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**Each of our volunteers helps move people and communities forward, delivering the benefits of good health, strong connections, greater self-confidence and a sense of security to all who seek them.**

**As a leading nonprofit for youth development, healthy living and social responsibility, the Y provides kids, adults, families and communities with vital support and opportunities to learn, grow and thrive.**

**We work tirelessly every day to nurture the potential of kids, improve our community's health and well-being, and give back and support our neighbors.**

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# THEODORE P. BEASLEY DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Theodore P. Beasley Distinguished Leadership Award was first awarded in 1983, to Theo Beasley, in acknowledgement of his outstanding service to the YMCA in Dallas and around the world through his support of Springfield College and the World Alliance. The understanding and passion he had for the impact of the YMCA on communities epitomizes the impact volunteer leadership must have on this organization. This award is given annually in recognition of outstanding service and volunteer leadership to the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas. The award is presented by past award winners and the President.

Nominations for this award are approved by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors.

## 2016 RECIPIENT



## Bruce Leib

**The Past recipients of this distinguished award are:**

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| 1983 Theodore P. Beasley     | 2000 W. Plack Carr, Jr.   |
| 1984 Sam G. Winstead         | 2001 Don Bowles, Jr.      |
| 1985 William H. Seay         | 2002 Randy Marston        |
| 1986 Charles P. Storey       | 2003 Sherwood Blount, Jr. |
| 1987 Hugh L. Steger          | 2004 Kenneth Mighell      |
| 1988 Donald E. Bowles, Sr.   | 2005 Jack McGrael         |
| 1989 Gifford O. Touchstone   | 2006 John A. Martin       |
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| 1992 Louis A. Beecherl, Jr.  | 2009 Garrett Boone        |
| 1993 James W. Porter         | 2010 Ruben E. Esquivel    |
| 1994 William D. Jordan       | 2011 Robert Hallam        |
| 1995 Lee S. Turner, Jr.      | 2012 Jim Adams            |
| 1996 George Cullum, Jr.      | 2013 J. Scott Moore       |
| 1997 Carl L. Yeckel          | 2014 David Folz           |
| 1998 C. Dewitt Brown, Jr.    | 2015 Michael P. Haggerty  |
| 1999 Dr. Wright Lassiter     |                           |

For some people, the YMCA seems to be just a part of their life, and this certainly holds true for Bruce Leib and his family. Growing up in North Dallas, the Town North Y was just the place for Bruce to hang out or play a little ping pong with friends. It was also the place he took swim lesson and played baseball and football.

Bruce graduated high school from W.T. White and went to Austin to attend the University of Texas. After completing his Bachelor's and MBA at UT, he returned to Dallas in 1981, and began his banking career. Bruce married his wife, Ginger, and they have four children: Bryan, Kevin, Anna and Emily.

Bruce's YMCA experiences expanded with his growing family and he continued to be involved at the Town North YMCA. The kids participated in soccer, basketball, baseball and swimming with Bruce as a coach many times along the way. He also participated in the Guides and Princess programs with each of his children. Even today, Ginger is a faithful participant in the Town North Masters Swim program.

In 1988, Bruce was asked to join the Town North YMCA Board of Management where he met his mentor Mike Hamilton, the YMCA Executive Director at that time. During his 11-year tenure on the Town North Board, he served both as the Campaign and Board Chair.

Over the last 16 years, Bruce has served on the YMCA Metropolitan Board giving of his time, talent and leadership. Bruce chaired the Properties Committee for the past 6 years and serves on the Finance, Executive and Strategic Issues Committees. Bruce has been an active Campaigner for decades raising money and sharing the Y story with countless community members.

Bruce's leadership and service are not unique to the YMCA, as he has served on the Board of Trustees and as Treasurer for America CAN! Academies, the Advisory Board of Dallas CAN! Academy and the Board of Directors for Texas Bank.

The commitment and passion demonstrated by individuals like Bruce Leib are what help shape great YMCAs. Bruce's distinguished leadership embodies the true spirit of the Theodore P. Beasley Award. The effect of Bruce's service will continue to help the YMCA strengthen the foundation of community.

# CHARLES P. STOREY STRONG COMMUNITIES AWARD

Each community YMCA has a unique history that includes names and faces of volunteers who provided a lifetime of leadership that paved the way to today's successes. Charles P. Storey is a stellar example of that lifetime of commitment.

From his days as a youth at Camp Crockett, to his nine-years building life-long memories with his three sons through the Indian Guides program, and finally to becoming a Board Member and working tirelessly for the YMCA Movement for over 40 years, Charles P. Storey demonstrated a lifetime of commitment to strengthen communities through the Y.

The Strong Communities Award represents Chuck's impact. Criteria for this award is a demonstrated commitment by a YMCA volunteer who has been instrumental in the creation and perpetuation of a local YMCA. Nominations for this award are received from branches and are selected by a committee of staff and volunteers appointed by the Board of Directors.

## 2016 RECIPIENT



## Marshall Sutton

**The past recipients of this distinguished award are:**

- 2002 C. Dan Smith - Plano Family YMCA
- 2003 Charlie & Sarah Seay - Park Cities Family YMCA
- 2004 Wayne Hanks - Grand Prairie Family YMCA
- 2005 Louis Beecherl, Jr. - Downtown Dallas YMCA
- 2006 Hershel Hodges - Park Cities Family YMCA
- 2007 Joel Williams, Jr. - YMCA Camp Grady Spruce
- 2008 Ernest Randall - Richardson Family YMCA
- 2009 Howard Shipley - T. Boone Pickens YMCA
- 2010 Jack Semones - Town North YMCA
- 2012 Bill Keffler - Richardson YMCA
- 2013 Gerald Worrall, III - White Rock YMCA
- 2014 Larry Parks - J.E.R Chilton YMCA at Rockwall
- 2015 L.G Fuller - Moorland Family YMCA

Marshall Sutton first became involved at the YMCA in the 1950s as a child in Grand Prairie. At the time, the YMCA was a little green building in the middle of Turner Park. Marshall's father convinced G.H. Turner to donate the land to build the first full facility YMCA in Grand Prairie. Marshall and his friends grew up at the Grand Prairie Y, participating in many programs and events. Looking back, Marshall credits the Y for keeping him from going down the wrong path.

After high school, Marshall attended Texas Tech, followed by graduate studies at Southern Methodist University. He returned to the area to take his first job, working for a bank in Dallas. In 1976, Marshall began working at the Grand Prairie State Bank and was asked to work on the YMCA's Annual Campaign. Marshall was asked to raise \$125 his first year and made his goal, in part because of his own contribution of \$75. Marshall's commitment to the Grand Prairie YMCA and its mission has remained strong in the 40 years since his first campaign.

In the 1980s, Marshall joined the board and served into the 1990s. Over the years, Marshall served as both a campaign team captain and division leader, and currently is serving as the Campaign Chair for the third time. Although Marshall came out of retirement and rejoined the board a few years ago, he has stayed connected to the YMCA by serving as the Campaign Advanced Gift Co-Chair and as the Leadership Development Chair.

Marshall's role as a servant leader stretches beyond his Y service. He was a Rotarian for over 20 years, he sits on the Board of Grand Prairie United Charities, Grand Prairie Quality of Life Foundation and Lifeline Shelter for Families. He is also the Secretary/Treasurer for the Grand Prairie Housing Finance Corporation, a Trustee for the Lena and Harry Turner Foundation, and an Advisory Group Member of the Con-Real Support Group.

For more than 4 decades, Marshall Sutton has worked for the youth and families of the Grand Prairie YMCA community. His commitment and dedication as a YMCA leader exemplifies the mission, purpose and ideals of the Y. Volunteers such as Marshall truly help the Y strength of the foundation of community.



# YMCA YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS

The YMCA Youth Character Award honors worthy young people who embody the four YMCA core values: honesty, respect, responsibility and caring. The award is to recognize those whose lives and achievements demonstrate an enduring commitment to qualities associated with good character.



**Athena Bruess** has participated in Youth and Government since the 6th grade and always strives to help lead others toward understanding. Winning awards each year at conferences is not enough for Athena, she feels it is important for her to mentor younger students. She has started YG programs for both the Plano and Town North YMCAs, St. Marks Catholic School, Jesuit College Preparatory and Ursuline Academy, where she is a Freshman this year. Athena is a competitive swimmer, pitcher for the JV softball team, part of the debate team, member of Girl Scouts, and a member of Refugee Awareness Club, where she helped set up apartments for incoming refugee families. Athena founded the Sunshine Girls, her own charity group, which collects clothing for the poor in Sri Lanka, shoes for Soles for Souls, and glasses for the Lions Club. Athena continually gives of herself not only to the Town North and McKinney YMCA's, but also across the Dallas community. She truly embodies servant leadership and does so with a smile that inspires others to do the same.



**Christian Giador** is a true servant leader. He has been responsible for mentoring, recruiting and encouraging fellow Youth and Government delegates in Rockwall. He serves as the president of his YG club at Rockwall Heath High School and leads students in Model United Nations. He served as the Deputy Secretary General for this year's Texas Model UN Assembly here in Dallas, where he helped to create training materials for new delegates, determined the direction of the conference and guided all delegates on

their position papers and procedure in committees. Christian also spends time leading his track team, where he has won several awards and meets, and whatever time he has left after his schoolwork and extracurricular activities he devotes to his parent's small business for Meals on Wheels by helping prepare and deliver meals for those in need in Rockwall. Christian is an amazing young man to whom other youth can look for inspiration. Christian is a true gift to anyone around him and we are so blessed to have him as part of our Y family.



**G'Colby Spivey** is a quiet eighth grader who loves to spend time at the YMCA. G'Colby has participated in Y programs for 10 years, a good tenure for a 13-year-old. He especially considers the Y his second home during school breaks and summer vacation. G'Colby has participated in Lake Highland's Youth Basketball, Youth Soccer, and Youth T-Ball. At Park South YMCA he has attended Summer Day Camp and at the Lakewest YMCA, G'Colby has participated in Youth Basketball, Youth Soccer, Summer Day Camp, and Teen Camp. Outside of being an active Y participant, G'Colby is a dedicated volunteer at the Lakewest Y. He assists the staff with an assortment of tasks. Many days he can be found filling the Little Library in front of the YMCA so that both the young and old have a selection of reading material. He can also be found working hard on cleaning the gym so it is ready for youth teams to play. Whatever the task, G'Colby's strong character and commitment to helping his community shines through in all he does.



**Nandita Vegesna**, a high school junior, has been a participant in the Texas Youth and Government and Model United Nations for four years. She is currently the captain for the Model United Nations program in her school, Imagine International Academy of North Texas. Last year, Nandita received a Distinguished Delegate award at the Dallas Model United Nations Invitational, and this year is the captain of the Imagine International Model United Nations club. A top student, she is also on the McKinney Girls Lacrosse D1 and is a Metro Aquatics swimmer. With all Nandita has on her plate she still manages to find time to volunteer at the McKinney Y, including being the McKinney Y's youngest Board Member. She attends monthly board meetings and reports our youth updates and raises funds for Annual Campaign. Just last month, Nandita was selected by our Youth and Government State Director to represent Texas in the Youth Advocate Program at National Advocacy Days in Washington DC. It is the McKinney YMCA's deepest conviction that we salute Nandita Vegesna as the recipient of this year's YMCA Youth Character Award.

# SAM G. WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS

The Sam G. Winstead Volunteer of the Year Award is presented to a volunteer at each branch who has committed significant time and energy to a program or to the perpetuation of the YMCA in their community.



## **CAMP GRADY SPRUCE**

Bill Hinds has demonstrated the spirit of camp in his leadership. While finishing his last two years as Board Chair, Bill has worked tirelessly as a leader in the Bricks & Mortar Committee and is now leading the charge in our Board Talent Cultivation Committee. His involvement has run deep and wide for camp. Bill is recognized as an individual who exemplifies exceptional leadership and encompasses the mission of YMCA Camp Grady Spruce.



## **COLLIN COUNTY ADVENTURE CAMP**

Jason Massingill's true passion is being a servant. He enjoys working with his hands and he has been instrumental in bringing things to the camp that have helped to make our facility better. Projects Jason has been responsible for include: designing and building a watering station for our campers to refill water bottles, designing and building a locking paddle board rack, hanging a canoe on the dining hall wall, and building a stage with seating behind our education building. Jason does not only help with building and maintenance needs, he also does drone videos of camp groups and special events that we have could incorporate into some of our marketing and promotional videos. Moreover, he is married to our Outdoor Education Director and she sometimes puts him to work with the groups. Jason has been an integral part in helping us improve our facility and our programs. Jason has been a true asset to Collin County Adventure Camp. Thank you for all that you do for The Y.



## **COPPELL FAMILY YMCA**

Don Scott has served on the Coppell board since 2014 and has been involved for years in Y programs as a coach for his three kids. In 2016, Don served as the campaign chair during a difficult campaign year. Don agreed to step up to the Board Chair position for 2017 while also co-chairing the

campaign during a rebuilding year. A constant source of energy and new ideas, Don does not shy away from the opportunity to share a Y story or discuss how we can continue to reach more people in the community. Many board members will shy away from a leadership position when they are new, but Don jumped right in and has done an amazing job keeping the Coppell Y on track.



### **CROSS TIMBERS FAMILY YMCA**

Carter Ash has been a member of the Cross Timbers Y since 2013, but has been involved with YMCA youth sports programs for over 10 years. During those 10 years, Carter has impacted many youth through his coaching efforts. He began his YMCA coaching career with his sons, Logan and Payton, and now spends his time coaching his daughter Emerson. In addition, Carter volunteers his time investing in local teens by offering weekly basketball training sessions at the Y to keep them engaged in the game of basketball. Carter has also helped in our fundraising efforts and is an advocate for the YMCA programs and their service to the community. He truly is making a difference in our community and we greatly appreciate his service to the Cross Timbers YMCA!



### **FRISCO FAMILY YMCA**

Kelley Goebel is a devoted wife, mother of two, and fitness enthusiast who has been an active member of the Frisco Y since we opened our current facility in 2008. Since that time, she has served in several volunteer capacities which include serving on the membership committee, conducting focus groups, coordinating special events, becoming a Team Leader for Annual Campaign and joining the Board of Management in 2015. In 2016, while serving on the Board, Kelley provided leadership as Chair of the Membership Committee, sponsored Healthy Kids Day and Boo Bash, served as Division Leader for the Annual Campaign, and has been a great ambassador for the Frisco Y. The Frisco Y is so blessed to have Kelley Goebel a part of our Y Team and are excited to recognize her as our 2016 Volunteer of the Year!



### **GRAND PRAIRIE FAMILY YMCA**

Richard Hart has been volunteering at the Grand Prairie Y for the last two years. He has volunteered for teen camp, monthly teen nights, and our annual Trunk or Treat event. However, the area that he is most visible in is our MID-NITE basketball program. Hart facilitates the program every

week with passion and love for both the Grand Prairie community and the students. Richard is loved and looked up to by the young men in the city of Grand Prairie that participate in this program. Young men that have gone on to play basketball at universities like OSU and USC still come back in the summer to see Richard and fill him in with what's going on in their lives. Richard Hart is truly our MVP here at the Grand Prairie YMCA!



### **IRVING FAMILY YMCA**

Ricky Nolly is a true servant leader. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Irving Family YMCA Teen Development Committee, acting as the liaison between the Irving Family YMCA and Irving ISD. His dedication to the Irving

Community has assisted in the growth of the following Irving Family YMCA programs: Superintendent's Cup, Baccalaureate for graduating Irving ISD Seniors, Student Reassignment Center Mentoring Program, and the Irving Youth and Government Program. The Irving Family YMCA is proud and honored to have such a dedicated man like Rick Nolly as a Board Member and friend.

### **J.E.R CHILTON YMCA**



For more than five years, Bill Michalenko has been a member and an awesome volunteer of the JER Chilton YMCA. Bill chaired the Annual Campaign in 2016 and was determined to have the best

campaign ever. Bill wasn't just satisfied with reaching our goal of \$215,000, he wanted to make sure we raised \$250,000 so we could help a larger number of families and children in our community - and with his leadership we did just that! Bill's sweet, soft spirit was so motivating to all our volunteers, and with him at the helm we were able to reach new heights. Bill Michalenko is an amazing person and we are happy he is our volunteer of the year!

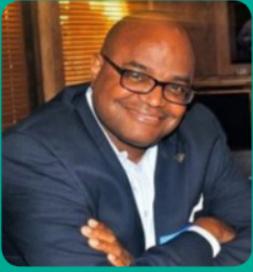
### **LAKE HIGHLANDS FAMILY YMCA**



John Smiley, a member of the Lake Highlands Family Y since 2005, has served an active role on the Safety Committee and has been a key volunteer for the Annual Campaign. John was initially hesitant when approached

about volunteering for Annual Campaign because, as stated by his wife Julie, "He doesn't do anything half way." Well he has certainly lived up to the hype. John took a leadership role in campaign and made it his personal mission to tell everyone he interacted with about the

great work of the Lake Highlands Family YMCA. John takes personal ownership of our branch, and never hesitates to jump in to lend a helping hand with any given task. He is a great asset to the Y, and we are more than pleased to have him as a member of the YMCA family.



### **LAKEWEST FAMILY YMCA**

Marvin Jones has been affiliated with the Y since 1990. He began serving as a volunteer at the Park South YMCA by dedicating his time to help with yearly community outreach programs such as the Annual Toy Giveaway, fan drives during the hot summer months and the Holiday Food Basket Giveaway. Through Marvin's Fraternity, the Theta Alpha Chapter of Omega Psi Phi, his volunteer work has provided not only for Park South, but also for the Lakewest, Moorland and Oak Cliff Ys. Marvin joined the Lakewest board in 2013 and has committed himself to making sure Lakewest has a voice not only in the West Dallas community, but also throughout Dallas. He's dedicated to telling Lakewest's story to everyone he meets. No matter what coffee shop he's visiting, Marvin finds a way to tell a Y story and invites potential partners to visit Lakewest. Lakewest YMCA is proud to select Marvin Jones as our 2016 Volunteer of the Year for his tireless efforts and passion for the Y.



### **MCKINNEY FAMILY YMCA**

Leah Douthit grew up in McKinney and wanted to give back to the community. Her love for children and serving others has made her an incredible volunteer. She came onto the McKinney Board in 2014 and in those two short years she has made an impact. Last year, with Leah serving as our Annual Campaign Chair, we not only hit our goals, but she also helped to increase our total giving by 30% and our gift amounts by over 31%. We had an incredible year due to her leadership and passion to help and serve others. Leah is an incredible example of a servant leader, so much so that in every email she has sent me in the past two years she ends it with "Happy to Serve". She embodies the true spirit of the Y and I am proud to have her as our Sam Winstead Volunteer of the Year.



### **MOODY FAMILY YMCA - Chris Crocker**

Chris Crocker joined the Park Cities YMCA board in 2011 and has served in many capacities, most recently as the Board Chair for the Moody Family YMCA. In 2014, Chris led the Annual Campaign ensuring that the Y raised the money to meet their goal, all while

the Park Cities Y was transitioning to a temporary location and involved in an aggressive capital campaign. Chris continues to demonstrate high energy with the board, having led many committees including executive, leadership, and campaign. We are proud to choose Chris as the Moody family YMCA Volunteer of the Year.



### **MOORLAND FAMILY YMCA**

Jeanette Guiden is affectionately known as MeMe to all those at the Moorland Y. She is the first member in the morning to arrive to open the branch with the Welcome Center staff, and is known as the leader of the welcoming committee.

She greets members and guests with a warm loving smile. Her laughter in the morning can be heard throughout the branch. A long-time volunteer at the Moorland Y, she has helped support seniors who may not be able to come to the Y due to illness, even going by their home or visiting them in the hospital. As a former nurse, she continues to use her clinical skills to care for those not able to attend the Y. She has led other members in making pillows or throw blankets to take to nursing homes in the community, as well as to former members. The Moorland Y and the community as a whole has tremendously benefited from MeMe and her genuine care for others.



### **OAK CLIFF FAMILY YMCA**

Keith and Kevin Harris, two of Dallas' top attorneys, are Identical twins with an identical passion for community service who chose to spend their time at the Oak Cliff Y. They have been involved in both the Y Achievers and Youth and Government programs. As two of the top campaigners for our Annual Campaign, year after year they step up to the challenge to help meet the needs of the Oak Cliff Y. As they have gained success in their practice, they have shared that with the Y and become the largest contributors to the Oak Cliff Y campaign. Keith and Kevin have met the needs of our youth on many occasions by purchasing backpacks when we did not have enough or providing food for teens headed to Austin for the Youth and Government State Conference to ensure they had nutritious snacks. Wherever the needs have been, Keith and Kevin have stepped in to serve. Thank you for having a strong presence and involvement at the Oak Cliff Y.





### **PARK SOUTH FAMILY YMCA**

Terry Kittelson has served the South Dallas Community for more than 15 years, including working diligently on behalf of the Park South Y. Terry's laid back, "behind the scenes" style compelled him to come in and talk with the staff of the Y to find out what we needed to serve the community. For the last decade, Terry has been integral in securing funds and resources to support many of Park South's programs. In 2016 however, Terry took a sky's-the-limit approach and it resulted in a completely renovated early childhood annex for the branch to serve 45 additional preschoolers, operations costs for three years to support that addition, the eradication of a formerly blighted commercial property in the community, and a reenergized conversation around a capital campaign for the Park South facility. No matter what the task, Terry is up for the challenge if it means the Park South Y will have what it needs to serve. Because of his tenaciousness, commitment, and servant leader spirit, the Park South Y is honored to recognize Terry Kittelson as our volunteer of the year.



### **PLANO FAMILY YMCA**

David Dillard has served on the Board of Management since 2007, most recently as the 2016-2017 Board Chair. For the past three years, David has served on the Community Engagement Committee and has provided teen volunteers through his business to support special events at the Y. David was instrumental in helping to establish the Youth and Government and Teen Action Committee at the Plano YMCA. Volunteers like David who are valuable, involved and committed are what makes our YMCA thrive. We are so proud to have David as our Volunteer of the Year.



### **RICHARDSON FAMILY YMCA**

Jose Estrada began his volunteer career with the Richardson YMCA in 2014 as a soccer coach. He joined us not as a guardian or parent of a player, but simply as a member of the community looking for a way to give back. Over the last three years and six consecutive soccer seasons, Coach Estrada has continued to work with the Vipers team and parents teaching the game of soccer, but most importantly being a role model of the YMCA's Core Values. He has donated not only his time, but also sponsored kids on his team through the Annual Campaign who otherwise could not afford to participate in the program. On behalf of the kids, parents and YMCA

staff who have benefitted from his volunteer work, thanks Coach Estrada!



### **T. BOONE PICKENS YMCA**

More than 20 years ago, Neil Anderson started his involvement with the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas by joining the Community Services YMCA board of management. When the Community Services branch was absorbed by the downtown branch, Neil's involvement continued as a board member and volunteer on multiple other levels. Due to his high interest in college students, Neil led our Y Scholars program, which included recruiting other volunteers and interviewing college scholarship applicants. Neil continued his involvement in the Y Scholars program over the years, while also leading our major gifts campaign for the past decade, along with our Marketing and Membership committee. Over the last two years, Neil almost single handedly recreated our board of management. Neil's incredible talent in networking, along with his ability to meet new people, assess their strengths, and connect them with the YMCA, has earned him the title of the "Godfather" of the T. Boone YMCA.

### **TOWN NORTH FAMILY YMCA**



The saying: "if you want to get something done, ask a busy person to do it", fits Brooke Villalba perfectly. She joined the Town North Board four years ago and immediately became an engaged member of the Marketing Communication/Committee. When asked what role she would like to take in the Annual Campaign she thought it would be best to join the Advanced Gifts Division (a \$5,000 commitment) because she was expecting her third child and her husband would be embarking on a political campaign. She wanted to have her work done before her baby would arrive in January. Of course, she achieved her goal. Brooke's enthusiasm and organizational skills served her well as Co-Chair for the Campaign. Under her leadership, the Town North Y has surpassed \$600,000 two years in a row, the most money raised at the Branch level in the Association. Brooke also led our first Women's Bible Study group. Brooke recognizes the importance to take pause in her busy life and thank the Lord for all His blessings. We are grateful that Brooke believes in and supports our great Cause in so many ways.



### **WAXAHACHIE FAMILY YMCA**

Since 2006 Bradley Bowen has volunteered as a youth coach at the Waxahachie YMCA. Bradley has coached multiple seasons of kids ages 6 to 13 years in boys flag football, boys and girls basketball, and girls volleyball. Volunteers such as Bradley are critical to our programs. Without them, we would not be able to function and impact so many young lives through positive activities and life lessons with Christian values. Bradley has stepped up with hard work and dedication to fulfill his volunteer duties with the highest moral standards, trustworthiness, and ethics. He has served the children and community with honor as an upstanding role model both on and off the field of play, having an immeasurable positive impact on the lives of many young people and their families. Bradley Bowen has demonstrated himself to be a valuable contributor to our community, a role we at the YMCA hope he may continue to fulfill for years to come.



### **WHITE ROCK YMCA**

As the White Rock Y Annual Campaign Chairperson, Ginger Hoolan has been the heart and soul of this volunteer team for the past two years. She has devoted endless time and energy procuring donations to not only meet, but exceed the annual goal. A longtime Y participant and supporter, Ginger's love for the Y began back when her daughters were Indian Princesses. She campaigned for the Y even before becoming a board member, and when she became a board member in 2015, she almost immediately accepted the role as campaign chair. Ginger exceeded the 2016 goal of \$210,000 by raising \$221,000. After the 2016 campaign ended, she eagerly accepted a second term as Annual Campaign Chair. Even after the campaign ended, Ginger continued raising campaign funds throughout the year. It's because of Ginger's dedication and positive outlook toward the White Rock Y that she will become the 2018 Board Chair. When a board member heard Ginger would be named Volunteer of the Year she stated, "It's Ginger's huge heart, love for local community and selfless support for the YMCA that exemplifies a Y volunteer."

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To put Christian values into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

