Community Awards Presentation

The Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation (SBTHP) held its 53rd annual meeting in their Presidio Chapel. It seemed strange not to have Dr. Jarrell Jackman (Jerry) there after 28 years as executive director. He retired this year and the interim director is Sally Fouhse. There were 30 applications for the vacant position, so it will be awhile before a decision is made. Jarrell’s wife Michele was a stalwart volunteer for 35 years. They will be missed.

Board president Terease Chin opened the meeting by telling the audience some of their many accomplishments of 2015: six thousand people came to their cantina during Fiesta, the 4 x 4 x 4 fund raising campaign, Pozole Feast, Founding Day, descendants’ barbecue, Presidio Pastimes
Award recipients at SBTHP Katie and David Hay with daughters Keira and Grace

SBTHP board president Terese Chin with certificate winner Roger Knox and presenter Dr. Melissa Chatfield

SBTHP co-chairs of development Debby Aceves and Keith Mautino

Nimmons, John Poucher, Richard Rojas, and Donald Sharpe. Also supporting SBTHP were Dale Francisco, Greg Hart, and Roger Aceves.

Many people don’t realize that SBTHP works in conjunction with the California State Parks and Recreation system in the stewardship of several properties. SBTHP has El Presidio de Santa Barbara State Historic Park, Casa de la Guerra, Santa Ines Mission Mills, and Jimmy’s Oriental Gardens. A new addition is Standing Sun Winery, which opened a wine tasting room in Casa de la Guerra’s old bodega room. You can taste new wines in a very historic spot.

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through the years for various projects. Awards were given for outstanding work for SBTHP. David Bolton received the Sue Higman Volunteer of the Year award for many events, but especially the candlelight dinner for 90 in the chapel. It was a stellar evening I’ll always remember. The late Sue Higman was one of the first people I met in Santa Barbara in 1976. She introduced me to Pearl Chase shortly before her death.

The other major award was the George and Vivian Obern Preservation Stewardship Award. It went to Katie and David Hay for saving the Juarez-Fosmer Adobe located beside Manning Park. The adobe now looks as though it were built in the 19th century. It even has the original windows along with old and new adobe bricks. The Oberns themselves restored an old home next to Hope Ranch.

Some of those adjourning to the

by Candlelight, mariachi hotel lecture, Alhecama Theatre restoration, Asian American neighborhood festival, and more. SBTHP is also proud they have made more than 100,000 adobe bricks