



Vocational Service Award Guidelines 2016

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Purpose:

An important and effective way to encourage vocational excellence, to promote high ethical *standards* and to use one's vocational abilities for the benefits of the community is to recognize such activity through a Vocational Service Award program. This can be done by bestowing vocational awards on deserving individuals who practice their vocation in the Cupertino area. The awardees can be Rotarians or non-Rotarians. The accomplishments can be a major effort or simple, thoughtful acts. The presentation ceremony will occur in the Spring at a club meeting.

Criteria for Selection:

The vocational service award committee will consider nominations for persons in all vocations (i.e. one's trade, profession, or occupation). The award recognizes individuals, not organizations, who conduct their vocations in the Cupertino area. The committee utilizes the following specific criteria for selection:

- 1) Is the individual respected in *his or her field by his or her peers*?
- 2) Does the individual conduct his or her vocation in an ethical manner consistent with Rotary's 4-way test?
- 3) Does the individual conduct his or her vocation in a way that gives back to Rotarian's personal, business, and community life?
- 4) Does the individual conduct his or her vocation in a way that places service above self?

Nomination Forms:

Rotarians can submit as many nominations as they wish. The deadline for submission is the 15th of April. A selection committee of club members will meet from to make its selection from the nominations submitted. Nominations should be returned to, the Club Secretary or Chairperson who will forward the completed forms to the selection committee.

I nominate _____ for the Cupertino Vocational Service Award. Please use a separate piece of paper to explain why.

Past Recipients: Leon Davis, Joanne Mansch,, Tina Ferguson, Chuck Devine, Lynn Ching, Jim Gibson, Uina Kkota, Vardy Shtein, Frances Seward, Jim Jackson, Bev Lenihan, Bob Adams, Padma Chari, Tom Hall.

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Vocational Service Award Details

Selection Committee:

The selection committee consists of past and present members of the following members: past recipients, Vocational Service committee members, present and past Rotary presidents. The mix of those three groups is good cross section of the Rotary members.

Award:

The award is a plaque that is purchase each year by Leon Davis to give to the awardees. Leon can best be reached by telephone.

Ceremony:

It is just a simple ceremony where the Vocational Service Award Chairperson calls the person who nominates to explain why he or she nominated the awardees. The President gives the plaque to the awardees.

Other:

Darryl Stow picks some really good winners almost every year. It only takes one person to run the operation however the biggest task for the committee is to pick the winner as each year, we are getting more applicants who are all qualified. I have done awarding this in April, May and now June. It is less stressful to me if we do the outreach in April so I do not feel so rush and the President can pick a good date.