

Volunteer of the year 2018

The Volunteer of the Year award traditionally is given to an individual who exhibits excellence in volunteerism throughout the community. Our honoree epitomizes this quality.

She had an impressive career in banking and mortgage lending for over twenty years, but her record of volunteerism tells us her heart was in the non-profit world. Here are a few highlights of her volunteer activity over the years:

Gaslight Theatre – She’s been a board member, president, actor, director, and fund-raiser. She has served for 25 years and continues to be active at the Gaslight.

CDSA – served two terms on the board and has served as president

Enid Arts Council – board member, volunteer, fund-raiser (20+ years of service)

Autry Technology Center Board member (served as president in 2017)

Enid Noon Ambucs – Tour de Trikes, ABC Park clean-up and toy build

St. Mathews Episcopal Church – substitute organist

Chautauqua in the Park – she’s been a board member and volunteer

Main Street Enid – volunteer and past board member

Served on the City of Enid Parks Board

United Way of Enid – served as a loaned exec, ongoing volunteer since 1985

Friends of Government Springs – volunteer service

Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center – helps with Lantern Tours & Christmas in the Village

Paws for a Cause – volunteer

Candy Cane Cash – helped with the drawings for 14 years

She's also been in costume for Mother Goose innumerable times.

Our honoree goes about her volunteer activities quietly and under the radar. She's not looking for recognition – only service and helping people. By the way, for the last 12 years she has served as the Executive Director of Hedges Regional Speech & Hearing Center – another non-profit.

As I started out saying, her record of service makes it clear that her heart is in the non-profit world.

It also makes it clear that she is a most deserving Volunteer of the Year.

Please help me recognize Carmen Ball.