**RCOB MAJOR AWARDS CRITERIA AND WINNERS**

The Club presents four major service awards, and these may be presented annually (or less frequently), as determined by the Club Executive Committee consisting of the Immediate Past President, President, President Elect and Program Vice President. The Awards are:

**The Will J. Griswold Club Service A**ward, named after our Club’s founding president, a highly-respected citizen and attorney who came to Bellingham in 1903. He established a private practice in 1912, and help found our Club in 1917. He is described as “a citizen of worth and has ever conformed his practice to the highest ethics of the profession”;

**The David C. Morse Sr. Community Service Award**, named after a Club Member who has served the Club faithfully for over 61 years as of his 91st birthday June 30, 2004, and who set a remarkable standard of community support, both financial and in terms of personal time and effort throughout his lifetime;

**The Michael K. Mischaikow International Service Award**, named after a Club Member who, as an expatriate of Bulgaria who had been subjected to the rigors of three totalitarian regimes there, and later, as an American citizen and a professor at Western Washington University, worked tirelessly in projects furthering international understanding and peace; and

**The Karen W. Morse Vocational Service Award**, named after a Member of our Club who became President of Western Washington University in 1994, and who is a leader in her field of chemistry winning several prestigious national and international recognitions, and has been also selected to lead several higher education professional and trade organizations.

These awards are ***not*** based upon popularity or popular vote, they are awards for **long-term service;** accordingly, the committee is careful not to select a member for an award because of very recent service only. Normally, because the awards are intended to recognize *any* exemplary Rotarian, the award should not be made to a current or very recent Club Officer, except when special circumstances (such as age, illness or relocation) dictate overlooking this caution.

Because these awards are unique to the Bellingham Rotary Club, and because they are given for a substantial period of service, they are the highest honors that the Club can give to its Members.

**NOMINATIONS**

The Executive Committee shall announce at each of the Club’s meeting in April that written nominations are being accepted for the awards through April 30, however no “ballot” shall be created or distributed. The Executive Committee may then take nominations submitted by any Member into account as they make the selection of the awardees.

**PRESENTATION**

Presentation of the awards shall be supervised by the incoming president at the annual “Changing of the Guard” meeting at the end of June or in early July. The Award form shall be as determined by the Executive Committee. Each Award presented shall represent a contribution of $1,000 to the Rotary Club of Bellingham Foundation.

**CRITERIA**

Each award shall be made to a Member who has made an exceptional effort providing service in one or more of the following areas as defined by Rotary International:

***CLUB SERVICE***is defined by Rotary International as “Actions a Rotarian must take within a Club to help it function successfully”. This includes a Member’s work on various accounting, Rotary district, fund-raising, reporting, public relations, newsletter, members’ social, membership, and similar committees or as an individual.

***COMMUNITY SERVICE*** is defined by Rotary International as “Comprising varied efforts that Rotarians make, sometimes in conjunction with others (e.g., another local Rotary or Rotoract Club or a Rotary District) to improve the quality of life within the Club’s or locality.”

***INTERNATIONAL SERVICE***is defined by Rotary as “Comprised of all things a Rotarian can do to advance international understanding, goodwill, and peace by getting acquainted with people of other countries, their cultures, customs, accomplishments, aspirations, problems -- through personal contacts, travel, and attendance at conventions, through reading and correspondence, and through cooperation in all Club activities and projects -- including those of The Rotary Foundation -- that will help people in other lands.”

***VOCATIONAL SERVICE***is defined by Rotary International as “Including promoting high ethical standards in businesses and professions, recognizing the worthiness of all useful occupations, and fostering the ideal of service in the pursuit of all vocations. The role of the Club includes developing projects that help members contribute their talents to meeting society’s needs. The role of Rotarians includes conducting themselves and their businesses in accordance with Rotary principles and responding to projects their Club develops.” This Avenue of Service also recognizes work by Rotarians with an industry or industry association to promote ethics and practices therein in accordance with Rotary’s values.

***There may be no greater honor than to be celebrated by your peers for your services to the organization. Our congratulations to these honored Rotarians!***

***Will J. Griswold Club Service Award winners:***

*2002-2003* Tommy Thomson

*2003-2004* Fred Ossewarde

*2004-2005*  Teri Treat

*2005-2006*  Steve Adelstein

*2006-2007* Don Anderson

*2007-2008* Steve Hoekstra

*2008-2009* Dale Rings

*2009-2010* Cleary Cone

*2010-2011* Del Vandekerk

*2011-2012* Margaret Curtis

*2012-2013* Cathy Buckley

2013-2014 Ken Culver

2014-2015 Bob Sytsma

2015-2016 Nathan Twining

2016-2017 Susie Thomson

***David C. Morse Sr. Community Service Award winners:***

*2002-2003* David C. Morse Sr.\*

*2003-2004* Peggy Zoro

*2004-2005* Charlie Self

*2005-2006* Roger Barnhart

*2006-2007* Mary Robinson

*2007-2008* Don & Rick Haggen

*2008-2009* Joe Coons

*2009-2010* Mike Bradburn

*2010-2011* Glenn Butler

*2011-2012* D. C. Morse Jr.

*2012-2013* Robert Diehl

2013-2014 Brian Griffin

2014-2015 Margaret Curtis

2015-2016 Bruce MacCormack

2016-2017 Tim Farris

***Michael K. Mischaikow International Service Award winners:***

*2002-2003* Dan Cheney & Vince Davis

*2003-2004* Dick Smith

*2004-2005*  David C. Morse Jr.

*2005-2006* (No award)

*2006-2007* David C. Morse Jr. & Jan Marchbanks

*2007-2008* (No award)

*2008-2009* (No award)

*2009-2010* Robin Halliday

*2010-2011* Mark Knittel

*2011-2012* Loch Trimingham

*2012-2013* Bob Trunek & Paul Grey

*2013-2014* Bob Morse

*2014-2015* Dominique Zervas

2015-2016 Lisa Saar

2016-2017 Paul Grey, Bob Trunek & Dominique Zervas

***Karen W. Morse Vocational Service Award winners:***

*2002-2003*  Karen W. Morse

*2003-2004* Tim Farris

*2004-2005* Harold Heiner

*2005-2006* Gerald Pumphrey

*2006-2007* Dennis Murphy

*2007-2008* Chuck Farrell

*2008-2009* Curt Cortelyou\*

*2009-2010* Fahri Ugurlu

*2010-2011* Julie Foster

*2011-2012* Tim Farris

*2012-2013* Barry Hanson

*2013-2014* Robin Halliday

*2014-2015* Jim Cunningham

*2015-2016* Greg Baker

2016-2017 Kathi Hiyane-Brown

*Prior to 2003, the Club awarded Rotary International Paul Harris Awards to Club Service and Community Service honorees as follows:*

***Year Community Service Club Service***

*1989-1990* Oliver Johnson\* Richard Smith

*1990-1991* Albert Archer James Caldwell

*1991-1992* Jack Dunkak\* Teri Treat

*1992-1993* David Morse, Sr.\* Richard White

*1993-1994* Dan Cheney/Vince Davis Keith Murray\*

*1994-1995* Bob Moles\* George Graham\*

*1995-1996* Bob Morse Paul Given

*1996-1997* Dick Tucker Don Anderson

*1997-1998* Sam Kelly\* Jim Caldwell

*1998-1999* Jack Westford Scott Walker

*1999-2000* Patricia Decker Paul Stankovich

*2000-2001* Ken Culver Larry Johanson

*2001-2002* Brian Griffin Jan Marchbanks