

**ALUMNA OF THE YEAR**  
Yuba College  
**Carol (Popovich) Ramirez**  
Spring 2008

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Carol (Popovich) Ramirez has been a highly successful and visible figure in the Yuba-Sutter area throughout her adult life. As the biographic sketch that follows indicates, Carol's talents and energies have extended to a breadth of professional, civic and charitable concerns – all of which have blossomed and flourished under her guidance.



**PROFESSIONAL:**

Marysville Recreation Department (1972-1984):

Carol started the Marysville Recreation Department, developed her post there, and carried it through to maturity until leaving in 1984.

Gottschalks (1990-1994): Event Coordinator for Gottschalks. Created "Made in USA" fashion shows as well as the "Hi Debs," a program to teach high school girls how to model and merchandise clothing.

Century 21 Select (1990-1994): Realtor.

Sutter North Medical Foundation (1994-1998): Director of Community Relations and Marketing. Helped to develop Elementary School medical clinics, breast cancer support groups, and the Business Community Health Care Partnership Group.

Fremont-Rideout Foundation (1998-Present): Director and now Vice President, Community Relations and Marketing. Responsible for the development of fund-raising programs aimed at improving services to patients at all Fremont-Rideout facilities.

**EDUCATION:**

Elementary School – Central Gaither, Yuba City, CA

High School – Yuba City High School (1968)

### College

- Yuba College – Associate of Sciences Degree (1970)
- CSU Chico – Baccalaureate Degree (1972) *Recreation Administration*

### **CIVIC/CHARITABLE/SERVICE** (Selective):

Yuba City Rotary – President (2003) – Sacramento Valley Rotary Club of the Year during her tenure as President. Second female president in Club's (then) 49-year history.

Pink October – Board Member (Current). Major annual fund-raiser for American Cancer Society.

Umpqua Bank – Board of Directors, Yuba City (Current)

Yuba Sutter Regional Arts Council – Member (Current)

Fremont Rideout Health Group – Community Action Committee (Current)

Biggs-Gridley Memorial Hospital – Board of Directors (Current)

City of Yuba City – Centennial Committee (Current)

### **AWARDS** (Selective):

Athena Award (1996) – Prestigious local award to individuals who “strive for the highest levels of professional and personal accomplishment.”

Yuba College Hall of Fame (1999)– Selected for role as cheerleader to the 1969 State Championship football team.

Beale AFB (2007) – Inducted into the 9<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Wing Honorary Commanders Program

### **FAMILY:**

Married to Rory Ramirez of Marysville since 1974. Rory recently completed a term as Mayor of Yuba City. They have four sons; Jeremy, Nathan, Gabriel and Kalob