

Order of the Oak

(formally Order of the Garter)

The Shady Ladies, WCISA's spouses' auxiliary group, had convened at the Annual Conference for over 65 years. Their award, the Knight of the Garter, was first presented in 1951. In 1995, the award was renamed the Order of the Garter. The program was sunsetted in 2021.

In honor of our 90th anniversary (2024), the WCISA Board brought back an old tradition with a new twist. The Order of the Garter has become the Order of the Oak. This distinction will be chosen by the conference attendees. An oak is often used as a symbol to describe someone who is congenial, helpful and kind just like an oak tree. This person is strong and reliable, providing support and shelter to those around them.

1951	Walter Morrow	Portland	1987	Alex Shigo	Santa Cruz
1951	Riley Stevens	Portland	1988	Leslie Mayne	Tucson
1952	M. Van Rensselaer	Pasadena	1989	Al Remyn	Oakland
1953	William Siden	Santa Monica	1990	Sam Noonan	Sparks
1954	Ray Hartman	Oakland	1991	Dan Condon	Modesto
1955	L.C. Chadwick	Santa Barbara	1992	CJ Pilkerton	Newport Beach
1955	Pierre Miller	Santa Barbara	1993	Margaret Griffin	Santa Clara
1956	Roger F. Sohner	Palo Alto	1994	Robert Berlin	Scottsdale
1957	Woodbridge Metcalf	Yosemite	1995	Rose Epperson	Monterey
1958	Victor Anderson	Disneyland	1996	Linda Meyer	Honolulu
1959	Percy Everett	San Francisco	1997	Bailey Hudson	Anaheim
1960	C. Elmer Lee	Long Beach	1998	Robert Phillips	Yosemite
1961	John Neill	Vancouver	1999	Bill Spiewak	Oxnard
1962	Millard Blair	San Francisco	2000	Ron Orist	Maui
1962	Paul Tilford	San Francisco	2001	Torrey Young	Modesto
1963	Ray Morgan	Las Vegas	2002	Jack Brazeal	San Pedro
1964	Ed Price	Seattle	2003	Doreen Orist	Las Vegas
1965	Keith Davey	Santa Barbara	2004	Cindy McCall	Clearlake
1966	Horace Bosworth	Fresno	2004	Joseph Schneider	Clearlake
1966	Kenneth Hadland	Fresno	2005	Juan Barba	Phoenix
1966	O.J. Anderson	Fresno	2006	Robert Tate	Santa Monica
1967	William Griffin	San Diego	2007	NA	Honolulu
1968	Eugene S. Cox	Phoenix	2008	Ray Morneau	San Jose
1969	Allen H. Reid	Portland	2009	Jim Skiera	Reno
1969	Noel B. Wysong	Portland	2009	Steve Nimz	Reno
1970	Robert Berlin	Pasadena	2010	Al Epperson	Tucson
1971	Brian Fewer	San Francisco	2011	Carl Mellinger	San Diego
1972	William T. Bell	Eugene	2012	John Traverso	Pacific Grove
1972	Jack A. Kimmel	Eugene	2013	Helen Stone	Indian Wells
1973	R. Larry Rowse	Salt Lake City	2014	Andy Trotter	Pasadena
1974	Jack Rogers	Monterey	2015	Doug Anderson	Fish Camp
1975	Robert E. Pletcher	Palm Springs	2016	Philip Ruiz	Anaheim
1976	Clark O. Eads	San Jose	2017	Bruce Hagen	San Diego
1977	Roger Garrigue	San Diego	2018	Chad Brey	Santa Rosa
1978	Robert Mazany	Portland	2019	Dennis Swartzell	Honolulu
1979	Charles Mathias	Long Beach	2020	NA	Virtual
1980	John C. Phillips	Honolulu	2021	NA	Virtual
1981	Richard W. Harris	Davis	2022	NA	Oakland
1982	Austin B. Carroll	Santa Barbara	2023	NA	Olympic Valley
1983	Donald F. Blair	Anaheim	2024	Karina Nordbak	San Diego
1984	Barry Konier	Palo Alto	2025	Justin Barrios	Tucson
1985	Kenneth D. Meyer	Universal City			
1986	Michael Hutnick	Palm Springs			
1987	Vernon Roberts	Santa Cruz			

