

Appalachian Mountain Club Volunteer Leadership Award
AMC Volunteer Leadership Award Review Committee

Nominations for 2010 are due by November 9, 2009

Purpose: To further recognize AMC's outstanding volunteer leaders who demonstrate the desire to share their time and expertise in the pursuit of AMC's recreation, conservation, and education mission. We consistently find far more deserving volunteers than can be recognized with the Distinguished Service Award. The Volunteer Leadership Award will recognize one or more additional dedicated volunteers who unselfishly contribute even more than just hours in the field or time on club wide committees, and who are instrumental in creating and holding vibrant activities with a passion for education, conservation and recreation ethics.

Criteria: This award is for current AMC members with at least five years of active service who have made significant contributions to volunteer leadership within their club units. The recipients will have furthered the recreation, conservation, and education mission of the AMC in some way. Particular emphasis will be given to those volunteers whose initiatives advance one or more of the following within the AMC: diversity, effective communication, volunteer involvement, membership recruitment or retention, facilities, risk management and safety, leadership training, conservation, education and/or the strategic plan of the AMC (currently Vision 2010).

Nomination Process: Annual notification will be placed on the AMC website. 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. 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:

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: Central Regional Director

