

## Oregon Ducks Unlimited Selects Winning Artists

Robert Green, State Chairman of Ducks Unlimited today announced that Darrell Davis of Hood River and Judy Phearson of Klamath Falls have been selected as winning artists in the organization's statewide art contest.

Davis was named Sponsor Artist of the Year with an entry entitled "Evening Sun", while Phearson was chosen Artist of the Year with "Adrift But Still Working". The Canada Goose was featured in both paintings.

The winners were unanimously selected from among 35 entries by a panel of judges which included Ken Durbin of the Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife; Gene Favell, owner of the famed Favell Museum of Western Art and Artifacts in Klamath Falls; Jerry Hilbert of Image Graphics in Portland; and Sid Voorhies of Eugene.

Other top entries were submitted by Terry Isaac of Salem, Robert McGinnis of Gresham, and Wayne Dowdy of Bend. Honorable mentions



Darrell Davis of Hood River.

were awarded to Gerald Pettit of Ashland and Sheri Erickson of Portland.

Phearson's painting will be reproduced in a limited edition of 450 prints to be sold exclusively at Ducks Unlimited fund-raising events in 1988. A limited edition print of "Evening Sun" by Davis will be given to anyone who becomes a Sponsor of Oregon DU between now and next August. Sponsors are individuals or companies that contribute at least \$200 annually to Ducks Unlimited.

Phearson, who was runner-up in the 1985 DU contest, has been featured in Art West Magazine, Wildlife Art News and Northlight Magazine. She is a member of Wildlife Artists of the World and was recently selected as art show chairperson for the Pacific Flyway Decoy and Wildlife Art Show in Sacramento, Calif. She has held showings throughout the U.S. and

received a number of prestigious awards for her art work.

Davis, who was picked as one of the Ducks Unlimited companion artists in nationwide competition this year, was also a finalist in the state contest last year. He won the 1987 Oregon Wild Trout Stamp Competition and has placed in the finals of numerous stamp design contests in several states.



Judy Phearson of Klamath Falls

Ducks Unlimited, the world's largest waterfowl conservation organization, has a membership in excess of 600,000 including 9,000 in Oregon. Since its inception, DU has completed more than 3,200 wetland restoration projects in Canada, the U.S., and Mexico. The first Oregon project, located at Summer Lake, is scheduled to be completed this fall.

DU has spent over \$300 million during the past 50 years to improve or develop some 4,000,000 habitat acres for the continent's ducks, geese and other wildlife. In 1986 DU raised \$59 million for wetland habitat restoration and has set a \$66.7 million goal for 1987.

According to Green, the generous support of artists like Judy Phearson and Darrell Davis has contributed significantly to the organization's annual funding.

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(L-R): CDR D.J. Dewar, Jr., PO1 Thomas Hatch, Public Affairs Petty Officer; PO1 Val Kirkpatrick; LT Robert Tobey; LCDR Chuck Taylor, Enlisted Programs Officer; LT David Moss, Officer Programs Officer. Representatives of Navy Recruiting District, Portland, who attended the F.E.B. Hispanic Heritage Luncheon Sept. 16.

## Navy Recruiter Recently Honored

A U.S. Navy Recruiter — and Navy Recruiting District, Portland — were honored recently by the Portland Federal Executive Board at its annual Hispanic Heritage Luncheon held Sept. 16 at the Lloyd Center Red Lion Inn.

Petty Officer First Class Val A. Kirkpatrick, who runs a one-man recruiting station in McMinnville, Oregon, received an "Honor A Quien Honor Merece" (Honor To Whom Honor Is Due) individual category award.

He was recognized specifically for his achievements in Hispanic recruiting. He has singularly placed more Hispanic young people in the Navy than any other recruiter in the Portland Recruiting District, which, besides Oregon, includes Southwest Washington, Central and Southern Idaho, all of Utah, Western Wyoming and Eastern Nevada.

"Petty Officer Kirkpatrick is a superb recruiter," said LT Robert Tobey, the district's officer programs minority recruiting officer. "At every opportunity he emphasizes Hispanic employment opportunities to school counselors and at various class presentations. He makes himself available to Hispanic applicants by attending school sporting events and by visiting applicants' homes to ensure that their families are fully informed and supportive of their career decisions."

Petty Officer Kirkpatrick has been with the Portland Recruiting District since October 1984. Originally assigned in Salem, he also recruited out of the McMinnville station, a part-time operation at the time of his arrival. In October 1985, Petty Officer Kirkpatrick permanently transferred to McMinnville, a town of 15,000 located 30 miles southwest of Portland, to become its full-time Navy Recruiter.

The Navy Recruiting District, Portland received an agency category award which was presented to Commander Dorel J. "Rusty" Dewar, Jr., U.S. Navy, Commanding Officer of Navy Recruiting District, Portland. Mr. Paul M. Williamson, Chairman of the Portland Federal Executive Board, made the presentations.


Commander Dewar, in accepting the award in behalf of the entire command, stated he merely represented over 90 "dedicated and professional" Navy Recruiters in six states.

"Navy Recruiting District, Portland is committed to the Navy's Affirmative Action Program and has emphasized placing Hispanics in upward mobility positions within the Navy," said CDR Dewar.


As a result of this commitment, the Portland Recruiting District has placed over 300 percent of its enlisted Hispanic goal, and 400 percent of its officer Hispanic goal during the current fiscal year, which began Oct. 1, 1986 and ends this Sept. 30.

The District's recruiting success, as demonstrated by Petty Officer Kirkpatrick's outstanding efforts, is attributed to active involvement in Hispanic recruiting, providing programs which meet the needs and concerns of Hispanics, and ensuring that eligible Hispanics are made aware of employment opportunities available in the Navy.


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