

Evanston honors 14 top volunteers

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Over 100 community members attended the 11th annual Evanston Volunteer Recognition Reception at Northwestern University's Norris University Center on April 29.

The program, which recognized the contributions of 14 exceptional local citizens, began with music by the Michael Werner Quartet. The evening's keynote speaker was Patrick Keenan-Devlin, deputy director/staff attorney at the James B. Moran Center for Youth Advocacy.

Helping present awards were Eric Witherspoon, superintendent of Evanston Township High School District 202, Todd Adams of Northwestern University and Sara Schastok of the Evanston Community Foundation.

2015 Outstanding Volunteers from Evanston Township High School included: Olasumbo Babalolo, Daniel DeLara, Nina Kaushikkar and Judith Roeder.

Northwestern University award recipients included: Frankie Hamburger, Kevin Harris, Paige Ottmar, Leidamarie Tirado-Lee and Jarrell Williams.

Community recipients included Kristian Harris, Betsy Lehman-Levisay, Denise Martin, John Mrockza and Tom Williams.

Specially recognized was Northwestern University's Special Assistant for Community Relations Lucile Krasnow, who has overseen the growth of the reception since its inception. Krasnow will step down from the event's planning committee to enjoy retirement after 15 years as Northwestern University's liaison with Evanston city government, school districts, and business and community groups.

The recognition event was sponsored by Northwestern University, <http://www.northwestern.edu> the Evanston Community Foundation, evanstonforever.org Evanston Township High School, <http://www.eths.k12.il.us> and the City of Evanston, cityofevanston.org.

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