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Riverside couple presented with Distinguished Humanitarian Award

LOMA LINDA, CA – June 2, 2016 – Graduates of Loma Linda University School of Medicine weren't the only individuals called to the stage during commencement ceremonies Sunday, May 29. Steve and Cathy Kienle of Walter's Automotive Group were awarded with the Distinguished



Humanitarian Award for their exemplary service and philanthropy, as well as for inspiring and challenging others to model the mission of Loma Linda University Health (LLUH).

"As difference makers, the Kienles have helped Loma Linda University Health serve its mission," said Ronald Carter, PhD, provost Loma Linda University, who presented the couple with their award, along with LLUH president Richard H Hart, MD, DrPH and Roger Hadley, MD, dean, LLU School of Medicine.

As true champions for children, the Kienles have, for the past 20 years, hosted the annual Walter's Children's Charity Classic benefiting Loma Linda University Children's Hospital. The event has raised over \$4 million, supporting a broad spectrum of critical areas. They have also committed funding to LLUH's philanthropic campaign Vision 2020, specifically for the Children's Hospital expansion.

"It's inspiring to see the passion the doctors, nurses and staff at the hospital show for their young patients," said Mrs. Kienle, "a passion to serve and help, which is contagious."

Mr. Kienle humbly stated that their benevolence wouldn't be possible if it weren't for the generous sponsors of the Walter's Charity Children's Classic. "It's awesome to see the community come together to fulfill a mission of helping and healing children."

Also presented with the Distinguished Humanitarian Award were Stater Bros. Charities and Markets. Please refer to separate release for details.

PHOTO CAPTION: Steve and Cathy Kienle (right) of Walter's Automotive Group were presented with the Distinguished Humanitarian Award at the LLU School of Medicine graduation ceremony

Sunday, May 29. From left, Drs. Roger Hadley and Richard H. Hart presented the couple with their award.

About Loma Linda University Health

Loma Linda University Health includes Loma Linda University's eight professional schools, Loma Linda University Medical Center's six hospitals and more than 900 faculty physicians located in the Inland Empire of Southern California. Established in 1905, Loma Linda University Health is a global leader in education, research and clinical care. It offers over 100 academic programs and provides quality health care to 40,000 inpatients and 1.5 million outpatients each year. A Seventh-day Adventist organization, Loma Linda University Health is a faith-based health system with a mission "to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ."

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