

October 1, 2008

TO: All Club Presidents **for immediate attention**

FROM: Steve Goodman  
75 Wilson Road  
Somerset, NJ 08873-2776  
(732) 873-3423

Re: **NOMINATIONS FOR THE F.S. "MATTY" MATHEWSON ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

In 1982, District 7510 established this award to recognize and honor those Rotarians in the district who have, over a period of time, best exemplified Rotary's motto of "**Service Above Self**" and earning this award is the **highest honor** that can be bestowed on a Rotarian by our District.

Without exception, every Rotary Club in our District has the opportunity to nominate a member who is worthy of this honor. A committee appointed by the District Governor will meet and select the Rotarian to receive this distinguished award which will be presented at the District Conference in April 2009. The committee, on which I serve as Chair will make their decision based upon, but not limited to the following:

1. Rotary Club Offices/Positions/Activities
  2. District Offices/Positions/Activities
  3. International Offices/Positions/Activities
  4. Service to the Community
  5. Honors and/or Awards received
  6. Other important data that is submitted
- Each nominee must have held Rotary membership for at least ten (10) years, have the approval of their Rotary Club's Board of Directors **and the nomination form must be signed by the Club President.**
  - Past District Governors, current and nominated District Governors and Honorary members **are not eligible for this award.** (Please see the enclosed Resolution 96-1 for more specifics regarding eligibility.)
  - Please note that all nominations must be in my hands no later than December 31, 2008 and if you should have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (732) 873-3423.

Yours in Rotary service,

Steve Goodman  
e-mail to goodpix@juno.com

cc: DG Joe Scandariato  
AGs  
Rotarian of the Year Selection Committee

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 7510

RESOLUTION 96-1

WHEREAS, for many years District 7510 has presented the F.S. "Matty" Matthewson Award each year to a deserving Rotarian of District 7510; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Bylaws, Resolutions and Legislation desires to clarify the procedures and standards for the presentation of this important award;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the District Conference of District 7510, assembled at the Mountain Laurel Resort, White Haven, Pennsylvania on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1996

1. THAT District 7510 shall continue to present annually the F.S. "Matty" Matthewson, Rotarian of the Year Award in memory of F. S. "Matty" Matthewson of the Rotary Club of Plainfield, who served as the first Governor of District 751 for the Rotary year 1947-8;
2. THAT the district governor shall appoint each year a committee of six Rotarians, not more than two of whom may be past district governors, which committee shall be designated the "Rotarian of the Year Selection Committee";
3. THAT the district governor shall notify each club president by letter during the months of October or November of each Rotary year that nominations are open for the award and that each club may nominate one Rotarian by a letter to the Chair of the Selection Committee, which letter must be received by the Chair by the following January 1;
4. THAT the Selection Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair during the month of January and make its selection. The Chair shall notify the district governor of the name and club of the Rotarian selected for the award and the award shall be announced and presented at the following district conference; and
5. THAT the recipient of this Award shall meet the following standards:
  - a. The recipient must be a member in good standing of a Rotary Club in District 7510;
  - b. The recipient must have been a member of one or more Rotary Clubs for a cumulative total of at least ten Rotary years;
  - c. The recipient may not be, at the time of the award, and may not have previously served as a Governor Designate, Governor Nominee or Governor of Rotary District 7510 or any other Rotary district;
  - d. The recipient, in the opinion of at least two-thirds of the members voting in the Selection Committee, must for the previous year or years, best exemplified in his/her deeds the concepts and attributes of Service Above Self;
  - e. The recipient shall not be recognized solely for activities related to an office or committee in any club or the district, but must exemplify the concepts and attributes of Service Above Self in the Rotarian's personal, business and Rotary life.

ADOPTED MAY 18, 1996

Attested to by the District Secretary

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Presented by the District 7510 Committee on Bylaws, Resolutions and Legislation, David Linett, PDG, Chair

**ROTARY DISTRICT 7510 HIGHEST AWARD**

**THE "MATTY" MATHEWSON AWARD – 2008-2009**

**ROTARY CLUB OF \_\_\_\_\_'S NOMINATION FOR THE "MATTY" MATHEWSON AWARD**

Club President: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Our Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominee's club history:

Date entered our club:

Club and district achievements:

Community involvements(include honors and awards):

Club positions held:

Military history:

Hobbies:

Our Club member's observations, (Narrative) – with signatures and dates

Our Club President's observations, (Narrative) – with signature and date indicating our club's approval and why this nominee should receive our district's highest award.

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We have read and abided by the attached Rotary Resolution 96-1 – 1996 and hereby submit this nominee for the approval of the Selection Committee and our Governor.

**Mail completed nominations to award committee chairman Steve Goodman, 75 Wilson Road, Somerset, NJ 08873-2776 by December 31, 2008. Nominations received after this date will not be entered into consideration for this Rotary year.**