

THE 2022
**BUSINESS
AWARDS**

& INSTALLATION DINNER



HOLIDAY INN BUENA PARK
JUNE 23, 2022

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WELCOME!

Andrew W. Gregson, MBA
President & CEO
North Orange County Chamber



Thank you for joining us this evening, as we honor those who have contributed so much to the growth and well-being of our community and to witness our installation ceremony. And thank you for your support and membership, as you, too, are a vital part of our business community.

We are all here tonight because we believe in the power of business and the power of people coming together to achieve great things. We believe that by working together, we can build something meaningful and lasting, a legacy that will outlast us all.

I know you will continue to work hard to grow your businesses, create jobs, and strengthen our communities so that North Orange County can continue to thrive.

Enjoy this evening's program, and take full advantage of the Orange Carpet, I wish you a safe and uneventful journey home.

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PROGRAM

FLAG SALUTE

Sunny Park, Mayor, City of Buena Park

WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

*Andrew W. Gregson,
President & CEO*

North Orange County Chamber

DINNER

CHAMBER MESSAGE

April Barnes, Board Chair

Andrew W. Gregson, President & CEO

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

Dru Ann Copping,

Providence St. Jude Medical Center

Dr. Sueling Chen,

Arborland Education Center

2022 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Knott's Berry Farm

Providence St. Jude Medical Center

The Coder School

Rodeo 39 Public Market

SERVICE AWARD

Corey S. Sianez, Police Chief (Ret.)

Buena Park Police Department

CHARITABLE DONATION

Boys & Girls Club of Buena Park,

Fullerton, and Stanton

INSTALLATION OF 2022-23 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

David Shawver, Mayor, City of Stanton

CLOSING REMARKS

Andrew W. Gregson,

President & CEO

KNOTT'S BERRY FARM

City of Buena Park

Knott's Berry Farm is a world-renowned theme park built from the humblest of beginnings over 100 years ago. Starting with a simple roadside berry stand, then a restaurant serving mouthwatering chicken dinners, Walter and Cordelia Knott attracted long lines of customers to their Buena Park farm. To keep crowds entertained, the Knott family built an entire western-themed town that remains the heart of Knott's Berry Farm today. Anchored in its rich California history and charm, Knott's Berry Farm now bursts with attractions and entertainment for all ages, including first-class roller coasters and thrill rides, elaborate stage shows, interactive entertainment, and family friendly fun featuring Snoopy and the Peanuts Gang. To complete the family resort, the Knott's Soak City Waterpark and Knott's Hotel are located within walking distance of the theme park. Plus, true to its roots, Knott's continues to serve up delicious food creations that can only be found at Knott's Berry Farm— California's first theme park.

The logo for Knott's Berry Farm, featuring the word "Knott's" in a large, white, cursive font, with "BERRY FARM" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it, all set against a purple background.

PROVIDENCE ST. JUDE MEDICAL CENTER

City of Fullerton

For over 65 years, Providence St. Jude Medical Center has met the needs of the community by offering the highest quality care with compassion and respect. One of Southern California's most respected and technologically advanced hospitals, Providence St. Jude Medical Center is guided by their five core values: Compassion, Dignity, Excellence, Justice and Integrity. St. Jude is synonymous with exceptional care that extends beyond good medicine to a strong commitment to caring for those they serve.

During the unprecedented COVID-19 crisis, Providence hospitals and medical groups in Orange County provided peace of mind to those in need. Their vast network of caregivers and physicians are true heroes, who continuously work together to save lives and ensure a healthier Orange County in 2022 and beyond.

The logo for Providence St. Jude Medical Center, featuring a white cross symbol on the left, followed by the word "Providence" in a large, white, serif font, and "St. Jude Medical Center" in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it, all set against a purple background.

THE CODER SCHOOL

City of La Palma

The Coder School was opened by Dipali Patel, out of her passion to run a small business and provide a niche she didn't see in her community. As a tech recruiter, Dipali placed software developers in startups all across the nation. One consistent feedback she received from them was that they wished there was a coding school around when they were younger. When her sons expressed interest in coding, she was shocked to find that none existed. That's when the Coder School was put into motion.

The Coder School is a year-round, after-school enrichment program that teaches young students how to write computer software. Coding is a basic literacy in the digital age, and The Coder School provides the essential tools to teach kids the technology around them. Coding is the language of the future, and it fosters creativity, problem-solving, and logical thinking skills that transcends into occupations. They stand by their motto: *Learn to code, change the world®*.

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RODEO 39 PUBLIC MARKET

City of Stanton

Rodeo 39, a new public market in the City of Stanton, brings a unique community experience to Orange County. With expansive hangar doors that open up for an inside/outside setting, original artwork and murals from five different Southern California artists, and several first-to-market retail and restaurant concepts, it is a perfect place to gather.

Each of Rodeo 39's tenants is a robust mix with a lineup unlike any other in SoCal, including Stanton's first brewery, an on-site butcher shop, a full bar, a renowned tattoo parlor, a floral boutique, bakery, retro arcade, and more.

Rodeo 39 Public Market is redefining the retail scene by creating an experiential destination with elements of culinary, art, retail, entertainment, music, and culture. The name pays homage to Highway 39/Beach Blvd. and captures the exciting energy of a real rodeo - a gathering of people together, rounding up of good times.

Rodeo39
PUBLIC MARKET



SERVICE AWARD

COREY S. SIANEZ, POLICE CHIEF (RET.)

Buena Park Police Department

On March 11, 2011, the City of Buena Park appointed Corey S. Sianez as its ninth Chief of Police. A native Californian, Chief Sianez began his law enforcement career at the age of 21 with the Buena Park Police Department. He rose through the ranks serving in various specialized assignments. He served as Captain in both the Operations and Support Services Divisions and was the primary catalyst for completing the first Five-Year Strategic Plan in the history of the Department.

Chief Sianez was presented with Goldenwest College's Pillar of Achievement Award and the Soroptimist International Club's Love of Country Award.

He is a well-known, active member of the Buena Park Community, sitting as a Board Member for the Boys & Girls Club of Buena Park, as well as a member of the North Orange County Chamber of Commerce.

Chief Sianez is a Past-President of the Orange County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff's Association, is a member of the California Police Chiefs' Association, and is a member of both the Fullerton and Goldenwest Colleges Criminal Justice Advisory Committees.

In retirement, Chief Sianez looks forward to camping, traveling, playing golf, and spending more time with his family.



CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION

Boys & Girls Clubs of America

Part of North Orange County Chamber's vision is to be the leading advocate and resource for the business community. We recognize it is essential to give back to the same community that supports us. This year, our Education Foundation is donating to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Buena Park, Fullerton and Stanton.

The Boys & Girls Clubs are committed to making a difference in the lives of children. They believe in helping young ones reach their full potential through learning, growing, and having a sound support system. They provide a world-class Club Experience that assures success is within reach of every young person who enters their doors, with all members on track to graduate from high school with a plan for the future, demonstrate good character and citizenship, and live a healthy lifestyle.



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF AMERICA**



APRIL BARNES, MBA

*President, Vital Link
Board Chair, North Orange
County Chamber*

April Barnes is originally from Philadelphia but has embraced the California lifestyle. She has been in not-for-profit development management for over 15 years. She brings skills in brand development, marketing, logistics, and strategic planning to her new role as President of Vital Link, a nonprofit organization dedicated to preparing students for their future careers through experiential learning opportunities. In 2020, the Greater Irvine Chamber of Commerce recognized her as one of Orange County's Top 40 Leaders Under 40. She currently serves as the Board Chair for the North Orange County Chamber of Commerce. She has an M.B.A. degree from the University of Phoenix.



CHAMBER PRESIDENTS / CHAIRS 1894–2021

2021	April Barnes	1984	Chuck Munson	1949	C.C. Crew
2020	Dr. Cherry Li-Bugg	1983	Kathleen Lester	1948	Lloyd A. Ruitcel & F. Willard Nelson
2019	Michael Williams	1982	Ruby M. Rhea	1947	Frank C. Harrington
2018	Javier Solis	1981	Duane Howard	1946	R. M. Gregory
2017	Marty Burbank, JD, LLM	1980	Norman DeVilbliss	1945	Carroll D. Cone, Sr.
2015-16	Emily Grant	1979	Robert F. Clark	1944	Harold C. Peglar
2014	Chris Reese	1978	Dick Ackerman	1943	W. A. Batholomae
2013	Joyce Capelle	1977	Norman Leeper	1942	Thomas Eadington
2012	Rhonda Shader	1976	Jerry Christie	1941	William G. Stedman
2011	Gizi Clemmer	1975	Jerry Goodwin	1940	Verne Wilkinson
2010	Gary Graves	1974	C. Robert Hoertz	1939	Harry Smith
2009	Mark McGee	1973	Robert Bruechert	1938	Allen Compton
2008	Jennifer Fitzgerald	1972	James MacDonald	1937	Henry L. Parry
2007	Tina Javid	1971	Don Hopkins	1936	Harry Smith
2006	Robert V. Dolan, M.D.	1970	Glen Shaw	1935	Ralph Irwin
2005	Kevin Pendergraft	1969	James Lynch	1933-34	A. B. Hillabold
2004	Burnie Dunlap	1968	Merrill Braucht	1932	Thomas Eadington
2003	Linda Hawkins	1967	Robert L. Nease	1931	Thomas E. Taylor
2002	Louis Koff	1966	Philip L. Martin	1930	W. H. Wickett
2001	Scott Dowds	1965	Daniel W. Holden	1929	A. R. Volk
2000	William Heaton	1964	Marvine Gade	1928	Robert Strain
1999	Craig Brown	1963	William McGarvey, Jr.	1927	R. S. Gregory
1998	Jim Alexander	1962	Robert Reid	1926	F.C. Drause & Dale R. King
1997	Kathy Allred	1961	D. Russell Parks	1925	J. Charles Thamer
1996	Shirley Thiele	1960	Claire Stull	1921-24	K. C. Drause
1995	Dick Jones, M.D.	1959	Paul Hughes	1917-20	R. S. Gregory
1994	Terry Kerry	1958	James Walraven	1916	A. Pritchard
1993	Carl Camp	1957	Roy Harvill	1914-15	W. A. Skillman
1992	Tom O'Neil	1956	George Delahanty	1908-10	E. S. Richman
1991	Gene Fredricks	1955	George Klimpel	1907	Dr. William Freeman
1990	Dan Baker	1954	Duane Winters	1905-07	W.W. Kerr
1989	Lee Myhre	1953	Judge Lloyd S. Verry	1902-04	W. T. Brown
1988	Susan Mitchell	1952	George P. Johnson & H.H. Kohlenberger	1894-95	A. McDermott
1987	Richard Boyle				
1986	Bob Langraf	1951	Verne P. Maple		
1985	Bob Von Esch, Jr.	1950	Cal Demarest		

PAST HONOREES 1989–2018

2018	Cal State Fullerton St. Jude Medical Center Polly's Pies Congressman Ed Royce	2010	All Pro Builders, Inc. Jones & Mayer Pacific Community Credit Union YMCA of North OC	1999	Cal State Fullerton D'Ann Interiors Farmers & Merchants
2017	Angelo's and Vinci's Ristorante Nutralite Plasticolor Rowntree Gardens W-Power	2009	All Blue Print, Inc. Beverly Thomson MG Disposal Muckenthaler Cultural Center Mulberry Street Ristorante	1998	Hinda Incentives Kimberly-Clark Corp. Southern California College of Optometry
2016	CJ Foods Dena David, Vino Nostra EDCO Esterline Powers System The Olde Ship Scott Dowds	2008	Avonmore Café Hidalgo Crittenton Services Fullerton Community Bank Shirley Thiele	1997	Costco Wholesale Eclectic Associates Winkelmann Realty
2015	Assistance League of Fullerton Bourbon Street Bar & Grill Fullerton Photographics PacMin Patty's Cake and Desserts	2007	Alcoa Fastening Systems Brian's Beer & Billiards Kruger Litho J.H. Richey St. Jude Medical Center	1996	CG Designs Concepts Downey Savings & Loan Fullerton College
2014	Colette's Catering Corporal John DeCaprio Popular Community Bank Richey Advisors, Inc. YWCA of North Orange County	2006	F.I.S.H. of Fullerton Jack Franklyn Kraft Foods Sunny Hills Orthopedic Services Trainweb.com	1995	Florence Crittenton Services. Von Esch, Jr. and Assoc. Yosemite Waters
2013	Kimberly-Clark Corporation Redefining Divorce Summit House Restaurant Woman's Club of Fullerton	2004	311S Heroes Bar & Grill Hydraflow	1994	Fullerton Savings & Loan Just Delicious Gourmet Weber Aircraft
2012	Arborland Montessori Joe Lins Morningside of Fullerton My Fit Life WTLC	2003	Hope International University Pav-Kote Sinclair Chiropractic	1993	Aviation Facilities, Inc. Beckman Instruments Fullerton Civic Light Opera
2011	Bootlegger's Brewery Emergency Services Fullerton Interfaith McAulay & Wallace Mortuary Jim Williams Yokohama Tire Corporation	2002	Century 21 Discovery Related Visual The Earl's Plumbing	1992	Hughes Aircraft Co. Loma Vista Nursery Pioneer Bank
		2001	Pacific Community Credit Union Park Vista The Cellar	1991	Giovanni's Pizza Hunt-Wesson, Inc M.G. Disposal
		2000	Café Hidalgo McCoy Mills Ford Sam's Club	1990	Diamond Trophy McGarvey-Clark Realty St. Jude Hospital
				1989	Kaynar Manufacturing Fullerton Mfg. Co. Waste Water Disposal Co.

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