

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

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # \*A-4

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE November 5, 2013

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval of a Commendation for Harold Peterson Upon Being Named the American Legion, Post 74  
Citizen of the Year for 2013

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Commend Harold Peterson upon being named the American Legion, Post 74 Citizen of the Year for 2013.

Contact person: Christine Ferraro Tallman, Clerk of the Board

Telephone: 525-4494

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2013-568

On motion of Supervisor O'Brien, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow  
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Withrow, Monteith, De Martini and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) \_\_\_\_\_ Denied

3) \_\_\_\_\_ Approved as amended

4) \_\_\_\_\_ Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:

  
CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

# CITIZEN OF THE YEAR COMMITTEE YEAR 2013

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October 24, 2013

The Honorable Dick Monteith  
c/o Kacey Smith  
Board of Supervisors  
1010 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Modesto, CA 95354

Dear Dick:

We are delighted you can join us for the American Legion, Post 74 Citizen of the Year dinner and Veteran's Day observance, November 11.

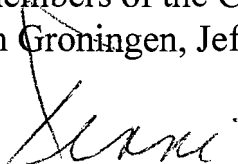
Our Citizen of the year for 2013 is Harold Peterson, former President/CEO of Community Hospice. We are enclosing the biographical information needed for a certificate honoring Harold.

The program will be held on Monday, November 11 at the American Legion Hall, 1001 S. Santa Cruz Avenue, Modesto. There will be a no-host social hour at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. The program begins at 8:00 p.m. Dinner tickets are \$10 and may be purchased at the door.

If you have any questions, please let Al Menshew (664-1599 or e-mail LOLOnal@aol.com) know. I am sure you join our committee in our enthusiastic support of our 2013 Citizen of the Year Harold Peterson.

Yours truly,

Al Menshew and members of the Citizen of the Year Committee: Peter Johansen, Tom Van Groningen, Jeff Cowan, Odessa Johnson, Kenni Friedman, and Ron Emerzian



## **BIOGRAPHY**

### **HAROLD A. PETERSON III**

From 1995 to June 2013, Harold A. Peterson III has been the President/Chief Executive Officer of Community Hospice, Inc. a non-profit standalone Medicare Certified hospice headquartered in Modesto, a branch office in Stockton, and a 16 bed inpatient facility, the Alexander Cohen Hospice House located in Hughson, California.

Community Hospice provided compassionate care to over 1800 patients last year and 260 patients on a daily basis. Beyond the medical and nursing care; the organization also provides bereavement support to anyone in the community who has lost a loved one. Additionally, Community Hospice operates 6 Hope Chest Thrift Stores, a logistics and recycling center, a durable medical equipment division, and the Community Hospice Foundation that raises additional funds to support the hospice mission.

During his tenure at Community Hospice, Harold was responsible for the construction of, start up and management of Samaritan Village, a senior community for over 300 residents.

Prior to coming to Community Hospice, Harold worked in a Fortune 500 food manufacturing company for 23 years holding positions from front line supervision to the last 7 years as a Senior Vice President – Distribution.

In addition to a busy work schedule, Harold has a history of active involvement in the community.

- 17 year member of Modesto Rotary
- Past Chair of the Stanislaus County Economic Development Company
- Past Chair of the Stanislaus County Private Industry Council
- Past Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of the Second Harvest Food Bank of Stanislaus and San Joaquin Counties
- Past member of the Board of Directors for the Hughson Chamber of Commerce
- Past Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors of the United Way of Stanislaus County.
- Past member of the Board of Directors of the California Hospice and Palliative Care Association (CHAPCA).
- Past Chair of the Tri Valley Credit Union and most recently a Supervisory Committee Member of the Community Trust Credit Union
- Graduate of the 1990 Modesto Chamber of Commerce Leadership Modesto

Acknowledgments for volunteerism include receiving the Hughson Business Man of the Year in 2008, J.C. Penney Golden Rule Award in 1995 and the United Way President's Award in 1994.

Harold and his wife, Kathy of 42 years have 3 grown sons and with their wives have 5 grandchildren. They live in Modesto, California and enjoy playing golf, travelling in their motor home to visit family and friends. Harold is a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War and holds a Bachelors Degree from the University of San Francisco in Organizational Behavior.

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