

WVEA Seeks Award Nominations

Do you know a WVEA member who has done outstanding service for your local or community? Do you know an individual who has gone “above and beyond the call of duty” for education? How about your local – has it developed an outstanding program in human relations? Here is your opportunity to obtain statewide recognition for those outstanding activities or services that affect students and the community.

The WVEA annual awards recognize outstanding members and lay persons in the areas of political action, human relations, women’s leadership, professional courage, and education. The awards are presented at Delegate Assembly in April.

Members of the Association are encouraged to nominate individuals for the awards. *Nominations must be on the approved form (see p. 5) and postmarked no later than APRIL 6, 2010.* Additional nomination forms may be obtained by contacting LaDonna Campbell at 1.800.642.8261, ext. 141 or by visiting www.wvea.org and downloading a form.

Nominations postmarked after April 6th or submitted without the proper form will not be considered. ■

The oldest award, first presented in 1968, is titled the **WVEA Mary Titus/Janet Zevnik Award for Professional Courage**. Originally given to Olive Mason of Jackson County, the award will be presented in either or both of the following situations: (1) a member who, over a long period of time, has constantly shown professional courage under fire and has uncompromisingly worked for the welfare of other teachers without catering to others for personal advancement, and/or (2) a member who, under severe and critical circumstances, has shown leadership beyond the call of duty and has taken considerable personal risk in standing up for the goals and purposes of the Association.

The **WVEA Margaret Baldwin Friend of Education Award** recognizes a person who has proven to be a true friend of education and has demonstrated this through leadership, actions and support at the state level. Individuals are not required to be educators and are selected regardless of age, sex, race, color or creed.

The **WVEA Corma A. Mowrey Memorial Award** originated in 1983 in honor of the late Corma Mowrey, a past president of the National Education Association. This award recognizes demonstrated leadership ability in activities which are unique and contribute to the advancement of women.

The **WVEA Lucile Meadows Award for Outstanding Program Development in Human Relations** is given to a county association with an active human relations committee which develops programs that have a significant impact on education and have furthered the achievement of equal education.

The **WVEA Pearl S. Buck Memorial Award** honors a person who has made outstanding strides for education in the field of human relations and has made an impact on a school or a significant portion of the local community.

The **WVEA Mary L. Williams Memorial Award** goes to a WVEA member who has made outstanding strides in the field of human relations. The individual must have worked beyond the call of duty attempting to eliminate racial inequities in the education profession. The person also must have worked to bring about improved intergroup relations and understanding, and must have been identified and recognized by his or her community.

The **WVEA Phares E. Reeder Award** (formerly the WVEA Caring Award) is given to a classroom teacher, who is a member of the United Education Profession, for his/her outstanding support of a student, causing the student to improve school work and helping said student become a more worthwhile citizen in the school and the community. This support should be beyond regular classroom duties.

The **WVEA Legislative Achievement Award** recognizes a legislator who, because of his/her special efforts, goes beyond the normal legislative process in support of education. The nominee should be a veteran legislator of at least five years of service in the House of Delegates and/or the Senate and his/her legislative achievements must be far-reaching and have a long-term positive impact on the ability of this state to offer a quality education program for its youngsters or positively affect the general welfare of public school teachers and education support professionals.

The **WVEA Educational Support Professionals Award** recognizes individuals who have been an ESP member for three years as of January 15 of the award year. Local presidents are encouraged to nominate ESP members who show outstanding accomplishments in one or more of the following areas: (1) innovations to support the day-to-day education process, (2) professional achievements in his/her job classification, (3) involvement in promoting public education in the community, and (4) enhancement of educational support professionals’ image in the Association, work site, or community.

The **WVEA Ermalee Boice Community Outreach Award** goes to an individual or a local who initiates or fosters improvements in relationships between public schools and the broader community.

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Award _____

Nominee _____

Address _____

Position(s) _____

Phone _____

Email: _____

County _____

Rationale for nomination _____

Related activities in education or community _____

Extra pages and/or supporting documentation may be included with this form; however, this form must be completed and submitted with your nomination.

Person making this nomination _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS APRIL 6, 2010.

NOMINATIONS MUST BE ON THIS FORM AND POSTMARKED BY APRIL 6th TO BE CONSIDERED.

Mail this form to:

WVEA AWARDS, c/o LaDonna Campbell, 1558 Quarrier St., Charleston, WV 25311