

National Philanthropy Day 2007

Awards Luncheon

Change the World with a Giving Heart

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William K. Bowes, Jr. To Be Named San Francisco Bay Area's Outstanding Philanthropist

San Francisco, CA. – September 21, 2007. The Association of Fundraising Professionals Golden Gate Chapter (AFP-GGC) and Northern California Grantmakers (NCG) will name William K. Bowes, Jr. as the area's top philanthropist at its annual National Philanthropy Day® (NPD) luncheon on Nov. 15 at the Oakland Marriott City Center. For more information please visit our website at www.afp-ggc.org/npd or call 916-608-8686.

The AFP-GGC and NCG will host their annual award luncheon to celebrate and honor those institutions and individuals whose work in their communities improves and enriches the Bay Area community. National Philanthropy Day will present nine prestigious awards to individuals and organizations during the lunchtime program.

Past awardees for Distinguished Achievement include Diane B. Wilsey and Harry S. Parker III, Chong Moon Lee, Johnson S. Boart and Judith F. Wilbur, Marjorie G. Stern, and Steve Silver, The Reverend Cecil Williams, Cyril Magnin, and James W. Graves. Last year, Richard Goldman received a Lifetime Achievement Award at the National Philanthropy Day Luncheon.

This year, National Philanthropy Day's emcee is Gasia Mikaelian from KTVU Channel 2 News. In addition, National Philanthropy Day is partnering with the Alameda County Community Food Bank to collect donations of canned and other non-perishable foods in unopened containers at the event. Guests and community members are encouraged to donate items at the event.

"We're so grateful to National Philanthropy Day for partnering with us to deliver food to the thousands of children and families we serve in our communities. The need is so great during the holidays and the generosity of the Bay Area organizations is so appreciated," said Barbara Darrow-Blake, Director of Development at the Alameda County Community Food Bank.

The awards luncheon recognizes the following individuals and organizations that improve the quality of life in the Bay Area.

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2007 National Philanthropy Day Honorees

Outstanding Foundation Professional

Woody Carter

Hank Rosso Outstanding Fundraising Professional

Mary M. Schmidt

Outstanding Philanthropist

William K. Bowes, Jr.

Outstanding Corporate Grantmaker

Sports Basement

Outstanding Foundation/Community Grantmaker

The California Endowment

Outstanding Fundraising Volunteer

Phillip H. Tagami

Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy Award

Deeba Haider

The Vineyards Award

Children's Book Project

Distinguished Achievement Award

Jeannik Mequét Littlefield

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The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) represents 27,000 fundraisers in more than 180 chapters throughout the world, working to advance philanthropy through advocacy, research, education, and certification programs. The AFP-Golden Gate Chapter, founded in 1971, is a 501(c)(3) organization which champions diversity and enjoys a high level of volunteer participation. Through professional support, education and development opportunities for Bay Area fundraising professionals, the Golden Gate Chapter works to make the Bay Area nonprofit community stronger and more able to support vital human needs, advance learning, lift the human spirit, preserve the environment, and build healthy communities. For more information, visit www.afp-ggc.org.

Northern California Grantmakers (NCG) is an association of foundations, corporate contributions programs and other public and private grantmakers. Building on an initiative started in 1965 to exchange ideas, improve cooperation among foundations, and increase their knowledge of community problems, NCG has now grown to support the activity of approximately 160 member grantmakers active in the Bay Area, with combined grantmaking of more than \$1 billion annually. For more information, visit www.ncg.org.

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