

**WBEA**  
2015-2016

# *Award Recipients*



**Lōkahi**  
United on the journey to success  
Waikiki, Hawaii  
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## **PRESIDENT'S AWARD**

### **Della Anderson**



Annually the WBEA President has the honor of selecting one person for the President's Award. Throughout my educational career, I have had the good fortune to meet many outstanding individuals who have taken the time to befriend, support, and mentor me.

This year, it is my pleasure to present the President's Award to Della Anderson. As the Director for the Office of Planning, Policy, and Assessment (OPPA), Della provided me with an opportunity to head up a special project to mentor a team of upcoming leaders at Leeward Community College. This experience was a rare opportunity to work with some outstanding individuals; and in turn, instilled in me a renewed excitement as an educator as I helped mentor our future leaders. Through special training sessions, the knowledge gained also prepared me for my upcoming presidency.

Although I knew Della was extremely busy as an administrator, I asked her to be a co-chair for the WBEA/HBEA 2016 Conference. Without hesitation, Della said "yes". Della is a leader that is always willing to go the extra mile, share her knowledge, and help others. She always has a positive attitude and cheerful disposition.

As incoming WBEA President, it was my responsibility to fill the vacant committee director positions. I recall Della asking me what she could do to help. At first, I thought she was trying to help me think of individuals that I could ask to be a director. To my delight and surprise, Della was offering to become the Telecommunications Director. Throughout the year, Della has been working with various IT faculty to help create an updated WBEA website. In addition, she has been working tirelessly to plan this conference.

I still recall when Della first starting teaching Accounting at Leeward CC. We went out to lunch and then shopped at Nordstrom. Definitely a smart shopper with good taste in stores! Throughout the years, Della has become a good friend, mentor, and supporter. For her support during my year as WBEA President, it is my pleasure and honor to present Della Anderson with the WBEA 2016 President's Award.

**Presented by Kay Fujimoto Ono, 2015-2016 WBEA President**



# WBEA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

## Ken Kuhn



Ken's legacy in WBEA is extensive and will be remembered for years to come! Ken is very deserving of the Outstanding Business Educator Distinguished Service Award for everything he has contributed to the success of WBEA. As WBEA President, Ken thought of and developed a successful business partnership with nine different businesses /sponsors. He added their contact links on the WBEA webpage. Their links on the WBEA website offered our members access to various teaching lesson aids and links to great teacher benefits.

Ken initiated a "Friends of WBEA" program that brought in 107 members last year who would not have joined as NBEA/WBEA members. This program offered an alternative for people who did not want to join or didn't have any affiliation with the NBEA but wanted to be associated with the WBEA region, the WBEA Conferences, and the WNE Newsletter to keep informed.

As WBEA Newsletter Editor, Ken added advertising to the newsletter that brought in over \$10,000 in revenue over the last 5 years and also highlighted good business contacts for our members in the advertising. The WNE Newsletter was acclaimed many times by the NBEA Executive as the top newsletter in any of the NBEA regions for its outstanding articles and format.

In addition, he wrote many, many articles in the WNE Newsletter to share professional development teaching ideas for our members and has written articles for the NBEA FORUM magazine.

Ken reached out to new members by sending the newsletter electronically to an e-mail list he had accumulated from attending conferences in Montana, Oregon, Idaho, BC, Arizona, and California.

And finally, he shares his teaching skills with WBEA members by offering many conference workshops over the last thirty years.

***Congratulations Ken Kuhn!***

## **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR POSTSECONDARY**

### **Robert “Bobby” Yamane**



Robert “Bobby” Yamane demonstrates integrity and dedication to the University of Hawai‘i Community Colleges system.

Bobby is chair of the Business Technology Program Coordinating Council (Since 2010) for the UH community colleges where he guides the system of UH business technology programs forward in a systematic and articulated fashion. As the chair of the program coordinating council, he has organized and tracked the progress of system-wide course articulations for several classes and is well respected by his teaching colleagues as well as college and system-level administrators who work with him.

Bobby is hardworking and dedicated to making sure that the business curriculum at Hawaii Community College is strong and healthy. He works all programs, bringing them together and coordinates their curriculum, assessment, and marketing efforts. Mrs. Joni Onishi, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, states, “Bobby is conscientious in all his undertakings and gives it his 110 percent. He has deservedly earned the respect of students and colleagues.” Bobby not only serves the business education division but also works with the college on many different committees both as chair/facilitator and as a committee member to support students in their efforts to achieve educational success.

Outside of the classroom, Bobby currently serves as president of the Hawai‘i Community College Alumni and Friends organization and has been involved with the group since its inception 20 years ago. He spearheads several efforts to raise scholarship and endowment funds. Bobby’s goal is to, “make a difference in the lives of our students, their families, and our entire island.” Everybody who associates with Mr. Robert “Bobby” Yamane agrees that, “You can hear his heart and spirit in all his efforts!”

***Congratulations Robert “Bobby” Yamane!***

**OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR  
POSTSECONDARY  
JOANNE OSGOOD**



Joanne Osgood is currently a professor of Business & Office Technologies at Chaffey College in California.

Joanne is a master teacher who has gained an esteemed reputation as an expert who leads students to outstanding proficiency. She has taught at numerous schools, including Chaffey College, Saddleback College, Cypress College, Santa Ana College, Golden West College, and Coastline College. Those are just the few in California! Her legacy of successful students span from California to New York,

where Joanne first began her teacher career.

Joanne enjoys exceptional rapport with students and clearly makes positive and meaningful differences in their successes as students and future career technical employees. Joanne is superbly effective in the classroom. She delivers lectures with clarity. Her classes are well organized and students appreciate her dedication to them and the profession. Students are fortunate to work with Joanne.

Joanne's involvement in all her board positions shows her dedication to Business Education. She has been an icon at CBEA, WBEA, NBEA, BESAC, and ISBE conferences since 2000. Joanne does not just sit back and attend the conferences, she is either recruiting at the ISBE membership table or facilitating a great breakout session. Joanne gives beyond the call of duty. Joanne truly believes that she must remain current and up to date in the field of Business Education. She does this by actively participating in professional organizations, regularly attending conferences, hosting workshops, and attending professional development training sessions.

Several of Joanne's colleges and friends state, "There is no doubt in our minds that Ms. Joanne Osgood deserves the most prestigious award WBEA has to offer, Outstanding Business Educator - Postsecondary!"

***Congratulations Joanne Osgood!***

## OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATOR HIGH SCHOOL

### Elaine Stedman



Elaine Stedman has been a long time supporter of business education. For the past 36 years she has taught business classes at Sidney High School in Sidney, Montana. She currently also shares her wealth knowledge as a teacher at Montana Digital Academy and as an adjunct professor at Dawson Community College.

Elaine is involved in local, regional, and national organizations; she is active in her community and recently accepted the position of CFO of the Sidney Boys and Girls Club; and she has abundant leadership experience in Business Professionals of America (PBA).

According to Eric Swenson, Elaine's Business Education Specialist for the Montana Office of Public Instruction, "Mrs. Elaine Stedman is truly one of a kind. She teaches full time, serves as a local BPA chapter advisor, is a board member of two national-level professional organizations, is an executive director of a local Boys and Girls Club, is a wife, a mother, a grandmother, and most important a dear friend to all who know her. Her character, determination, drive, leadership, and passion is inspirational and mind-boggling. Her compassion for education, her students, fellow teachers, and her community can never be matched and are an inspiration to all who know her and who have the privilege to work with her. She fights for what she knows is right, she fights for the rights of her students and does so with an open mind, open heart, and the desire to make sure they are all "life" ready. Mrs. Elaine Stedman is more than a Teacher of the Year; she is the *Teacher of a Lifetime* for the many lives she has touched. The Montana Business Education Association is extremely proud and honored to have a professional of such a high caliber in our family."

***Congratulations Elaine Stedman!***



**ROBERT J. THOMPSON**

**WBEA MEMBERSHIP AWARD**

This award is presented to the S/T/P Membership Director who reaches the highest percentage of the NBEA membership goal on June 30 of the previous year and has complied with all director responsibilities.

**Jenny Miller, Idaho**

June 30, 2015



**S/T/P COMMUNICATION RECOGNITION PROGRAM**

WBEA recognizes S/T/Ps for their excellence in communication and publications. This July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015, award is designed to encourage contact with every member on a regular basis, promote professional and educational opportunities, and serve as a support network among S/T/P membership.

<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Editor</u></b>	<b><u>S/T/P</u></b>
<i>The Bulletin</i>	Luke Freeman	CBEA
<i>OBEA Bulletin</i>	Sue Van Meter	OBEA

*Congratulations Sue Van Meter and the Oregon Business Education Association!*  
*Congratulations Luke Freeman and the California Business Education Association*

# PREVIOUS OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EDUCATORS

## Junior High

1993	Cindi Sorensen, WA
1994	Linda James, UT
1995	Colleen Richardson, UT
1999	Janet Leatham, UT
2000	Marie Mortensen, UT
2002	Jackie Floetke, WA
2005	Tara Haslam, UT
2013	Julie G. Thorngren, UT
2014	Keith C. Hannah, WA

## High School

1991	Kathleen Richards, UT
1992	Cynthia Denton, MT
1993	Rita Figlenski, WA
1994	Marilyn Bennion, UT
1995	Linda Montanaro, AZ
1996	Valerie Abbott, OR
1997	Arlinda Carlson, MT
1998	Joyce Johnson, AZ
1999	George Borg, WA
2000	Mark Branger, MT
2001	Susan Boothe, UT
2002	Christi Pilcher, MT
2003	Joe McFarland, CA
2004	Pauline Newton, CA
2005	Teresa Wood, OR
2006	Toni C. Simmons, UT
2007	Eileen Wascisin, WA
2008	Jon R. Abel, OR
2009	Tacey Keylon, ID
2010	Eric Swenson, MT
2011	Ken Kuhn, BC
2012	Kimberly Gregory, WA
2013	Christine Liebelt-Garcia, AZ
2014	Martin Runge, BC
2015	Tina L. Fulks, NV

## **Career and Technical Student**

### Organization Advisor

2007	Jean Hyde, WA
2008	Colleen Vawdrey, UT
2009	Kathleen O'Brien, ID
2010	Alden A. Talbot, UT
2011	Marjorie Carlilie, UT
2012	Lucille Brizzee, UT
2013	Laura Hilzendeger, WA
2014	Dr. Brenda Jacobsen, ID
2015	Scott E. Anderson, MT

## Postsecondary

1991	Carol Hinricher, MT
1992	Joan Ryan, OR
1993	Janece Connor, WA
1994	Mary O. Fury, WA
1995	Colleen Vawdrey, UT
1996	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1997	Karen Jolly, OR
1998	Jean Hara, HI
1999	Kyle Saunders, UT
2000	Wayne Franks, OR
2001	Jane Thompson, CA
2002	Carol Jordan, OR
2003	Kay Fujimoto-Ono, HI
2004	Patricia Lewis, OR
2006	Della Kunimune, HI
2007	Roy Kamida, HI
2008	Michale J. Batali, WA
2010	Joyce T. Porter, UT
2011	Twila Lehman, OR
2012	Lance Wrzesinski, WA
2013	Roietta Fulgham, CA
2014	Linda Snider, CA
2015	Nancy Noe, WA
2015	Theresa M. Savarese, CA

## Collegiate/University

1991	Lloyd Bartholome, UT
1993	V. Wayne Klemin, WA
1994	H. Robert Stocker, UT
1995	Billie Herrin, MT
1996	Margaret Beilke, WA
1997	Doris Williamson, UT
1998	Robert Gryder, AZ
1999	Alden Talbot, UT
2000	Pamela Weigand, WA
2001	Ross Byrd, WA
2002	Dennis LaBonty, UT
2003	Greg Colf, UT
2004	Colleen Vawdrey, UT
2005	Allyson Saunders, UT
2006	Joseph Otto, CA
2009	Cynthia O. Krebs, UT
2011	Dennis Garner, UT
2012	Diana J. Green, UT



## **PREVIOUS WBEA AWARD WINNERS**

### **Distinguished Service**

1984	Robert J. Thompson, CA	1999	Sue Trautwein, OR
1985	May Oka, OR	2000	Bernice Collins, CA
1986	Dr. H. Robert Stocker, UT	2001	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1987	Dr. Lloyd Bartholome, UT	2002	Helen Humbert, WA
1988	Evelyn Schemmel, HI	2003	Pauline Newton, CA
1989	Kathleen Richards, UT	2004	Dr. Alden A. Talbot, UT
1990	Dr. James L. Young, AZ	2005	Marty McFarland, CA
1991	Georgina Seals, OR	2006	Rita Figlenski, WA
1992	Jeanette Bieber-Moses, MT	2007	Kay Fujimoto Ono, HI
1993	George Borg, WA	2008	Joseph B. McFarland, CA
1994	Dr. V. Wayne Klemin, WA	2010	Eric Swenson, MT
1995	Jane Thompson, CA	2011	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1996	Dr. Ross Byrd, WA	2013	Kris Sheets, AZ
1997	Ginny Held, OR	2014	Jackie Floetke, WA
1998	Dr. Colleen Vawdrey, UT	2015	Eileen J. Wascisin, WA

### **Robert J. Thompson Membership Achievement Award**

1987	Eileen Aaberge, MT	2001	Julie O'Dell, MT
1988	Sheila Crosmer, MT	2002	Denise Carlson, MT
1989	Dr. Robert Gryder, AZ	2003	Stanley May, HI
1990	Dee Hartman, ID	2004	Eric Swenson, MT
1991	Nevada	2005	Lue Ann Amburn, NV
1992	Mary O Fury, WA	2006	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1993	Clair Schenk, UT	2007	Eric Swenson, MT
1994	Sue Van Meter, OR	2008	Michael Haney, NV
1995	Clair Schenk, UT	2009	Roy Davis, ID
1996	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2010	Kristen Stuart, NV
1997	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2011	Linda Cotton, MT
1998	Arlinda Carlson, MT	2012	Linda Colton, MT
1999	Jill Meyer, WA	2013	Linda Colton, MT
2000	Julie O'Dell, MT	2014	Sherry Stidhum, NV

## WESTERN BUSINESS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION PAST PRESIDENTS

1950-51	Theodore Yerian, OR	1982-83	May Oka, OR
1951-52	Marsdon Sherman, CA	1983-84	H. Robert Stocker, UT
1952-53	Evan Croft, UT	1984-85	Lloyd W. Bartholome, UT
1953-54	Eugene Kosy, WA	1985-86	Evelyn Schemmel, HI
1954-55	Edwin Swanson, CA	1986-87	Jeanette Bieber-Moses, MT
1955-56	Verner Dotson, WA	1987-88	James Young, AZ
1956-57	Jessie Black, UT	1988-89	Mike Hovey, ID
1957-58	Mary Alice Wittenberg, CA	1989-90	Kathleen Richards, UT
1958-59	Clisby Edlefsen, ID	1990-91	Ross Byrd, WA
1959-60	Ralph Asmus, AZ	1991-92	Jane Thompson, CA
1960-61	Edith Smith, OR	1992-93	Colleen Vawdrey, UT
1961-62	Laura Lynn Straub, CA	1993-94	Sue Trautwein, OR
1962-63	Frances Brown, WA	1994-95	George Borg, WA
1963-64	Dean Peterson*/ G.W. (Jim) Maxwell, CA	1995-96	William (Bill) Neal, HI
1964-65	John Lin, CA	1996-97	Billie Herrin, MT
1965-66	Leonard Carpenter, OR	1997-98	James Young, AZ
1966-67	George Dunn, AZ	1998-99	Roger Rankin, ID
1967-68	Robert Rose, ID	1999-00	Mary Ann Lammers, OR
1968-69	Ted Ivarie, UT	2000-01	Helen Humbert, WA
1969-70	Ray Christopherson, WA	2001-02	Pauline Newton, CA
1970-71	Robert Thompson, CA	2002-03	Alden Talbot, UT
1971-72	Ted Stoddard, UT	2003-04	Nancy Noe, OR
1972-73	Howard Jones, OR	2004-05	Joseph McFarland, CA
1973-74	John Chrape, HI	2005-06	Jean Matsui Hara, HI
1974-75	Daniel Hertz, MT	2006-07	Julie O'Dell, MT
1975-76	James Manos, CA	2007-08	Kris Sheets, AZ
1976-77	Lohnie Boggs, AZ	2008-09	Angie Neal, ID
1977-78	Mona Noble, ID	2009-10	Eileen Wascisin, WA
1978-79	Ed Goodin, NV	2010-11	Jackie Floetke, WA
1979-80	Kenneth McDonald, WA	2011-12	Roietta Fulgham, CA
1980-81	Georgiale Smithpeters, WA	2012-13	Greg Colf, UT
1981-82	G.W. (Jim) Maxwell, CA	2013-14	Christy Ekroth, OR
		2014-15	Ken Kuhn, BC

\*Dean Peterson was elected but did not assume the president's position.

## **WBEA 2015-2016 Executive Board**

Kay Fujimoto Ono, President  
Elaine Stedman, President-Elect  
Dr. Brenda Jacobsen, Treasurer  
Janie McFarland, Secretary  
Ken Kuhn, Past President  
Roietta Fulgham, NBEA Representative

## **Standing Committee Directors**

Kristina Yamada, Awards Director  
Tina Fulks, Legislative Liaison  
Linda Snider, Membership Director  
Chris Liebelt-Garcia, Newsletter Editor  
Roietta Fulgham, Professional Development Director  
Della Anderson, Telecommunications Director

## **Ex-Officio Members**

ISBE Representative  
Dr. Jan Treichel, NBEA Executive Director  
Robert B. Blair, NBEA President

## **Board Members**

Julie Ellis, Arizona President  
Rebecca McGinnis, Arizona President-Elect  
Martin Runge, British Columbia President  
Karen O'Connor, California President  
Bob Livingston, California President-Elect  
Cheryl Fuji'i, Hawai'i President  
Mark Langerbacher, Hawai'i President-Elect  
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Chad Eichenlaub, Montana President-Elect  
Gabriel Silva, Nevada President  
Kim McCoy, Nevada President-Elect  
Nancy Noe, Oregon President  
Nancy Peterson, Oregon President-Elect  
Shawn Pike, Utah President  
Kenny Assmus, Utah President-Elect  
Keith Hannah, Washington State President  
Ariel Dykstra, Washington State President-Elect