

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY**

DEPT: AGING & VETERANS *mf*  
Urgent  Routine

BOARD AGENDA # \*A-11

AGENDA DATE APRIL 24, 2001

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO   
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF SENIOR AWARD RESOLUTIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND VETERANS SERVICES (AREA AGENCY ON AGING)/COMMISSION ON AGING SENIOR AWARENESS DAY ON MAY 5, 2001

**STAFF  
RECOMMEN-  
DATIONS:**

- 1) ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SENIOR AWARDS COMMITTEE FOR THE FIVE SENIOR AWARD RECIPIENTS (ONE FROM EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT).
- 2) EACH BOARD MEMBER IS REQUESTED TO BE AVAILABLE ON SENIOR AWARENESS DAY, SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2001, TO PRESENT THE SENIOR AWARD (RESOLUTION) TO THE RECIPIENT FROM HIS OR HER DISTRICT; SAMPLE RESOLUTIONS ARE ATTACHED.

**FISCAL  
IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact to the Area Agency on Aging's administration budget or to the County's General Fund. Staff time to coordinate this activity has already been included in this year's Senior Awareness Day operating budget.

**BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:**

**No. 2001-285**

On motion of Supervisor Simon , Seconded by Supervisor Mayfield  
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Mayfield, Simon, Caruso, and Chair Paul

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Blom

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1)  Approved as recommended

2)  Denied

3)  Approved as amended

Motion:

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

By: Christine Ferraro Deputy

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DISCUSSION: On January 23, 2001, the Board of Supervisors approved Senior Awareness activities on May 5, 2001 (Board Action Item 2001-38).

Traditionally, the members of the Board of Supervisors have participated by approving the Senior Award Committee's selection of winners, and Board members have presented resolutions to the outstanding senior from their respective districts. Approximate time for the Senior Awards ceremony on May 5, 2001 is 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Senior Award winners selected by the committee for 2001 are:

District 1	Betty Parker
District 2	Hilda Desper
District 3	Jim Allen
District 4	Melvin Brush
District 5	Wanda Hickey

The Board of Supervisors' participation and presentation of Senior Awards to their respective constituents has been a very meaningful part of the day for the Senior Award winners. Other dignitaries participate as well, which adds to the Board of Supervisors' recognition of these outstanding senior citizens.

A preliminary schedule of events includes:

8:30-11:30	Exhibits by senior organizations, service agencies and businesses
10:45-11:30	Entertainment
11:30-12:30	Chicken Lunch
12:30-1:30	Senior Awards Ceremony
1:30-3:00	Prize Drawing and Bingo
3:00	Closing

POLICY ISSUES: The Board of Supervisors' sponsorship of Senior Awareness activities recognizes the importance of senior residents in Stanislaus County and the contributions they make to the county's quality of life.

STAFFING IMPACT: None.

**IN RE: RECOGNIZING BETTY PARKER AS AN OUTSTANDING SENIOR  
CITIZEN OF DISTRICT 1, STANISLAUS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors wishes to acknowledge outstanding service and commitment to senior citizens and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Betty Parker walked the community of Empire, gathering signatures to successfully turn the site of the former Branch Library into a 'Tot Lot' (small park); and

WHEREAS, Betty was a monthly volunteer in the local food SHARE program when it was located in Empire, helping to box the food in preparation for pick-up by area residents; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker participates in the Healthy Start Program at Empire Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Betty serves as President of the Empire Women's Club, which raises funds to help support Faith Home Ranch; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Parker has recently been appointed to serve on the Stanislaus County Parks Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize BETTY PARKER as an outstanding senior citizen and thanks her for her very special contributions to the entire community of Empire and Stanislaus County.

**IN RE: RECOGNIZING HILDA DESPER AS AN OUTSTANDING SENIOR  
CITIZEN OF DISTRICT 2, STANISLAUS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors wishes to acknowledge outstanding service and commitment to senior citizens and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Hilda Desper is an 82-year-old who serves as a "floating" volunteer for The Salvation Army Senior Meal Program, traveling throughout Stanislaus County to whichever site needs her; and

WHEREAS, Hilda is a member of the The Salvation Army Turlock Corps Community Center Senior Leadership Team S.A.L.T. (Senior Adults Loving Together); and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Desper voluntarily and tirelessly sells hundreds of lunch tickets each year for the Annual Senior Awareness Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize HILDA DESPER as an outstanding senior citizen and thanks her for her very special contributions to the entire community of Turlock and Stanislaus County.

IN RE: RECOGNIZING JIM ALLEN AS AN OUTSTANDING SENIOR  
CITIZEN OF DISTRICT 3, STANISLAUS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors wishes to acknowledge outstanding service and commitment to senior citizens and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Jim Allen has served as a dedicated fund-raising volunteer with the Girl Scouts for 25 years, helping to develop "Taste of the Vine," a very successful premier wine-tasting event fundraiser that continues to grow each year; and

WHEREAS, Jim dedicates much of each year preparing for the Girl Scout Cookie Sale by sorting and counting the sales material for more than 350 troops (over 3,000 girls), and then greets the cookie managers at numerous trainings that are held throughout four counties; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allen staffs the "cookie cupboard" for over 100 local Troops when the actual sale begins, also making "cookie runs" to the locations in all four counties to restock if they run low; and

WHEREAS, after the cookie sale is over, Jim helps count out the incentives for each Girl Scout who reached her goal;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize JIM ALLEN as an outstanding senior citizen and thanks him for his very special contributions to the entire community of Modesto and Stanislaus County.

**IN RE: RECOGNIZING MELVIN BRUSH AS AN OUTSTANDING SENIOR  
CITIZEN OF DISTRICT 4, STANISLAUS COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors wishes to acknowledge outstanding service and commitment to senior citizens and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Melvin Brush has volunteered hundreds of hours serving in various positions with American Legion Post #74 of Modesto; and

WHEREAS, Melvin has been a member of the Honor Guard Detail for five years, helping to pay tribute to Veterans by serving on several hundred Funeral Details; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brush is an Executive Board member of Post #74, serving faithfully in their 40 / 8 Club, helping to raise money for nurses training at Modesto Junior College and funds for the Boys and Girls State program; and

WHEREAS, Melvin has been a member of the American Legion Color Guard for five years, helping lead the City of Modesto's July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade for the past several years, and also marching in the Veteran's Day Parade each November; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brush volunteers whenever possible in Centenary United Methodist Church's work-days and monthly yard sales;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize MELVIN BRUSH as an outstanding senior citizen and thanks him for his very special contributions to the entire community of Modesto and Stanislaus County.

IN RE: RECOGNIZING WANDA HICKEY AS AN OUTSTANDING SENIOR  
CITIZEN OF DISTRICT 5, STANISLAUS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors wishes to acknowledge outstanding service and commitment to senior citizens and the general public; and

WHEREAS, Wanda Hickey participated in the clean-up and paint-up of the City of Ceres in the early 1960's; and

WHEREAS, Wanda served as Co-President with her husband of the Ceres Parents Club during their children's school years, and also helped organize the Ceres Booster Club at Ceres High School; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hickey has held various offices in the Ceres Senior Citizens Club since 1981, also serving as Chairman for the Club's participation in the City of Ceres Halloween Safety Program for several years, and as Chairman for the Club's participation in the City of Ceres 'Christmas Tree Lane' opening in December, and as the Escort for the Club's bus tours for the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Wanda is actively involved in her church, and has prepared the weekly Church Bulletin for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hickey is a special reporter to the Ceres Courier for both the Ceres Senior Citizens Club and the Ceres Women's Club;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors does hereby recognize WANDA HICKEY as an outstanding senior citizen and thanks her for her very special contributions to the entire community of Ceres and Stanislaus County.