

Hon Kachina winners announced

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A group of elite volunteers will be honored by the community this fall as part of the 33rd annual Hon Kachina Volunteer Awards. The program recognizes the achievements of Arizonans who devote their skills and energy to volunteerism.

"There are many people that give back to the community, but there are a select few that go above and beyond," said Richard Rodney, president of the Hon Kachina board of directors.

More than 70 people were nominated this year. Since the program's debut in 1977, more than 300 have been recognized.

This year's recipients:

- **Audrey Alderson:** Founder of Audrey's Angels, a nonprofit organization that visits people living in group homes and hosts arts, crafts and music activities.

- **Kenny Brunk:** Founder of Andrea's Closet, a toy program for hospitalized children. The program donates new toys to 17 hospitals throughout Arizona.

- **Fatimah Halim:** The founder of Life Paradigms, a group that aids women and children, has spent more than two decades helping others.

- **Barbara Kavanagh:** Founder of the Arizona Myeloma Network, a group that advocates for those with multiple myeloma, a form of cancer in the bone marrow.

- **Kaye McCarthy:** Founder of Arizonans for Children, an organization that provides homelike locations for children



Alderson



Brunk



Halim



Kavanagh



McCarthy



Olson



Sloan



Stinard



Shapiro

in protective custody to have supervised visitations.

- **Janet Olson:** Founder of Arizonans for the Protection of Exploited Children and Adults, which provides support services for teens recovering from self-injury and abuse.

- **Kim Sloan:** A community volunteer who devotes time and effort to supporting those in the military and their families. She is secretary of the Department of Arizona Ladies Auxiliary VFW and chairwoman of the Auxiliary 10188 Veterans and Family Support Committee.

- **Sharon Stinard:** Founder of the Community Alliance Against Family Abuse, a group that provides shelter and services for abused women and their children.

- **Dr. Joan Shapiro:** Has developed programs aimed at offering youth opportunities for scientific research, as well as in-school presentations that show the impact of drugs on the brain's circuitry.

EVENT FACTS

WHAT: 33rd annual Hon Kachina Volunteer Awards

WHEN: 6:30 p.m. Sept. 26

WHERE: Camelback Inn, a JW Marriott Resort and Spa, 5402 E. Lincoln Drive, Scottsdale

COST: \$175 per person, \$1,800 for a table of eight

WEB: www.honkachina.org