

National Philanthropy Day Orange County 2010 Raises \$70,000

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ORANGE COUNTY, CA – 925 philanthropy supporters attended the 25th Anniversary National Philanthropy Day (NPD) Orange County luncheon celebration Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at the Anaheim Marriot Hotel ballroom from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

NPD Orange County has become the most prominent philanthropic recognition event in Orange County, with more than a thousand individuals, businesses and support organizations honored since its inception in 1986.

Local charity groups and nonprofit organizations submitted more than 100 entries for Outstanding Honorees. A panel of 25 community leaders selected the Outstanding Honorees to represent their peers and receive the top awards in the annual and special categories in the form a crystal-shaped obelisk.

Heading the list of Outstanding Honorees this year were Donald Bren, recipient of the Donald Bren Legacy of Giving Award, and Marion Knott, recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award.

NPD is sponsored by the Orange County Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and presented by the Orange County Register. For more information, visit www.npdoc.org or contact Kathy Ruvolo, event co-chair, at 949-824-3303, Cathy Michaels, event co-chair, at 714-560-0900 or Jess Block, publicist, at 909-706-8525.

2010 HONOREES

DONALD BREN LEGACY OF GIVING AWARD

Donald Bren, Newport Beach

Supreme philanthropic generosity including donations of 1.3 billion and 93,000 acres

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Marion Knott, Newport Beach

Millions donated to Orange County arts, science and healthcare

OUTSTANDING FOUNDER

Jerri Rosen, Irvine

Founder of Working Wardrobes

OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPIST

Phil and Mary Lyons, Newport Beach

Financial support, extraordinary leadership and countless volunteer hours to many OC arts programs

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER FUNDRAISER

Henry L. Jones, Fullerton

Raising funds for cancer services, healthcare for the underserved and feeding the hungry in Orange County

OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPIC GROUP

AccessOC, Laguna Hills

Providing free surgeries to Orange County's underinsured or uninsured

OUTSTANDING YOUTH

Megan Mahdi, Laguna Niguel

Founder of an annual event and raising over \$86,000 to benefit children in need

OUTSTANDING CORPORATION OR BUSINESS (MORE THAN 30 EMPLOYEES)

Golden State Foods, Irvine

Raising \$13 million for over 250 children's charities and donating \$6.4 to charitable causes

OUTSTANDING CORPORATION OR BUSINESS (FEWER THAN 30 EMPLOYEES)

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, San Juan Capistrano

Company-wide support of over 1M to Habitat for Humanity of Orange County

About National Philanthropy Day: NPD honors those who have demonstrated philanthropy and enhanced their communities and the world. Each year more than 100 Association of Fundraising Professionals chapters throughout the US and Canada honor the philanthropic efforts of individuals, businesses, and groups. Net proceeds of the event support the ethical advancement of philanthropy in the community by the Orange County Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.