

The Gratitude Circle

The Gratitude Circle is a partnership between the Conejo Recreation & Park District and Play Conejo. Annually, the ConejoRPD Board of Directors celebrates and honors individuals who have made a significant contribution of time, effort, or energy to recreation and parks in the Conejo Valley.

The Gratitude Circle is also a place where people can honor loved ones and support ConejoRPD's parks and programs through charitable giving.

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The **Conejo Recreation & Park District** is an independent special district serving the Conejo Valley since 1963. Its mission is to enrich the quality of life for our community by preserving and enhancing recreational opportunities, parks, and open space.



Play Conejo is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created in 2012 to provide volunteer, charitable, and financial support for public park facilities and recreation programs which benefit Conejo Valley residents. Play Conejo is raising funds to help the District maintain quality parks and offer diverse and affordable recreation programs.

2017 Gratitude Circle Dedication
Monday, May 8 at 5:30pm

**The Board of Directors
of the
Conejo Recreation and Park District**

is proud to honor and recognize

Doris Granholm

**for her dedication
to the people of the Conejo Valley
through recreation, parks, and open space**

1. Gratitude
2. Children's
3. Stream
4. Lake
5. Volleyball
6. Turf
7. Restroom
8. parking
9. picnic
10. Concert





Gratitude Circle Honorees

2017

Doris Granholm

2016

Frances Prince
Rorie Skei

2015

Dennis Gillette
Mike Berger
Barbara Kloster

2014

Tex Ward
Mark Jacobsen

"Doris was a gentle and effective champion for Parks and Open Space and all other good civic virtues!"

~ Rorie Skei

"Doris was truly one of those exceptional people that helped build our community into the wonderful place it is today. Terry and I will not be able to attend the event but we'll be there in spirit."

~ Dennis Gillette



Doris Granholm

A Conejo Recreation & Park District Board Member from 1972 to 1986, Doris Granholm was an avid and vocal supporter for all things related to the Conejo Valley community.

Serving on the ConejoRPD Board was only one of a myriad of service positions she held over the 36 years that she and her husband, Jackson, made Thousand Oaks their home. Initially, her involvement revolved around the PTA, while her six children – John, Paul, Valerie, Patty, Glen, and Dean – were growing up. Both she and her husband were involved in the shaping of the community that had become their home, and both participated in efforts to form the city and unify the area's three school districts.

"My main emphasis has been to coordinate the efforts of volunteers with public and private sectors in order to maintain the quality of life in the Conejo."

In 1979, Doris stated, "All my life I've been involved with community service and I feel I have the ability to be on a decision-making body. Open space is a top priority. It's very important and will continue to be." Doris' words were borne out by her tremendous commitment to the community she loved. She held a variety of civic leadership positions in educational, historical, recreational, and advisory organizations and became one of the community's most active volunteers.

- Served on Board of Directors, Conejo Recreation & Park District, 1972-1986
- Founding member of Conejo Open Space Conservation Agency (COSCA)
- Served on the Board of Directors of the Civic Center Authority
- Served on the Board for Alliance for the Arts
- President of the Conejo Future Foundation and Trustee Emeritus
- Involved in the Stagecoach Inn Restoration for the Conejo Valley Historical Society (CVHS)
- CVHS Doña Triunfo Woman of the Year in 1972
- Thousand Oaks' Woman of the Year in 1981
- Member, Chamber of Commerce and PTA
- Honorary Life Member of the PTA



The Board of Directors of the Conejo Recreation and Park District are grateful to Doris for her positive impact.

The quality of life in the Conejo Valley is due, in no small part, to her unflagging dedication and passion for recreation, parks, and open space.