



# VOLUNTEERS GROW OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

## Volunteer of the Year Nominees

**Mary Buhr** capped a caffeinated chapter as owner of the beloved Coffee Eclectic in January, but turned a new page as a dedicated, thoughtful, and level-headed leader of the Caring Corcoran Neighbors.

**Kathie Carlson** wore holes in her shoes in '06 as the tireless leader of the neighborhood walking patrol. A member of the Caring Corcoran Neighbors, Kathie was also involved in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Precinct Advisory Council.

**Tom Carpenter** continues to coach basketball, baseball, and football at Corcoran Park. Even when practice is over, Tom is often at the Park recruiting kids, teasing the staff, or talking about the last big game.

**Heather Grazzini** joined the Events' Committee this summer, and helped create the Corcoran Book Sale, and Volunteer Recognition Dinner. Heather has been a consistent and generous contributor on the Events' Committee.

**Julia Haltiwanger** likes bicycling and local businesses and farmers' markets and meeting neighbors. To celebrate these interrelated favorites, Julia planned a neighborhood bike tour worth repeating. Watch for it!

**Elise Kylo** created the most visible impact on our neighborhood this year, by designing and leading efforts to paint a delightful mural at 34<sup>th</sup> and Cedar. Elise recruited 40 helpful painters and 40 more neighbors to help celebrate.

**Eric Lindberg** puts compassion into action with Restorative Justice. Eric has served on panels, recruited new volunteers and trained them, attended RJ conferences and helped set policy. Eric has also served on the CNO board.

**Walt McFadden** coaches basketball, baseball, and football at Corcoran Park. Walt also donates school supplies in the fall, and helps organize the Egg Hunt in the spring and Secret Santa in the winter.

**Bob Milner** fosters 'neighborliness' as a passionate advocate of National Night Out, an articulate leader for the Caring Corcoran Neighbors, and an active volunteer both locally and globally.

**Anne Parshall** has been called Corcoran Park's 'T-ball Coach Extraordinaire.' Dedicated and caring, Anne strives to make the game fun for everyone, including the parents.

**Carlos Quezada** was a positive role model for countless kids as a soccer coach and community leader. A former organizer for Latinos En Acción, Carlos now works with youth in efforts to rid our community of gangs.

**Jim Walsh** showed "dogged determination to rid 34th and Cedar of drug dealers" this year, according to fellow block leader Sue Hensel. Jim's energy helped revitalize his block club and strengthen connections with police.

## Midtown Farmer's Market Volunteer Award

**Brian Huseby** awoke before the sun rose on many Saturdays to help set up the market. Dependable and jovial, Brian flyer'd every house in the Seward Neighborhood in 2006 and served on the Market Advisory Committee as the Seward Representative. Considering over 200 hours of volunteer service in 2006 alone, the market cannot overestimate Brian's commitment.

## Dorothy LaDue Lifetime Volunteer Award

**Nathan Shaw** defines community involvement. As a long-time Corcoran resident, Nathan and his family stepped up at every turn. His dedication to our community manifested itself in speed tables in front of the park, involvement on the CNO board, the creation of the Midtown Revival Plan, and a unique office table still in use at CNO's office. Nathan also shared his talents in the Corcoran News and added beauty to our community through artful renovation of two homes on 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. Nathan actively lives out his vision for the world, embodying the words of Gandhi: "be the change that you want to see in the world."

