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Wildworks is a 501(c)(3) organization founded to provide lifetime quality care for non-releasable wild animals and to engender public respect and concern for wildlife and habitat through the presentation of outreach programs and publications



GENEROUS SPIRIT

Michael Matkins is a founding partner of the law firm Allen Matkins Leck Gamble Mallory & Natsis LLP. He is also one of the country's leading experts in real estate development and finance. But he is much more than that. He is a man of generous spirit, with a genuine concern for aspects outside of his business. He has received The Help For Children Humanitarian Award in recognition of his outstanding efforts on behalf of children, and he has been individually honored as Man of the Year by The Boy Scouts of America for his many contributions. However, it is as a longtime supporter of The Nature of Wildworks, its animals, and its educational outreach programs, that we know Michael Matkins and his wife, Terry, best.

In addition to her involvement with the Grosvenor Council and the National Geographic Society, Terry Matkins has for the last six years donated her time and expertise as Wildworks' official photographer. The Nature of Wildworks' fundraiser honoring Terry and showcasing her photographs was our highest grossing event ever. Now, the Matkins have topped even that. Thanks to Michael, who has been instrumental in obtaining several substantial donations for The Nature of Wildworks, our wildlife center is able to pursue important new and ongoing projects.



MICHAEL & TERRY MATKINS

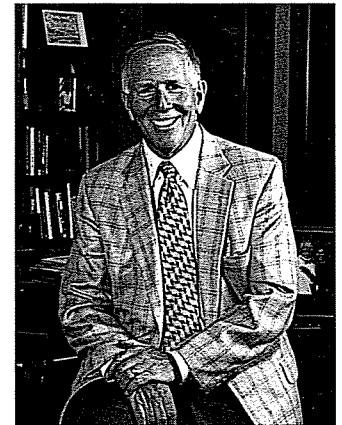


EUNICE GOODAN & PHOENIX

After a successful real estate venture using the expertise of Michael Matkins, Mrs. Eunice Goodan asked Michael to recommend a non-profit organization where her donation would have an impact. It was Michael who suggested that she make her donation to The Nature of Wildworks. Mrs. Goodan has always been involved and interested in children's education. As a docent at the Natural History Museum, it was giving tours to the children that she enjoyed most. Additionally, she was on the board of Marlboro School and is currently on the Board of Overseers at Huntington Gardens. Her very generous donation will go toward the care of our animals and for additional educational programs for schools and children who otherwise could not afford to see our wonderful animals and learn what it means to protect our wild friends.

A second substantial donation was received from Michael Dermody and will start our Capital Campaign for a new, permanent wildlife education center. This new center will include natural habitats for our wild residents, native botanical gardens and an amphitheater for onsite educational presentations. The center will allow The Nature of Wildworks to fully realize its mission to educate and promote an understanding of our California wildlife and their natural habitats.

Michael Dermody is Chairman and CEO of DP Partners/Dermody Properties, a national industrial development company located in Reno, Nevada. Recently Michael Matkins represented Mr. Dermody in the completion of a major real estate transaction. In presenting his donation he stated "All of us at Dermody Properties are honored to support The Nature of Wildworks as a way of showing our gratitude to Michael and the entire Allen Matkins' team. And we congratulate Mollie Hogan and the Matkins' family for helping us all further understand California wildlife and its habitat." A cornerstone of Mr. Dermody's career has been his deep commitment to organizations benefiting children. In 1985, he founded the Children's Cabinet, which today serves 7,000 children and families in northern Nevada. And in 1998, he founded Sage Ridge School, the Reno area's only independent secondary school.



MICHAEL DERMODY

We are grateful for the supportive, generous spirit of people like Terry and Michael Matkins who are helping The Nature of Wildworks realize its dreams. We thank Mrs. Eunice Goodan, Mr. Michael Dermody, and especially Michael and Terry Matkins for their thoughtfulness, kindness, and generosity to The Nature of Wildworks.