

Sue Gwin

QUOTA INTERNATIONAL OF SIOUX CITY

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Past President Sue Gwin of Sioux City epitomizes what it means to be a Quotarian. She has heart. She has spirit. She has enthusiasm.

Since joining Quota after early retirement in 2005, Sue has immersed herself in our service projects, taking on a number of leadership roles. Additionally, Quota is not the only place where she shares her numerous talents.

Her motto is, "Give generously from your heart with your wealth, and of your time."

In Quota, Sue has served on our service committees and worked her way up to serve as our president during the 2008-2009 Quota year. She crafts gorgeous scrapbooks to give to our past presidents each year.

On Dec. 9th, Sue organized our combined Holiday Luncheon and in-house Club Auction, which raised more than \$2,000, a club record. Those funds help finance our internal operations.

Also in December, she made a beautiful wreath for our club to donate to the Sioux City Jaycees, which holds an annual auction to benefit a different nonprofit each year. Sue used a snowman theme that aptly said, "Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow - but Somewhere Else!" More than \$20,000 was raised to benefit Women Aware, an agency our club supports, which assists disadvantaged women.

She co-directed our annual "Signing Santa" Dec. 7 in which our club retains a "Santa" who can sign to deaf children in our community - the first of its kind in the country. The event generated news stories on television stations and the Sioux City Journal. She helped at our August "Camp Q," a camp for deaf children. One year, she made individual scrap books for each child.

She is a prominent volunteer in our club's major fundraiser, the annual Tour of Gardens. This past summer, Sue attended Quota International's convention in Vancouver with our President, Lois Boone.

At St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, Sue is vice president of the hospital auxiliary. At Whitfield United Methodist Church, Sue is head of the church's board, takes communion to shut-ins and is involved in fund-raising projects for mission work.

For the Abu Bekr Shrine, Sue and her husband, Bob, drive children to Minneapolis to the Shriner's Hospital. She is past president of Eastern Star and president-elect of her PEO Chapter. In summary, Sue gets it done - and makes people smile!