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NWPPA Honors 2019's Annual Award Winners

VANCOUVER, WA. – Last week at its 79th Annual Conference and Membership Meeting in Sacramento, Calif., the Northwest Public Power Association presented the following awards to individuals within the public power community.

Life Member Awards

Ed Jenkins (center) joined the Tillamook PUD Board of Directors in 1989 and served as board president six times. He was very active during his time as a director on the Tillamook PUD Board, focusing on every aspect within the electric utility industry and engaging in several associated organizations.

John Roukema (center) has spent 41 years in the electric industry, with 38 of those years at Silicon Valley Power. He spent 35 years of his career as a part of the utility's management team, being promoted to assistant director in 1986 and then to director of the utility in 2007. His title changed to chief electric utility officer in 2018.

Paul J. Raver Community Service Awards

SMUD has spent more than 70 years giving back to its customers in many ways, working to make life better for all who live, work, and play in the Sacramento community. SMUD keeps its customers and community at the heart of all they do. SMUD CEO **Arlen Orchard** (right) accepted the award on SMUD's behalf.

Terry Brewer (center) arrived in Central Washington in 1997 to assume leadership of the Grant County EDC and quickly forged a close partnership with Grant PUD. In 2006, he was elected to the Grant County PUD Commission and served two six-year terms before concluding his service in December 2018.

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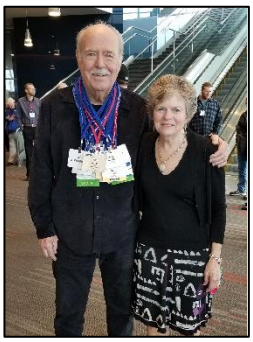
William "Bill" McCorie Distinguished Service Award

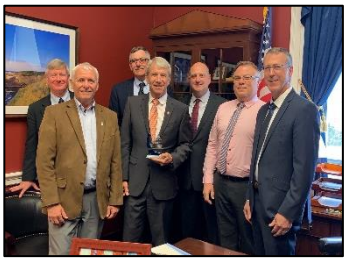
Anita Decker (ret.) served as NWPPA's executive director for five of the 39 years she spent in the utility industry. Under Decker, NWPPA experienced an expansion in membership. She also worked tirelessly on defending and promoting public power to the membership on both the federal, legislative, and regional levels.

NWPPA President's Award



Nard Smith (ret.) was NWPPA's main point of contact with GES, the decorating contractor for the annual Engineering & Operations Trade Show, for almost 40 years. He always went above and beyond to make sure that NWPPA, its onsite staff, and the vendors had everything they needed. While Nard was working the trade show floor, his wife **Carol** was a tireless volunteer at the registration desk.

Homer T. Bone Award



Oregon Rep. **Kurt Schrader** (center) has demonstrated his strong support over many years for a wide variety of issues important to consumer-owned electric utilities. He has been forward thinking in introducing and signing onto legislation beneficial to public power, and has made himself available to hear issues of importance to public power.

Congratulations to this year's award winners. Their work on behalf of the membership and the industry is greatly appreciated!

About NWPPA: NWPPA is an international association representing and serving more than 150 customer-owned, locally controlled utilities in the Western U.S. and Canada. The Association also serves over 300 associate members across the U.S. and Canada who are allied with the electric utility industry. For more information, visit www.nwppa.org, www.facebook.com/NWPPAssoc, or www.Twitter.com/NWPPAssoc.