



# CITY of BEAVERTON

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## 2010 SERVICE TO BEAVERTON AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED

***- Bruce Dalrymple, Greenway NAC Chair Jim Persey, GFWC-Beaverton Women's Club, Beaverton Family Chiropractic, Dennis Williams and Eudora Erickson to be Recognized –***

**BEAVERTON, Oregon (July 13, 2010)** – The City of Beaverton and the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce are pleased to announce the winners of the 2010 Service to Beaverton Award. The awards will be presented at a special Service to Beaverton luncheon sponsored by the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce and Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District at the Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus Event Center on **Tuesday, July 27 from 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** The public is invited to attend and honor the contributions of the award recipients. Tickets are \$24 and may be purchased through the Chamber's Web site at [www.beaverton.org](http://www.beaverton.org). The winners of this year's award will also receive a "celebrity" ride in Beaverton's Celebration Parade in September.

The **Service to Beaverton Award** recognizes individuals and organizations in the Beaverton area that deliver outstanding projects and/or services, enrich and revitalize our community and neighborhoods, and demonstrate responsiveness, creativity and civic values. This year, two new categories were added – Educator of the Year and Emerging Leader (18 and under).

"Many people and organizations in Beaverton contribute so much to our community and this is our way of honoring a few of those who have gone above and beyond," said **Mayor Denny Doyle**. "This year's award winners are examples of what we can accomplish and I hope their achievements inspire others to become involved themselves."

Congratulations to the 2010 award winners:

### **Individual Award: Bruce Dalrymple**

Before his passing, Bruce Dalrymple volunteered for several different organizations as well as serving as a Beaverton City Councilor. He served on Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District Board where he was instrumental in establishing synthetic turf fields and laying the groundwork for a major partnership to build a 32-acre multipurpose recreation facility at Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus. He also served as a trustee on the Tualatin Hills Parks Foundation. Dalrymple was a member of Washington County Planning Commission, Washington County Land Use Advisory Commission and the Policy Advisory Committee for the 217 Corridor Urban Revitalization Project. His service to the community continued as an active member of the Beaverton Rotary Club, a volunteer youth basketball coach and as a coach, board member and sponsor of Beaverton Area Little League.

### **Neighborhood Association Committee (NAC) Award: Jim Persey, Greenway NAC**

Jim Persey has served as the NAC representative for the Greenway neighborhood for more than 15 years. During that time, he has been successful at articulating neighborhood concerns such as traffic improvements and enhancements to Fanno Creek and Greenway Park. Persey and the Greenway NAC continually collaborate with Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District to provide fun activities for the neighborhood while actively seeking Matching Grant Funds for neighborhood improvement projects. This NAC was also the first to join a recent fund raising effort to support local homeless students and children needing toys during the last holiday season. For more than a decade, Persey has also served as the volunteer coordinator on behalf of the Beaverton Committee for Citizen Involvement (BCCI) for the very successful Beaverton Cleanup Day/Beaverton Recycling Day, coordinating volunteers from all 11 Beaverton neighborhoods and reporting their hours for the Matching Grant Fund. As if that wasn't enough, the Greenway NAC, with Persey's assistance, is the only NAC to have continually produced a newsletter for the neighborhood, keeping them updated on local activities, projects and neighbor concerns.

**Organization Award: General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) - Beaverton Women's Club**

The GFWC Beaverton Women's Club's mission is to enhance the lives of others in the community through fundraising and volunteering. This past year, GFWC Beaverton Women's Club was involved in many activities supporting this mission. Organizing an event called Girl Friend's Tea, GFWC Beaverton Women's Club funded a scholarship for single mothers at Portland Community College who are returning to school and are enrolled in a degree program through a raffle of donated goods and services. The GFWC Beaverton Women's Club made a two year commitment to the Domestic Violence Resource Center to repair and maintain two of the bathrooms, which includes replacing flooring, toilets, cabinets, mirrors while also providing towels, washcloths and other toiletries. Among many other items they have donated, the GFWC Beaverton Women's Club purchased and assembled 48 backpacks for new mothers, each containing books, a toy, a greeting card and brochures on parenting.

**Business Award: Dr. Dan Miller, Beaverton Family Chiropractic**

For more than 18 years, Beaverton Family Chiropractic, under the leadership of Dr. Dan Miller, has been striving to assist the Beaverton community. Beaverton Family Chiropractic gives each of its patients baby bottles to take home and fill with change, which it then gives to the Pregnancy Resource Center in Beaverton. Each year, Beaverton Family Chiropractic organizes a toy drive for Washington County foster children and migrant families from Groner Elementary. The practice also organizes a school supply drive for William Walker Elementary and canned food drives for St. Vincent De Paul, Sunshine Pantry, and clothes drives for Northwest Children's Outreach and Christian Men's Shelter. In addition, Dr. Miller volunteers as the personal team chiropractor for the Portland Rain, a women's semi-pro soccer team and teaches free health awareness classes in his office, which are open to the public. Currently, Dr. Miller and Beaverton Family Chiropractic are developing a program for patients who cannot afford chiropractic care to volunteer at local shelters where volunteer hours go to pay for their care.

**Educator of the Year: Dennis Williams**

Recognized for his work as a math teacher at the Health and Sciences School in Beaverton, Dennis Williams has become an inspirational mentor to his class. From an outpouring of letters from parents and students alike, Williams has been described as a dedicated, caring teacher with innovative approaches to motivating student success. His creativity, sense of humor and straightforward manner have led him to develop a teaching style that is conducive to learning for

everyone involved. He always has time for his students and can help everyone in the classroom learn the curriculum.

**Emerging Leader (18 and younger): Eudora Erickson**

Previously a student at the International School of Beaverton (ISB), 15-year-old Eudora Erickson will enter Beaverton High School as a junior in the fall and plans to complete an International Baccalaureate Diploma. Erickson has been involved in a number of activities that have shown her outstanding leadership qualities. As a member of the Washington County Youth Council, she worked with area businesses to stock law enforcement vehicles with donated duffle bags to hold the belongings of foster children as they are transferred from place to place. She also started a project that made blankets for the homeless and holiday cards for the elderly. Erickson volunteers regularly at the Pregnancy Resource Center and, for the last two years, has volunteered as a summer camp councilor for Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District's Leadership in Training Experience (LITE) program. She was a member of the ISB Student Council for three years and participated in the Asian American Youth Leadership Conference for the past two years.

**ABOUT BEAVERTON**

Beaverton has been recognized as the **safest city in the Pacific Northwest** for three consecutive years, as one of the **best places to raise kids** by BusinessWeek magazine, a **Top 100 Best Places to Live in America** by Money Magazine, an **All-America City finalist**, one of the **100 Best Walking Cities in America** by Prevention Magazine, was named the **Recycler of the Year (2008)** from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, retains a **Bronze Award Bicycle Friendly community designation** by the League of American Bicyclists and is one of the Environmental Protection Agency's **Green Power Communities**. Beaverton also enjoys the most diverse population (by percentage of population) among Oregon cities.

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