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Scottsdale chamber announces 2013 History Hall of Fame inductees

The Scottsdale Area Chamber of Commerce will honor its four inductees into the Scottsdale History Hall of Fame during an annual dinner event planned for April 23.

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Each year the Past Presidents' Council of the Scottsdale Area Chamber of Commerce honors four individuals and one nonprofit organization at the Hall of Fame dinner.

Over the past 19 years, the council has selected 115 past and present Scottsdale personalities and organizations to induct into the Scottsdale's History Hall of Fame. Inductees have contributed immeasurably to the rich heritage of Scottsdale, dating back to its modern-day founding in 1888 by Army Chaplain Winfield Scott.

The 2013 inductees:

John Berry: Active in the community since his days at Kaibab Elementary and Scottsdale High School in the 1960s and 1970s, premier land use attorney John Berry has helped shape Scottsdale's evolution.

He's been involved in the zoning for SkySong, Mayo Clinic and Troon, as well as numerous sites in the downtown area that have enhanced Scottsdale's economy and quality of life. He has chaired the Scottsdale Cultural Council and has served on numerous city, civic and educational boards.

Mark Eberle's decades of leadership have ensured that Henry & Horne became a leading accounting firm in Arizona and a great place to work. He has helped countless Scottsdale area clients grow their businesses and navigate their personal accounting needs.

He served on the Scottsdale Chamber board for 20 years -- as chairman of the board, and as a key advocate for airpark businesses and entrepreneurs. He's served on the Scottsdale/Paradise Valley YMCA board and as an advisor to Scottsdale Leadership.

Janie Ellis: After an early career as a ballerina in New York City, Janie Ellis came home to Scottsdale to choreograph a wide variety of creative and performing arts ventures from her family enclave known as Cattle Track. She's staged many historic events in Scottsdale, expanded the Cattle Track area to accommodate artists, architects, performers and other artisans, and volunteered in numerous arts organizations in Scottsdale.

Eileen Rogers: For over 30 years, Eileen Rogers has owned and operated Allegra Print & Imaging in downtown Scottsdale, making it one of the top franchises in the country. She's used her business leadership and marketing skills to serve on dozens of Scottsdale and Valley municipal, business and non-profit boards.

She chaired the Scottsdale Human Services Commission, served on the board of the Scottsdale Chamber, and created a valley-wide annual Diaper Drive to benefit Homeward Bound.

Scottsdale Railroad and Mechanical Society: Founded by Guy Stillman in 1971, the Scottsdale Railroad and Mechanical Society is a nonprofit that raises funds and supports programs at Scottsdale's McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park.

Through the volunteer efforts of its board, philanthropic partners and members, the society has provided and supported the trainthemed and historic attractions at the park, as well as playground equipment, accessible facilities, a model railroad facility and annual events.

The dinner takes place 5:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, at Chaparral Suites Resort & Conference Center, 5001 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale.

Tickets \$60 per person; a table of 10 is \$600. Call Leslie Nyquist at 480-355-2704.