



2019 AWARDS PROGRAM

Celebrating

People, Parks & Programs

September 18, 2019
Myrtle Beach
Convention Center

Welcome & Invocation

Lunch served

Introduction of the
2020 SC LEAD Class

Awards Presentation

Community Champion

Parks Excellence

Programming Excellence

District Merit Award

Young Professional of the Year

Professional of the Year

Robert L. Reid Lifetime Achievement

& Hall of Fame Award

Induction of Board of Directors

Closing Remarks

COMMUNITY CHAMPION

Marty Bridges has served the Irmo-Chapin Recreation Commission for over 40 years. He has coached youth football for 36 years, served on numerous committees and boards for ICRC including the Saluda Shoals Park foundation, the advisory board for the commission, the seven oaks improvement committee, and the 2020-2030 strategic plan task force. Marty has helped secure over \$1.7 million to help build a universally inclusive playground for children and adults of all abilities to enjoy. He secured \$248,000 for naming rights at Saluda Shoals athletic fields and new scoreboards throughout the district. A small example of his giving and caring for the community in lieu of retirement gifts he asked people to donate to the Park Foundation.



COMMUNITY CHAMPION

The Union County Library System partners with over 55 agencies to increase services in Union County, one of those agencies being the Union County Recreation Department. Serving a small county takes many partners especially when you are the states 32nd populated county and 34th ranking in health outcomes and a high poverty rate. The Library's willingness to participate in the many outreach efforts throughout Union County is largely responsible for the Recreation Department's ability to expand recreational programming and serve a larger portion of the community.





PARKS EXCELLENCE > 30,000

Eustis Park has been property of the City of Aiken since 1897, originally consisting of 115 acres. The park currently sits on 7.94 acres with boundaries defined under the restriction of LWCF since 1970. In 2016, 5.59 acres of adjacent property was purchased for development of a Senior & Youth Center. These parcels combined with 1 acre of property owned by the City for storm water management, totals just over 15.5 acres. The park featured a playground with swings, two picnic shelters, basketball courts, tennis courts, and a .36 mile walking trail. Parking was limited, and storm water runoff had created multiple landscape issues with areas of washout throughout the park.



PROGRAMMING EXCELLENCE < 30,000

The annual **Orangeburg Festival of Roses** is a partnership between the City of Orangeburg and the Orangeburg County Chamber of Commerce that brings both citizens and visitors together in an organized and safe environment with sights, sounds, and smells for all ages. The Festival hosts entertainment, vendors, arts and crafts, food, a play area for children, road races, fishing tournaments, and other family activities all centered around the celebration of the peak of the spring blooming season of our Rose Garden.



PROGRAMMING EXCELLENCE > 30,000

Therapeutic Recreation programs have been a part of the City of Rock Hill Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department's (PRT) history since 1970. A wide variety of programs are offered for individuals with intellectual and physical disabilities which include leisure and social activities, Special Olympics sports and the arts. **The Merry Mosaic Studio** is a culmination of the therapeutic art programs. The studio has a dedicated art space and store at Boyd Hill Recreation Center where artists of all abilities can create, share and sell their artwork. Cultural and arts programming have been prominent in the City of Rock Hill's Strategic Plan for many years.



Congratulations

To all of our 2019 Award Winners

We hope you've enjoyed this year's conference and we look forward to seeing you next year to celebrate

SCRPA's 75th Anniversary

September 14 – 16, 2020

at the Spartanburg Marriott.

2019 Awards & Citations Committee

- Eric Davis, Chair
- Kristie Oliver, Vice Chair
- Katherine Small – Central District
- Samantha Vitioe – Eastern District
- Pam Zanowski – Southern District
- Tamika Pollard – Western District



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Professional of the Year Recipients 1978 - 2018

1978 Frank Beckham
1979 P.K. Fuller
1980 Sim Wright
1981 Nola Spain
1981 Harmon Baldwin
1982 Herbert Brantley
1983 Russell Hart
1984 Larry Gahan
1985 Steven Gantt
1986 Paul B. Ellis, III
1987 Bob Brooks
1988 Ron Carter
1989 Debbie Wall
1990 Jack Disher
1991 Phil Powell
1992 Buster Smith
1993 Billy Westmoreland
1994 Tim Eubanks
1995 Angela Prosser
1996 Gary Stuber
1997 Ed Thompson
1998 Terry Rhinehart
1999 Elizabeth Taylor
2000 H. Glenn Parker
2001 Paul Wieters
2002 Linda Chinnis
2003 Jeff Caton
2004 John Taylor
2005 Kevin Walsh
2006 Joe Eason
2007 Cynthia Robinson
2008 Ted Summerford
2009 Tom O'Rourke
2010 Ann Cunningham
2011 Ronnie Kinnett
2012 Nancy Callahan
2013 Philip Macchia
2014 Cheryl Heisleman
2015 Mark Sexton
2016 Don Shuman
2017 David Bennett
2018 Jan Cox

Young Professional of the Year Recipients 1984 - 2018

1984 Gordon Hamilton
1985 Nancy Shealy
1986 Phil Powell
1987 Ronnie Miles
1988 Gary Stuber
1989 Terry Rhinehart
1990 Angela Prosser
1991 Paul Wieters
1992 John Taylor
1993 David Bennett
1994 Gary Mixon
1996 Susie Goudy
2001 Phil Macchia
2002 Mark Sexton
2003 Lisa Stasiak
2004 Frank Stefan
2005 Randy Woodard
2006 John Cribb
2008 TJ Rostin
2009 Jeff Metz
2010 Brian Wofford
2011 Will Rishovd
2012 Jessica Campbell
2014 Eric Stewart
2015 Ashley Smith
2016 Doyle Best
2017 Colin Young
2018 Dustin Jordan

Robert L. Reid Lifetime Achievement & Hall of Fame Award Recipients 1976-2018

1976 Danny Jones
1977 Herman Lange
1984 Carl Hust
Sim Wrigh,
Harmon Baldwin
1985 Billy Jeffers
1986 Lou Gayle
1987 Mary Hinson
1988 Nola Spain
1993 Matt Goyak, Sr
1995 Robert L. Reid
1996 P.K. Fuller
1999 Mike Bailey
Paul Ellis, III
2000 Buddy Jennings
2001 Lynn Manera
Mary Burr
Bettie Higgins
Tim Eubanks
2002 Frank Burch
2003 Beverly Brandes
2005 Elizabeth Dunlap-
Rhea
2009 Gene Smith
Ted Lindsey
2010 Jimmie Walters
2011 Ed Thompson
Bob Brooks
2012 Phillip Powell
2013 Gary McJunkin
2014 Buster Smith
2015 Jeff Caton
2016 Doug Echols
2018 Joe Eason

Agency Winners past 2 years

2017 Parks Excellence
<30k Myrtle Beach
Savannah's
Playground
>30k Spartanburg County
Holston Creek Park

2017 Programming Excellence
<30k Hanahan Robotics
Program
>30k Rock Hill BMX World
Championship

2018 Parks Excellence
<30k City of Newberry
Oakland Park Tennis
>30k Greenville County
Mesa Soccer
Complex

2018 Programming Excellence
<30k City of Dillon Holiday
Goodness
>30k Irmo Chapin
Recreation
Commission Summer
Adventure Squad