, GBHS Athletic Director.

3. Describe programs or ideas initiated by the nominee for the betterment of the community.

~ Gold Beach Football Camp. How much money & publicity has this camp, now 3 seasons, brought into the community?

4. Describe the nominee's overall contribution to the community in terms of amounts of volunteered time, financial/materials contribution, and/or any other support.

~ I think that it is about time that Gold Beach acknowledge how much time and effort, despite lack of support for many years, that Swift has put back into not only the kids of this community but to the community as a whole.

5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.

Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.

~ To build a program and went a successful one. No person, other than business owners, contribute more financially than what Swift's camps provide to the community in the form of jobs and outside money be spent in Gold Beach. With Swift thinking about retiring I think that it is about time that we simply acknowledge his success and commitment to this community.

SANDY VIEIRA - CITIZEN

1. List boards, committees, and/or civic organizations with which nominee is active. Describe the impact to the community created by nominee's service on these boards, committees, and/or civic organizations.

~ As Chamber Director it is Sandy's job to be involved with Chamber functions and community activities. Sandy always goes above and beyond what is expected of her. Naturally, she puts in many "unpaid" hours for the chamber on: the Scoop update in the paper, 4th of July Celebration, Chamber Banquet, Wine Festival, and Directory for Chamber, Boat Raffle, and Mud Races.

SANDY VIEIRA - CITIZEN

~ I can't think of one she doesn't belong to. Besides her duties as Executive Director for the Chamber, she also volunteers many long hours uncompensated for the benefit of the membership.

2. List nominee's personal or professional accomplishments.

~ Besides Chamber, Sandy does so much more. She is on the board for Ellensburg Theater Company and Urban Renewal. Sandy volunteers for: Hospice, Rotary, and Library; * there is more I'm sure that I don't know. Not only does Sandy volunteer she attends all the fundraisers. I can hardly believe she has a life. Sandy was on the committee for the recent Challenge Days for the schools. I'm sure I missed a bunch, but please know she is the best.

4. Describe the nominee's overall contribution to the community in terms of amounts of volunteered time, financial/materials contribution, and/or any other support.

~ Sandy "thinks" community 24/7! I receive emails from her with times like 2am. She sincerely loves helping her community.

~ Sandy donates 100's of hours.

~ She is an asset to the entire community. Her desire and passion for the area benefits far more than just chamber members.

2011 Non-Profit of the Year Nominee

CURRY ANADROMOUS FISHERMEN - NON-PROFIT

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the overall community in Curry County.

~ Formed in 1981 as S.T.E.P. Volunteers and changed name to C.A.F. in 1985. They are funded solely from donations with no government funding. They are responsible for the rearing and release of 75,000 salmon each year; the life blood of the Gold Beach area.

~ Fishing brings in much needed money into our county and town.

~ CAF is a volunteer organization dedicated to the preservation of the salmon on the Rogue River. They help save our fish and provide educational opportunities for children and adults.

2. Detail the organization's employee relations, i.e. recognition programs, morale activities, benefits, etc.

~ Can trace its roots back to 1877. Is 100% volunteer operated.

~ They raise money through events they put on all year long. Fishing derby, fireworks, dues, sponsors fireworks.

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ Ongoing fish raising, tours, and youth involvement.

4. Explain any program or activity that the organization uses to provide school or youth involvement. Include mentoring, apprenticeship, shadowing programs, etc.

~ Arizona Beach Fishing Day. Field trips to hatchery and more.

~ Heavily involved in STEP (Salmon and Trout Enhancement Program). They provide field trips that include children helping in the raising of fish.

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ Fishing brings in money in every section and business in GB.

6. Describe how the nominee has exhibited fair and honest practices.

~ It's CAF, reputation is excellent.

7. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.

~ CAF is an economic force in Curry County by taking care of our salmon in the Rogue. Without their support Gold Beach and surrounding areas would not be fisherman friendly. They help support jobs for our town and the financial viability of Gold Beach.

ELLENSBURG THEATER COMPANY - NON-PROFIT

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the overall community in Curry County.

~ ETC is a tax exempt 501 (c)(3) non-profit charity for the public benefit with members. ETC's mission is to enhance, promote, develop and assist in production of theater arts in central Curry for such educational and charitable purposes as will promote and foster the growth of theatrical talent and community service, in a building owned by the organization. ETC has been in existence since May 1986 and celebrated its 25th anniversary at the Membership Gala last February – a free event to our new and renewing members and benefactors to come and enjoy an evening of hors d'oeuvres, libations and entertainment. In 2006 the former Masonic Lodge became ETC's home, renamed The Rogue Playhouse. We now bring year-round productions to the community providing entertainment and cultural events for locals and tourists.

2. Detail the organization's employee relations, i.e. recognition programs, morale activities, benefits, etc.

~ AS an all volunteer organization, they strive to develop human resources in positions of actors, directors, tech people, set design, box office and Board positions, etc. With a minimum of 4 productions & Gala each year, each play involving a solid 3-month effort, this is a huge year-round undertaking with local participants working as diligently as they do at their careers nearby. They honored 25 years of past presidents at last February's 25th anniversary Gala. Actor's bios are featured in each play's programs. Closing night cast parties celebrate cast and crew's hard work mounting each production. The upcoming Gala will include the First Annual Golda Awards for best actor, actress, supporting, director, set design and best play. Their weekly newspaper column keeps the public updated on all happenings with Theater. Production costs help the local economy as they believe in shopping locally. Local businesses and their customers are our members, benefactors and patrons.

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ "Pride of Ownership" is a fact of life now since the Masons deeded ETC the building July 2009 so ETC could pursue grants to upgrade the premises. Their Save-A-Seat fundraiser refurbished donated seating from the court house remodel early on. Donors name plaques are on each of the chair arms. The Adopt-A-Foot fundraiser (with donor plaques displayed on ramp) along with a grant from the Coquille Tribal Community Fund and the Oregon Community Foundation allowed completion November 2010 of a new emergency fire exit, disability ramp and double front entrance door where none had been before. They continue to enhance their building; they have started residing the exterior walls.

4. Explain any program or activity that the organization uses to provide school or youth involvement. Include mentoring, apprenticeship, shadowing programs, etc.

~ Their summer children's musical "Wizard of Oz" broke records in ticket sales and attendance. A cast of 30 allowed many children the opportunity to have fun and learn how to sing and dance and perform over 3 weekends to packed houses. Last year a high school senior's graduation project was the mounting of "Schoolgirl Figure", which she directed as well as played the starring role in. Another student directed a double feature radio show that summer. Directing is a monumental task, and these students were given astounding leeway for their young age. The future of Theater is in our nurtured youth.

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ ETC offers GBHS graduating seniors pursuing the art scholarships in the amount of \$300 and \$200. The application, essay and interview process guides them in selecting the most dedicated applicants.

6. Describe how the nominee has exhibited fair and honest practices.

~ Auditions for every play insure everyone desiring a part in a play has an equal chance to be chosen. Plays are not pre-cast, but rather encourage everyone in the community to come and join in the fun and fulfilling learning process.

OASIS SHELTER HOME - NON-PROFIT

1. Describe how the nominee positively contributes to the quality of, and is committed to, the overall community in Curry County.

~ See all progress and programs listed below.

2. Detail the organization's employee relations, i.e. recognition programs, morale activities, benefits, etc.

~ Recently increased staffing to 3 full time people, including a family advocate. They have added a children's support group. They recently implemented a number of hiring guidelines, due to a recent situation.

3. Describe building improvements or maintenance projects which enhance visual appeal and contribute to community appearance.

~ Very soon Oasis will open a new outreach/administrations office. The location is not hidden. This will allow working openly with rehabilitation and help for victims.

4. Explain any program or activity that the organization uses to provide school or youth involvement. Include mentoring, apprenticeship, shadowing programs, etc.

~ They have begun a successful school program in 3 local high schools. This program will help educate young people of "cycle of domestic violence".

5. Provide information on any sponsorship(s) or other financial (direct or indirect) support of community projects or activities.

~ Additions to Oasis programs: Peer Support group and serving as co-founder of the Homeless Coalition and facilitator for the Brookings-Harbor Homeless Project. Recently held "women only" self-defense training and plans to do another this spring.

6. Describe how the nominee has exhibited fair and honest practices.

~ When a staff member was discovered acting unprofessionally with a client, they immediately dismissed the person. New hiring procedures were put in place.

OASIS SHELTER HOME - NON-PROFIT

7. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.
~ Oasis Shelter has recently been target of some negative comments, while unfounded, has had a detrimental impact on their resources. They are launching a pro-active public relations program to let others know about the good work Oasis Shelter Home is doing and why their services are so desperately needed.

2011 Volunteer of the Year Nominee

SARAH DAVIS - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Ellensburg Theater Company; Chamber; Bethany Lutheran; Purely Voice
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ Tons of hours
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ Her love for our community and area really shines by how much time and energy she gives. She gives a great deal to many groups and folks here but in particular, her enjoyment in theater is where her passion and 'elbow grease' really comes in. She has volunteered so many hours in co-directing plays at ETC the last few years that has strengthen our local theater's character and interest within our communities' citizens. She also graces us with her beautiful voice in the acapella group Purely Voice – amazing. Purely Voice donates any proceeds they receive to school programs and other fundraising causes.
4. Detail programs or ideas initiated by the volunteer that benefit the community or group.
~ Several plays at ETC including Wizard of Oz and Christmas Musical (co-directed along with Anne Tlaker).

DAVID HOENIE - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Wild River Coast member, Chamber board member, Friends of Fair member and fixed lighting on bridge for years.
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ Wild Rivers Coast – 20 hours/month; Chamber – 10 hours/month; Friends of Fair – 20+ hours/month.
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ David will do whatever is needed to help GB prosper. Although he recently needed to resign from some boards, he is still active in the community.
5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.
Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.
~ David most likely received this award in the past, but I still feel he deserves recognition again.

LESLIE KEATING - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Soroptimists helps with glass ball program, Curry Health Foundations, and previously with Curry Fair Court, Brew fest and Chamber.
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ 5-10 hours a week.
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ Leslie is a good business woman who gives extensively to the community.
4. Detail programs or ideas initiated by the volunteer that benefit the community or group.
~ I don't know of any she initiated, but she is always willing to help.

LESLIE KEATING - VOLUNTEER

5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.
Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.
~ Positive addition to any community endeavor.

KAREN & FRED NOTESTINE - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Curry Coastal Health
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ 1,000 hours
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ Takes neighbors to doctor appointments, cleans homes of neighbors, donates knitted items to causes; Fred helps in the trailer park with landscaping, mowing neighbors lawns, helping out all he can.

AMY TIMEUS - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Every school event including the tax levy drive for school district; Rotary; Chamber.
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ Tons of hours
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ OMG! Amy volunteers for everything and she's so nice about it as well.
4. Detail programs or ideas initiated by the volunteer that benefit the community or group.
~ When Jeff Davis needs something, he always calls on Amy first.

ANNE TLAKER - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Ellensburg Theater – director/actor/committee member; Soroptimist – board member; Ford Leadership Foundation; Oasis Shelter – Counseling; NWCAT – NW co-liaison against trafficking.
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ Lots
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ Anne brings so much to whatever she is involved in. She is very creative and is able to see her ideas through. If she has a task to do she takes ownership and makes it better than you could have thought possible. She has a sense of responsibility toward Gold Beach that takes her above and beyond anything that is just required of her.
4. Detail programs or ideas initiated by the volunteer that benefit the community or group.
~ "Wizard of Oz" Soroptimist programs all year, Ellensburg Theater Productions all year.

CHRIS & GARY UNDERHILL - VOLUNTEER

1. List group(s), organizations(s), and/or activities with which volunteer nominee is active.
~ Gary and Chris are the most dedicated volunteers at Indian Creek Hatchery. Without their involvement operation would be crippled.
2. List numbers of hours (approximately) donated to each group, organization, or activity that nominee has contributed in the year 2011.
~ Both can be counted on to serve at least 25-30 hours each week at the hatchery or working behind the scenes.
3. Describe the overall benefit to the community and/or group of the volunteer's activity. Please describe the skills and abilities used to perform these services.
~ Anyone who has ever worked at any event at the hatchery would testify that without Chris or Gary hatchery operations would greatly suffer.

CHRIS & GARY UNDERHILL - VOLUNTEER

4. Detail programs or ideas initiated by the volunteer that benefit the community or group.

~ Gary serves as hatchery VP and Chris is the volunteer coordinator.

5. Please provide any additional information that the selection committee should know about the nominee.

Also attach any letters of recommendation or other third party information that the selection committee might consider.

~ The selection of these two as Volunteers of the Year could not go to a more deserving couple.