## **GRANTS PASS KIWANIS AWARDS**

**Oliver Oaks Award** - The **Oliver Oaks Award** was begun in 1992 to recognize the Grants Pass Kiwanian who most embodied the Kiwanis devotion and ethic of Oliver Oakes. It is in effect, the **Kiwanian of the Year**.

- 1992 Don Moir
- 1993 Dick Hall
- 1994 Allan Coon
- 1995 John Moir
- 1996 Mike Becker
- 1997 Bill Rossknecht
- 1998 Charlie Didato
- 1999 Ken Hickenbottom
- 2000 Judie Drummond
- 2001 Jim Dole
- 2002 Rene Pare
- 2003 Toni Pyatt
- 2004 Charlie Didato
- 2005 Lee Spargo
- 2006 Bill Rossknecht
- 2007 Doug Richardson
- 2008 Al Paulsen
- 2009 Dick Fowler
- 2010 Larry McCurry
- 2011 Melinda Matson
- 2012 Beth Harden
- 2013 Liz McKinney
- 2014 Dick Fowler
- 2015 Beth Harden
- 2016 Melinda Matson
- 2017 Beth Harden
- 2018 Kaylynne Grant
- 2019 Joanne Pont
- 2020 Lonnie Johnson 2021 - Joanne Pont
- 2022 Dan Horwitz
- 2023 Curt Rossknecht
- 2024 Frank Boothby
- 2025 Quin Collins

## The Dick Hall Youth Service Award

Dick Hall was a long-time member of Kiwanis and truly understood the meaning of community service. As many of you are aware, he was the consummate Oregon Ducks fan. When Dick learned of College Dreams and our mission to get middle school students excited about staying in school and attending college, Dick went the extra mile. He called me and said he would be willing to get tickets to a Ducks football game for all 33 of our College Dreamers and chaperon. Many may not know that he made this happen out of the kindness and generosity in his heart. That was the first time these students were on a college campus and I believe that Dick would be enormously pleased to know that of the high school graduating class of 2005, 5 students have received a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Oregon, 14 have received a Bachelor's Degree from other state schools, one U of O grad has stayed on for his Masters Degree and one has just been admitted to OHSU Medical School.

I've often wondered if through Dick's generosity it helped to light a passion for education in a group of middle school students. The Dick Hall Youth Service Award was created in 2001 to honor Dick's memory and to recognize a College Dreamer with a passion for volunteer service. We believe that if we teach our young students and get them involved in Community Service, they will take that lesson into the future and continue this work through various service clubs and organizations. To be eligible for a scholarship award at the end of the school year, Dreamers are required to attend school regularly, obtain good grades, participate in healthy youth activities and community service.

## Judie Drummond

## **Dick Hall Youth Service Award Past Recipients**

- 2001 Sunflower Ortiz, South Middle School
- 2002 Renee Brown, Fleming Middle School
- 2003 Lacey Price, South Middle School
- 2004 Joe Webb, South Middle School
- 2005 Amber Dougherty, South Middle School
- 2006 Vanessa Verrett, North Middle School
- 2007 Brentie Jones, Grants Pass High School
- 2008 Carys Layton, North Valley High School
- 2009 Rachel Sheets, North Valley High School
- 2010 Sarah Calver, Hidden Valley High School
- 2011 Gabrielle Delgado, Hidden Valley High School
- 2012 Taylor Prulhiere, Grants Pass High School
- 2013 Raul Gonzales, Grants Pass High School
- 2014 Laura Chavez-Acosta, Grants Pass High School
- 2015 Danielle Cain, Illinois Valley High School
- 2016 Piedad "Pily" Gonzalez-Diez, GPHS
- 2017 Jessica Phung
- 2018 Tori Cook
- 2019 Kourtney Azevedo
- 2020 George Morris
- 2021 Donald Rogers
- 2022 -
- 2023 Khiara Thomas
- 2024 Camile Noriega
- 2025 Chevenne Martin