

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS GUIDELINES

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER: Each local RTA may nominate one Indiana Retired Teacher Association member as its exemplary volunteer of the year. The nominee must be a retired educator and a member of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association as well as the local RTA. (NOTE: IRTA is not the same organization as ISTA or ISTAR.) Please check eligibility before making your nomination. It will save all of us time and trouble. In making nominations, special attention should be given to the number of volunteer hours, the variety of leadership, assistance and service(s) being performed, and the overall significance and impact their volunteerism is making in the community. Nominations must be submitted on the appropriate form using the nominee's full legal name and a written description **must** be submitted on the form for the candidate to be considered. **The application may contain no more than 400 words.** All nominees meeting the guidelines will be recognized at the Representative Assembly with a special award certificate. From those nominated, one member from each area will be selected to receive the **AMBA Clock Award**. A member who has previously been awarded a clock is **not** eligible to win a second time.

From these nominees, we hope to find the one member who has displayed volunteer service worthy of representing the State of Indiana as our nomination for the **NRTA Volunteer of the Year**. This nominee for the National "With Our Youth" Award should have spent extensive time as a volunteer with youth.

HONORABLE MENTION AWARD: Each local RTA may nominate **three (3) additional Indiana Retired Teachers Association members** who have demonstrated a willingness to give unselfishly of their time and energy for the benefit of others and have truly gone that extra mile. They will be recognized with a special certificate to be presented to them at their local RTA meeting. Please verify membership with the state office as well as the local RTA before submitting.

GROUP PROJECT AWARD: Worthy projects from each area may be chosen to receive an award for an outstanding group project. From these submitted, an outstanding state award may be given. To be considered for this award, the local must submit a summary of **no more than 400** words describing the project, the impact it has or will continue to have, how the membership was involved and why the project was a benefit to the community. Updated ongoing projects and/or new projects will be considered for awards. Please submit only **ONE** project for consideration.

From these nominees, we may select one group project to compete for the NRTA national award. Each state is permitted only one (1) nomination, and the committee will select this nominee based on the current criteria given to us by the NRTA.

These nomination forms along with volunteer hours are to be sent to your Area Community Service Chairperson listed in your packet by January 15.