

THE Oakland Park Volunteer Corps NEWSLETTER



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2015 Youth Volunteer of The Year

Young Volunteers are the lifeblood in our Volunteer Corps. It is widely recognized that early involvement indicates a sense of community and willingness to be involved. Future leaders and special people are developed here, and Karla Sibirian is nothing short of special. Karla is currently a junior at Pompano Beach High School, and she has helped in our Library for over 2 years, amassing 100+ hours this year alone!



2015 Volunteer of The Year

Perhaps the most important member of the Oakland park Volunteer Corps, we'd like to recognize the individual who represents the essence of volunteerism. Pat Crowley has been chosen as the 2015 Volunteer of The Year.

Pat selflessly gives of her time and talent throughout the year. She is a tremendous example of getting involved, giving back to her community and making a difference anywhere she can. Her contributions are numerous and include participation in **Adopt a Street, Lakeside Sand Pine Preserve Cleanup, OKTOBERFEST, Make A Difference Day, Operation Our Neighbor, Chef Showcase, Evening With Santa**, she also assisted on **Graffiti Patrol** as well as the **Fathers Day Fishing Tournament**.

Pat retired from her career position last year and jumped right into the Volunteer Corps to help stay busy. We can't thank her enough for all she's done for the Volunteer Corps this year.

We're honored to have these and ALL volunteers in our program. You accomplish so much and make such a difference in **our community**.



Partners Make It Possible

The Volunteer Corps is very fortunate to have tremendous business partners that support our activities and events through the year including services, meals, products and volunteerism.

- A Special Thanks To Our Partners!**
- Garlic Knot
 - Scandinavian Builders
 - American Roofing
 - New Beginnings TLC
 - All-American Awards
 - The Home Depot

This year, we are pleased to announce **The Home Depot** led by Manager Nadene Rose as our **2015 Partner of The Year** for their donations of their time and materials. The grants gifted to Oakland Park eclipsed \$16,000 - money which we were able to reinvest into our community.

did you '15 know?

Our Corps added **200** new members in 2015.

Oakland Park Volunteers donated **8,083** hours, a 70% increase from 2014.



Volunteer Team Of 2015

It's a privilege for the Volunteer Corps to work with local civic organizations in support of City projects and events. It's with their help with we can accomplish so much in our community. With their help, we were able to complete projects such as **Waterway Cleanup, Adopt A Street, Adopt A Waterway, Reading Programs at Floranada and Oakland Park Elementary Schools** as well as **Oktoberfest**. A big thank you for **Oakland Park Kiwanis!**