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Parks and Recreation Volunteers Honored

New Braunfels, TX – In recognition of the support New Braunfels Parks and Recreation receives throughout the year from volunteers, the Department hosted the eighth 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 2016, park volunteers have contributed a total of 3,042 hours valued at \$70,152.

“The amount of time that our volunteers donate yearly is remarkable. We began tracking our volunteer efforts in 2007, since then over 23,000 hours in volunteer time has been given.” 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 Give from the Heart.” Several volunteers and organizations were recognized with awards for their contributions to the department and community as a whole.

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

2016 Volunteer Service Award Winners

Oscar Trujillo - Frank Chapa Golf Service Award
Rich Nielson- Sylvan Award
Jessie Slaten - PARD’ner Award
Friends for the Preservation of Historic Landa Park- Seele Education Award
Jane Felts Mauldin - Golden Hammer Award
Mary Helen Phillips - Plant a Seed Award
Ben Pitcher - Roger Dolle Award
Brayden Pitcher- Roger Dolle Award
Justin Moore with Airborne Aerial Photography – Compass Award
Barron Schlameus - Solid as a Rock Award
Arina Degtyareva - Sweetheart Award
Karen Boyd - Park Heritage Award
World Car Kia New Braunfels- Emmie Faust Award

Herb Caldwell - Hall of Fame Award

Luke Conder - Bud Dallmann Award

Deedy Wright NPSOT - Teddy Roosevelt Conservation Award

New Braunfels Cemetery Committee - E.P. Nowotny Civic Organization of the Year

Graham Clumpner - Jesse Garcia Youth Volunteer Award

Audrea Gibson and the Landa Park 80th Anniversary Gala Planning Committee - Skinner Legacy Award

Nancy Pappas - City of a Prince Award

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Optional photo attached - Pictured are the 2016 New Braunfels Parks and Recreation Volunteer Service Award winners with Mayor Pro Tem Wayne Peters and Councilmembers Ron Reaves and Justin Meadows.