

International Center volunteers receive UCSD Chancellor's awards for outstanding contributions

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Eight volunteers who contributed their time through the International Center at the University of California, San Diego were honored with Chancellor's Awards during the center's recent annual meeting.

Associate vice chancellor Ted Peck presented the awards on behalf of the chancellor. The honorees were selected from more than 900 volunteers who serve the International Center. This year's recipients include:

^ Diane Lin, who died this winter, cited as "Friends of the International Center Member of the Year" for her myriad contributions to the Friends.

^ Zonta Club of La Jolla, named "Organization of the Year" for its strong and continuous support of international exchange. (The club founded the International Center.)

^ Odette Mikhail, honored as "New Volunteer of the Year" for her participation in Wednesday coffees, the Friends' Resale Shop, the child-free group, and for preparing an Egyptian luncheon at a Friends' international gathering.

^ Nona Mathews, cited as "Tutor of the Year" for her commitment to her students, helping them perfect their English and maneuver within American culture.

^ Diane Lin, and Gary and Dylan Cox, "Host Family of the Year," for going the extra mile for their international guests, and for the Coxes continuing as a host family after the unexpected death of Diane Lin in February.

^ David Moren, named "Study Abroad Returnee of the Year" for his commitment to working with students following his return from a year's study on the UC Education Abroad Program in Italy.

^ Peter Kruse, a graduate student from Germany, cited as "International Club Member of the Year" for his contributions to the International Club and international and cultural exchange at UCSD.

^ Christian Kunau-Rehling, honored as "International Visitor of the Year." She and her husband Peter Rehling, a molecular biologist at UCSD, are here for their second year, visiting from Germany.

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