

## Appalachian Mountain Club Distinguished Service Award

Nominations for 2010 are due by November 9th, 2009

The Distinguished Service Award is the Appalachian Mountain Club's most prestigious volunteer award. Established in 1976 on the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Club, it is intended to recognize those AMC volunteers who have contributed outstanding efforts to the mission of the club, for a sustained period of time, and at the very highest levels. This award recognizes long term commitment to enhancing and sustaining the integrity of the Club's conservation, education and recreation values, with a special acknowledgement that the recipients have developed a complete understanding of the values and goals of the entire organization.

The nominees for the Distinguished Service Award will have demonstrated their abilities to make a positive contribution to the club through their volunteer associations, maintained an outstanding attitude about the mission of the club, and succeeded in sharing those ideals within volunteer and/or external communities.

Nominations for this award may come from any source and will be submitted to the Director of Volunteer Relations by November 9, 2009. The Executive Committee will make one or more recommendations to the President of the Board for final approval.

Nomination Process: Annual notification will be placed on the AMC website and in the October AMC Outdoors. Volunteers and staff from all units are welcome to make nominations on this standard form that can be forwarded to Roger Scholl, Director of Chapter and Volunteer Relations at [rscholl@outdoors.org](mailto:rscholl@outdoors.org). Electronic submission of nominations is highly encouraged to facilitate distribution to the Award Review Committee. Board of Directors, and members of the award review committee (see below) are not eligible during their terms of office.

Nomination \_\_\_\_\_

Qualifications \_\_\_\_\_

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Review Process: Following an initial review, appropriate members of the review committee will seek additional input on the most promising nominees from volunteers and staff familiar with the volunteer's contributions. The review committee will forward candidates to the Board Executive Committee for their consideration. The President will make all final decisions.

Award: Awards are presented during the Annual Meeting. Plaques will be presented to the recipients. Information on the award recipients will be communicated to the newsletter editor of the recipients' respective club units, and announced in other appropriate locations.

Review Committee: John Dolloff: Chair of the Chapter's Committee, Jim Weston: VMF Committee Chair, Peter Roderick: Trails Committee Chair, Chris Rapacki: Southern Regional Director, Heather Clish: Trails Director, Roger Scholl: Director of Chapter and Volunteer Relations, Dale Geslien: Southern Regional Director