

January 25, 2023 2023 Trailblazer Award



Ruth Caldwell – 2023 Trailblazer Award Recipient

Annually our hiking club, through its Board, determines a recipient for the prestigious Trailblazer award. This recognition goes to a member “For meritorious service above and beyond simply being a member of the hiking club, for performing duties greater than expected, and for exhibiting leadership that we all admire.”

At its January 25 meeting, the Board unanimously agreed that Ruth Caldwell should be honored as this year’s Trailblazer. Ruth’s contributions to the Club over many years epitomizes the award’s definition. In addition to her other Club work, Ruth has been Associate Chief Guide, Chief Guide, one of our most popular everyday guides, an instructor in the annual guide first aid class, a trip organizer, a mentor to guides and hikers, a blazer of new hiking trails, and currently serves as Club Vice President. Per our bylaws, Ruth will become President of the Club next month.



The photo is of Ruth standing by the Trailblazer plaque, which is located at the bottom of the stairs next to the HOA1 Pro Shop. Her name was recently added. If you are in the area, stop by and look at the names on the plaque; they represent the past and current leadership of our great Club. And when you next see Ruth, please congratulate her for her meritorious service and the 2023 Trailblazer award.