

PPCC Golden Sparkplug Awardee Accomplishments – 2001-2014*

- 2001 *Ted Mackie* – designing/maintaining PPCC’s first website; *Bob Sharka* – founding/running the Palisades Film Festival at Pierson Playhouse.
- 2002 *Diane Wolfberg* – creating/maintaining Zero Air Pollution website (ZAC/anti-gas leaf blowers); *Neil Selman* – founding the community-wide “Shared Values Week.”
- 2003 *Larry Jacobs* – advocating against abuses of City filming permits (*believed accomplishment*); *Carole Kenney* – planting trees/ beautifying the community; *Nelson Clay Willis* – spearheading effort for Proposition K improvements at Rustic Canyon Recreation Center (*believed accomplishment*).
- 2004 *Bob Jeffers* – fundraising/landscaping median strips on Sunset & Chautauqua; *Roger Wood* – redesigning/renovating the Village Green’s decorative fountain.
- 2005 *Jim Blumel* – landscaping Pali Elementary.
- 2006 *Marie Steckmest* – launching Palisades “Volunteer Week”; *Steve Lantz* – saving Commuter Express Bus 430; *John Wirth* – creating the “Movies in the Park” series; *Deborah Hafford* – founding/organizing the July 4th YMCA Youth Triathlon.
- 2007 *Lisa Taylor* – battling graffiti in stairwell near Pali Elementary between Methodist Church & Haverford; *John Grosse* – improving traffic flow/increasing safety in streets around Marquez Elementary.
- 2008 *Amy Madnick* – initiating/directing the Palisades branch of the Cancer Society’s “Relay for Life”; *David Card* – landscaping the Temescal-PCH pump station area/chairing the PCCAC recreation subcommittee.
- 2009 *Ilene Cassidy* – founding “Friends of the Temescal Pool”; *Dick Littlestone* – spurring landscaping of derelict median at intersection of Alma Real & Ocampo.
- 2010 *Eric Bollens* – initiating/promoting safe driving programs for community youth & adults; *Marge Gold* – mobilizing Village Green maintenance by Pali youth; *Linda Jackson* – bringing opera to the Palisades with the LA Metropolitan Opera Company.
- 2011 *Barbara Marinacci* – restoring the native plant garden on Temescal Canyon Rd.; *Keith Turner* – organizing the 4th of July pre-fireworks live music concert.
- 2012 *Kelly Comras* – beautifying landscaping at Fire Station 23 & Castle Rock Beach; *Sam Lagana* – compelling the City to reopen malfunctioning storm drains in hillside areas; *Colleen McAndrews* – saving an adjacent lot & preserving the view of the historic Marquez family cemetery in Santa Monica Canyon.
- 2013 *Susan McInerney* – conceiving/organizing the Pali Recreation Center “Spooktacular” & chairing the Center’s “Eggstravaganza”; *Leslie Pereira* – founding the Palisades Spelling Bee; *Bruce Schwartz* – spearheading the “Safety on Sunset” campaign.
- 2014 *Susan Corwin* – founding/serving as parent advisor of “Vista Inspired Teens” in the Palisades; *Bob Harter* – chairing Pali Recreation Center’s Master Plan Committee & initiating a Work in Progress Report to serve as a guide to the project in coming years.

* **Note:** PPCC minutes are unavailable prior to 2001 (info. about earlier Sparkplug accomplishments is not readily available.) Selection cmtee membership (2001-2014) can be found in PPCC’s online minutes (March each year).