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“Good Egg” Award Nominations Due February 11

Do you know a person who helps us all remember Petaluma’s heritage and how proud we should be of Petaluma and Petalumans’ contributions to our lives?

The Butter & Egg Days Parade is looking for a Good Egg who has done just that.

This award was started 28 years ago to honor the people who work to keep Petaluma’s history alive for all of us. The Good Egg is introduced at Butter & Egg Days Opening Ceremonies which will be held this year on Saturday, April 9, at Noon at the Petaluma Historical Museum. The Good Egg will also ride in the Butter & Egg Days Parade on Saturday, April 16.

The Good Egg Award is presented annually to a Petaluma citizen whose "egg-ceptional" effort over time

has helped preserve, promote and contribute to the positive promotion of the city of Petaluma, its history and its people.

The Good Egg Award is an honor created by The Butter and Egg Days Committee to recognize a legacy of positive promotion begun by booster Bert Kerrigan. Kerrigan worked from 1918 to 1926 to establish international recognition of Petaluma as a center of commerce and agriculture. Mr. Kerrigan’s promotion of Petaluma included the famous National Egg Days celebrations, which inspired the creation of the Butter and Egg Days event. Kerrigan brought Petaluma fame with the phrase “The World’s Egg Basket.”

To nominate a “Good Egg,” send a nomination form or letter to: The Good Egg Award Committee,

c/o Petaluma Downtown Association, 210 Lakeville Street, Petaluma, CA, 94952. All applications must be received by Friday, February 11 at 5 PM.

Your letter should identify how your prospective Good Egg has helped to preserve Petaluma history, helped others to remember and honor historic Petalumans or Petaluma achievements, or helped to promote Petaluma history within the community or beyond. This needs to be someone who has contributed to the preservation or promotion of Petaluma’s

history, not someone who has contributed in other ways.

You can use the nomination form on this page. To have a nomination form mailed to you, call the Butter & Egg Days Parade office at 707.763.0344. You can also pick up Good Egg Nomination Forms at the Petaluma Downtown Association Office at 210 Lakeville Street (Visitors Center) or at the Chamber of Commerce. You can also download one at petalumadowntown.com/ButterAndEggDaysParade.aspx.

volunteer, Petaluma tourism activist and promoter

1995 Pennylee Christensen and Karen Nau, River Festival and Adobe Fiesta Organizers

1996 Mike Gerke, downtown businessman, community volunteer

1997 Ross Parkerson, preservationist, noted artist of historic locations

1998 Alice Forsyth, long time event coordinator and co-founder Butter and Egg Days

1999 Mayor M. Patricia Hilligoss, advocate for history of Petaluma, Mayor 1987-1998, Citizen of the year 1978

2000 Kathleen Schmelz, promoter of local history, tireless volunteer, museum docent

2001 Izzie Barlas, poultry industry leader, WWII Veteran, Community Ambassador

2002 Fred Schram, President of Heritage Homes of Petaluma and docent for Petaluma Adobe

2003 Susan Warren Villa, Petaluma Museum Association president, and Petaluma advocate

2004 Katie Watts, Argus-Courier columnist

2005 Bill Hammerman, Petalumans of Yesteryear

2006 Lucy Kortum, local advocate and historian

2007 Katherine Rinehart, local historian and author

2008 Don Bennett, Petaluma promoter, author, and activist

2009 Kathy Fries, coordinator of the Petaluma Historical Library & Musuem

2010 Harlan Osborne, writer and columnist

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1983 Adair Heig (now Lara), Author of “A History of Petaluma, A River Town”

1984 Bill Soberanes, Argus Courier columnist, Founder of World Championship Wrist Wrestling

1985 Skip Sommer, Historic Great Petaluma Mill Developer

1986 Ron Walters, KTOB radio personality, performer

1987 Debi Riddle, preservationist, Heritage Homes President

1988 Linda Buffo, longtime Butter and Egg Days Steering Committee Chair

1989 Bill Rhodes, River Festival Founder

1990 Bob McLaughlin, longtime Petaluma River advocate

1991 Ed Fratini, local historian and archivist

1992 Ed Mannion, Argus Courier columnist, Petaluma historian & collector (awarded posthumously)

1993 Terri Hohener, founder Miss Petaluma Ambassador Program

1994 Marcie Becker,



Good Egg Nomination Form

Please type, or print clearly

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The goal of The Good Egg award program is to encourage all citizens to become advocates of the unique qualities of Petaluma and to act as ambassadors for the value Petaluma’s history has in our day to day lives. the Good Egg should be an eggceptional role model for this.

Name Of The Good Egg Candidate: _____

Name Of Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Day Phone Number Of Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Phone Number of Nominee: _____

How has this potential Good Egg helped to preserve Petaluma history?

How has this potential Good Egg helped others to remember and honor historic Petalumans or historic Petaluma achievements?

How has this potential Good Egg helped to promote Petaluma history in the community and beyond?

RETURN THIS FORM BY 5 P.M. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11 TO
 Good Egg Committee, c/o Petaluma Downtown Association
 210 Lakeville Street, Petaluma, CA 94952 or e-mail to Marie@petalumadowntown.com
If necessary, you may include one, single-sided extra page.
Longer applications will be discarded.