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County Seeks Big Chainring Award Nominees

Do you know someone who helps make Deschutes County communities healthier by improving bicycling and walking conditions or encouraging people to walk and ride their bikes?

The Deschutes County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) is seeking nominations for the 2016 Big Chainring awards. Since 1996, the award program has recognized businesses, agencies and individuals who make significant contributions to improving bicycling and walking conditions and encouraging people to walk and ride bikes.

Award categories include:

- Public Agency
- Nonprofit Organization
- Individual
- Special Project
- Commercial Business
- Advocacy/Group
- Lifetime Achievement Award
- The Peter Hanson Memorial Award, which honors individuals in the community who have provided outstanding *voluntary* contributions. Peter was a Committee member that lost his battle with cancer in 2005. His volunteer contributions are in many trail building, environmental and outdoor enthusiast projects throughout our communities.

The BPAC will select winners for the 2016 awards in May.

In 2015, winners included Phyllis Lewis – “Peter Hanson Memorial Award”; Bob Haas – “Individual”; and the City of Sisters – “Public Agency.”

Nomination forms can be obtained on the Committee’s website at www.deschutes.org/cd/page/bpac-awards-and-recognition.

Nominations, including a brief description of the nominee’s accomplishments, are due Tuesday, May 3 to:

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About the BPAC: *The BPAC is an advisory committee of the Deschutes County Commission and seeks to improve conditions for bicyclists and pedestrians*

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