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## **Oro Valley Library Names Gerdes Volunteer of the Year**

**ORO VALLEY, AZ (March 7, 2008)** — The Oro Valley Public Library has named Marjorie Gerdes it's volunteer of the year for 2007. Gerdes was recognized at the organization's annual volunteer appreciation dinner held Feb. 29 at the library.

"Marjorie has served on every major committee and board associated with our library, and was here long before there was bricks and mortar," say Oro Valley Mayor Paul Loomis. "No task is too large or too small for her to do. She deserves this recognition, along with our gratitude for her years of service."

Gerdes helped to found the Friends of the Oro Valley Public Library in 2001 and has served in various positions on that board, including her second term as president in 2007. She works on the annual Book Sale committee, and "anywhere else she is needed," said Library Administrator Mary Hartz-Musgrave.

Volunteers who donated 100 hours or more were also recognized. They were:

JoAnn Dumas	275 hours
Hal Tiedemann	218 hours
Darlene Fall	155 hours
Marcia Jones	142.50 hours
Ethel Haber	134.50 hours
Selma Landsberg	115.75 hours
Ann Maly	111 hours
Ethel Gillicoatt	106.15 hours
Jan De Keyser	106 hours
Richard Ng	101.26 hours
Doug Forester	100.50 hours

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Four student volunteers were recognized for their volunteer contributions. They were:

Riley Durkin	79.75 hours
Sierra Fung	43.00 hours
James Padron	39.75 hours
Dolaphine Kwok	38.15 hours

A total of 10,160.12 hours were donated by more than 900 volunteers in 2007. These include 157 youth volunteers and 770 adult volunteers. Volunteers saved the library nearly \$104,000 in resources last year.

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