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For the Good of the City Recognition of Police Officer of the Year, New OPD Officers, and Mayor's Architectural Award Winners



The City of Orinda welcomes its newest police officers. From left: Chief Jennings; new Officers Ken Rosenbaum and Paul Schwind; Officer Maynard Patacsil; new Reserve Officer Bryan Walley; Officer Mike Gray; Sergeant Mohammed Djajakusuma; new Officers Dustin Gregory and Lisa Cook (front). Photos Ohlen Alexander



"Mike is very talented; he's one of the people I can always rely on," said Orinda Police Department Chief Jeffrey Jennings as he presented Mike Gray with the 2012 Orinda Police Officer of the Year Award at the Dec. 4 Orinda City Council meeting.



Mayor Glazer congratulates Cathy and Derek Stein, owners of the property recognized Dec. 4 with the 2012 Mayor's Award for Architecture - New Residence. The new home has also been honored with a merit award from the American Society of Landscape Architects.



Spring Verity and her family were presented with the 2012 Mayor's Award for Architecture - Environmental Sustainability Dec. 4. Their rear yard cottage restoration made something old quite new and exciting again by combining energy efficient features with repurposed roof tiles, wood doors, and redwood siding.



Karp and Ivry score again. Their latest restaurant, Theatre Square's popular Barbacoa, received the 2012 Mayor's Architectural Award for Downtown Improvement Projects.



"Among Orinda's many blessings are its tireless garden club volunteers," said Orinda Planning Director Emmanuel Ursu in announcing the Community Beautification Award to the Orinda Garden Club. Members undertook restoration of Lake Cascade to honor the Garden Club of America's 100th anniversary. Project coordinators Diana Kennedy and Joan Andrews were on hand to receive the award from Mayor Steve Glazer.

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