

# *Women of Distinction*

32nd Annual Celebration

*Honoring:*



*Krista Escamilla*



*Cathy George*



*Valerie Sparks*



*Dr. Reagan Viney*

March 22, 2024  
Petroleum Club of Midland



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# Invest in our Girls

Proceeds from the Women of Distinction event provides scholarships and leadership experiences for girls.

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## Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:  
To serve God and my country,  
To help people at all times,  
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

## Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be  
honest and fair,  
friendly and helpful,  
considerate and caring,  
courageous and strong,  
and responsible for what I say and do,  
and to respect myself and others,  
respect authority,  
use resources wisely,  
make the world a better place,  
and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

**“Thank you honorees  
for all you do for  
our community.”  
Catherine & Brandon  
Bredemeyer**

**“Congratulations  
to the 2024  
Women of Distinction!”  
Ms. Betty Ann Prentice  
& Ms. Ann Parish**



## Program

<b>Welcome</b>	Haleigh Green
<b>Invocation</b>	Carol Ann Hunt
<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Patty Craven
<b>National Council Session Overview</b>	Lynda Lou Valerio
<b>Grace: Johnny Appleseed</b>	Girl Scouts
<b>Dinner is Served</b>	
<b>Sponsor Appreciation</b>	Thais Ahlstrand
<b>Award Presentation</b>	Krista Escamilla presented by Elizabeth Inskeep Cathy George presented by Natalie Alvarado Valerie Sparks presented by Haleigh Green Dr. Reagan Viney presented by Lynda Lou Valerio
<b>Recognitions</b>	Thais Ahlstrand
<b>Silent Auction</b>	<b>Bidding Closes</b>
<b>Live Auction</b>	Patty Craven



# Midland Women's Clinic

# Mistresses of Ceremony

Natalie Alvarado  
Individually Registered Girl, Odessa

Haleigh Green  
Troop 38823, Midland

Elizabeth Inskeep  
Troop 29777, Midland

Lynda Lou Valerio  
Troop 58551, El Paso

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**The Personnel Professionals**

# *Krista Escamilla*



Krista Escamilla is a wife, mom of four, business owner and encourager. Krista owns Rig-ID Workwear with her husband Al, she is also the award-winning Host of The Krista Escamilla Show Podcast with almost 30 years of experience as a journalist.

The Krista Escamilla show is a weekly dose of motivation as her guests share their inspirational stories. Krista also highlights our community, pays it forward and (her favorite goal) makes you smile.

Krista was voted the Gold Winner as the Best Talk Show Host For The Midland-Reporter Telegram Readers Choice awards in August of 2023. In 2010 she was recognized for fair and balanced reporting by the Midland Independent School District and honored by the state of Texas as a member of the Media Honor Roll.

Krista is also an Associated Press award winning journalist for her spot coverage of two major West Texas news stories, the search for Little Destiny and The Alon Refinery Explosion.

Krista and her co-host Greg Morgan had the number one morning show in West Texas from 2006 - 2016.

Her greatest joy is being wife and mom of Austin, Aspen, Alexandria and Alex.

# *Cathy George*



Cathy George has worked in the staffing industry for over 30 years. She launched her own business in 1988, C.G. & Company in Odessa, Texas.

In the early 1990's Cathy expanded her business to include a temporary division and started brokering for Professional Employer Organization (PEO)/employee leasing. During this time, she also became active in the Permian Basin Association of Personnel Consultants (PBAPC), serving as the President for two terms. She earned her Certified Personnel Consultant (CPC) credentials in 1993, which enabled Cathy to become Education Chair of the PBAPC.

In 1994, Cathy expanded the office to include a worldwide Executive Recruiting division. C. G. & Company opened an office in Dallas in 1997 followed by an Austin office in June 2000. She was nominated to the board and soon elected President of the Texas Association of Personnel Consultants. Cathy has also served on the board as District IX Director (Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Louisiana) for the National Association of Personnel Services.

Cathy makes time available to speak to businesses, social and school groups to present the importance of proactive career planning, talent acquisition, and the human resource issues that affect the organization in today's business climate. Cathy currently sits on the University of Texas Permian Basin Presidents Advisory Board, Southwest Heritage Credit Union Board as the Secretary and is a member of the Loan Committee. Cathy has been on the Board of Odessa Links Homeless Coalition for over 15 years as well as volunteers her time to different non-profit organizations in her community.

Cathy loves to travel internationally. She loves to learn about the cultures of the different countries she travels to, and to make friends all over the world.



# *Valerie Sparks*



Valerie Sparks (Johannsen) was born and raised in Harlan, Iowa. Growing up she participated in Girl Scouts, her church youth group, band, cheerleading, tennis, and Rainbow Girls. During high school, Val was a member of the medical explorers always wanting to be a nurse. Graduating from Harlan Community High School, Val attended the University of Nebraska – Lincoln, College of Nursing. She earned her associate degree and became a registered nurse in 1981. She then graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska.

Looking for a new adventure, Val was recruited by Midland Memorial Hospital (MMH) in 1983. Val has been a registered nurse for 42 years and is currently the Infection Preventionist at MMH, a position she has held for 33 years. She received her Master of Nursing in Surveillance and Epidemiology (2014) from American Sentinel University and has been certified in Infection Control for 32 years. During the Covid pandemic, Val was instrumental in organizing community mass vaccination clinics and assisting the steering committee for Midland Memorial to be able to care for our community and the region in the safest possible manner. Val was recognized in 2021 as a Permian Basin Great 25 Nurse, the MMH Nightingale Award, and a Daisy Team Award. In 2022, Val was awarded with a Daisy Lifetime Award for her dedication and service to the nursing profession.

Val's community service includes PTA boards, band, and football boosters, currently serving as board member of Children Community Clinic, Manor Park, and Live on Stage. Val and her husband Jeff have been supportive of High Sky Children's Ranch, March of Dimes, Gladney Adoption Center, University of Texas College of Engineering, University of Nebraska College of Nursing, First Baptist Church, Midland Memorial Hospital, and many more nonprofits within the community. Val has been the bride of Jeff Sparks for 39 years. She and Jeff have 4 adult children and loves being "Gigi" to eight grandkids.

## *Dr. Reagan Viney*



Reagan is an Obstetrician Gynecologist with Midland Women's Clinic. She became interested in healthcare at a very young age. Many after-school hours were spent at her father's general surgery office which her mother managed. Between doing homework and after-school activities, she learned how to do many of the behind-the-scenes jobs. It was no surprise to her family when she decided to go into medicine. Reagan graduated from Lee High School and went on to attend Texas A&M University. She returned to West Texas for medical school attending Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, where during her third year she discovered her love for women's health and surgery. After graduation Reagan moved

to Richmond, Virginia where she completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Medical College of Virginia. There she met and married her husband, Aaron, a Urologist.

Community service has always been an integral part of Reagan's life. Growing up in Midland she was very involved in her church and service organizations, but Girl Scouts was her primary focus. Reagan's troop was very active in the Girl Scout Council enabling her to earn both her Silver and Gold Awards. During her senior year of high school, she led 2 troops for underserved girls and mentored parents to assume leadership when she moved on to college. While at A&M Reagan was active in the Aggie community including the Aggie Girl Scouts. During medical school, she participated in mission trips to border communities in Mexico and volunteered with Girl Scout programs in Lubbock.

Returning to Midland in 2011, Reagan and her husband, Aaron, set to work building their practices and starting their family. They have three children: Hayden, Ainsley, and Leyton. Initially struggling to find balance in being present for her family as well as taking care of her patients, Reagan made the decision to focus on Gynecology, giving her

## *Dr. Reagan Viney*

more time with her family. As a physician, Reagan enjoys caring for women throughout all stages of their life and using her skills as a surgeon to improve her patient's quality of life.

As a mom of three children, Reagan has been very active in their education and supportive of their outside interests. She volunteers at chess club with Hillander School, teaches first grade religious education at St. Anns Catholic Church, leads the Wolf Den for Cub Scout Pack 3, and helps in many roles with her children's sports teams. Reagan's biggest volunteer commitment is with Girl Scouts. She leads a Junior Troop of sixteen 4th graders who keep her very busy with all their plans and goals. They are currently working on their Bronze Award projects, planning their end of the year campout, and determining which badges they would like to earn next! Reagan recently has taken on a new role as the co-manager of the Emerald Service Unit in Midland. Between her work as a physician, her volunteer activities, and her family, Reagan stays very busy and fulfilled.



**“Congratulations  
to all of the  
Women of Distinction.  
So proud of you Reagan!”  
Shelton and JoAnn Viney**



# Great Western Drilling Company



**Congratulations Sweetheart!**  
**I'm proud of you.**  
**Love, Jeff**

You can make  
a difference.

Volunteer with  
Girl Scouts.





## Honoring Women

Each of these women have been recognized by the community for being a leader, role model, mentor or someone who goes above and beyond regularly. Please thank them for all they do.

### **In Memory of Ms. Kristen Craven**

**Ms. Audrey Curry**

**Ms. Krista Escamilla**

**Ms. Cathy George**

**Ms. Katherine Prementine**

**Ms. Valerie Sparks**

**Dr. Reagan Viney**



## Live Auction Donors & Items

### Callender's Gallery & Framing



*The Starry Nights of Summer photo on canvas  
Size 40" x 60" Limited Edition - #21/150  
Photo by Bob Callender*

### Cathy Eastham Fine Jewelry



*Marika Desert Gold 14KT Yellow Gold Dome Circle  
Bracelet Featuring  
1 Pave Diamond Station Weighing a Total of 0.32cts*

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**CHEVROLET OF ODESSA**

# Live Auction Donors & Items

Folger Galleries



*"Frosty Morning - Warm Frost" by Don Sahli  
10" x 10" original oil painting*

Thais Ahlstrand



*"Good Moooooning" by Thais Ahlstrand  
8.5" x 11" original painting*



# Live Auction Items



Enjoy lovely tropical beaches, grand adventures, the wonders of nature, and scintillating culture-all the necessary components of an ideal vacation or holiday. No wonder thousands have made Costa Rica their top travel choice! Costa Rica is a rugged, rain-forested Central American country with coastlines on the Caribbean and Pacific and is known for its beaches, volcanoes, and biodiversity. Roughly a quarter of its area is made up of protected jungle teeming with wildlife, including spider monkeys and quetzal birds!

## Package Includes:

- ◆5-night all-inclusive for 2 adults at a beachfront resort
- ◆All meals, drinks, gratuities, and non-motorized sports
- ◆Multiple resorts to choose from in Costa Rica



# Live Auction Items



The winner chooses the destination!

## **JAMAICA ALL - INCLUSIVE**

- ◆ 5 nights for 2 adults
- ◆ Accommodations at a beachfront resort in Montego Bay
- ◆ All meals, drinks (including alcohol), gratuities, and non motorized activities included

## **SEDONA**

- ◆ 3 nights for 2 adults at the Wilde Resort & Spa
- ◆ Helicopter tour OR Jeep tour

## **TUSCANY + WINE**

- ◆ 6 nights for 2 adults at a Private apartment in Cortona, Italy
- ◆ 6 bottles of Tuscan wine shipped directly to your home
- ◆ Dinner show & wine for 2 by a private chef
- ◆ Wine education and local wine tasting with four varieties of local wines

## **KENTUCKY BOURBON EXPERIENCE**

- ◆ 3 nights for 2 adults in Lexington, KY
- ◆ Guided tour of 3 local distilleries
- ◆ Dinner at Jeff Ruby Steakhouse

## Thank You to Our Silent Auction Donors

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& west texas

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