

Alice Tulley

Alice is truly a volunteer treasure to the Oak Park Conservatory. Over the last ten years she has worn many hats and worn them well. She started as a regular volunteer eventually joining the Board of the Friends of the Oak Park Conservatory. While on the Board, she edited the Friends newsletter and for one year ran the Herb Sale. She continues to work on researching the botanical names for the herb catalog and orders seeds and plants each year for this event. Alice wrote the first docent training manual and has subsequently trained docents and given many tours to school children over the years. We sincerely appreciate Alice's efforts and her generous gift of time to the Oak Park Conservatory.



PARK DISTRICT OF OAK PARK

2003 Community Service Awards

“We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.”

-Winston Churchill

Quality Recreation Opportunities in Our Community



The Illinois Association of Park Districts and the Illinois Park and Recreation Association annually present Community Service Awards to individuals and organizations in recognition and appreciation of outstanding contribution and unselfish devotion for the advancement of parks, recreation and leisure in the community and the State of Illinois. The Park District of Oak Park would like to thank and congratulate this year's recipients:

- *Jim Boushay*
- *Richard S. Nied*
- *Joan Peters*
- *Rickey Sain, Sr.*
- *Alice Tulley*

Mr. Richard S. Nied has provided support for the Park District of Oak Park for the last 16 years as the Course Security Coordinator for the Frank Lloyd Wright Races.

Since 1986, Mr. Nied has assigned up to one hundred volunteers on the race course in order to provide safety for runners and walkers during this annual event.

Mr. Nied is diligent in his duties as a Volunteer Course Security Coordinator. He drives the course before, during and after the run to provide support to the volunteers, greeting them and thanking them for their early morning commitments and support of the annual run. He ensures volunteers receive their shirts, hats, gloves, and complimentary refreshments. This award recipient has gone above and beyond his duty as a volunteer and provided aid to runners when in need. We have a perfect safety record on the course mainly due to his strategies for assigning the right volunteer to the right corner. Mr. Richard S. Nied truly deserves the honor bestowed upon him today as a lifetime citizen of Oak Park and a dedicated Park District volunteer.

Jim Boushay and Rickey Sain, Sr. have been nominated for the 2003 Community Service Award by former Park Board member Karen Garbe for their work on behalf of the Resources Unlimited Foundation. This organization strives to create and facilitate programs and projects in grassroots democracy, civic engagements and community involvement. Jim and Rickey have been hosts of the moveable community pot-luck food festival held here in Oak Park annually on the Sunday before Labor Day. Open to the public, this potluck feast is a celebration of foods and culture attracting over 3,500 participants including attendees, volunteers, sponsors, and financial supporters since its inception in 1995. We thank Jim and Rickey for their efforts in building a sense of community here in Oak Park.

Joan Peters has been a faithful volunteer at the Oak Park Conservatory every Monday morning for over 15 years. With a cheery smile not to mention her delicious homemade scones, Joan has shared her expertise in plant grooming. She has spent numerous hours taking cuttings as well as transplanting seedlings which has helped the Conservatory expand its plantings program over the years. It is the dedication and help from volunteers like Joan that have enabled the Oak Park Conservatory to not only survive but thrive in Oak Park as a true community treasure.