

The South Dakota Junior Chamber Presents 2012 TEN OUTSTANDING YOUNG SOUTH DAKOTANS

The South Dakota Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) annually selects and honors Ten Outstanding Young South Dakotans (TOYSD). Each honoree is awarded the distinctive TOYSD trophy. The awards ceremony emphasizes each winner's career in narrative form and provides a stage for the honorees to challenge and inspire South Dakota's young citizens.

The awards ceremony honoring this year's 10 winners will be held in Pierre, SD.

Young men and women (ages 18-40) in all fields of endeavor may be nominated for TOYSD honors. An individual, organization, association, institution, or Junior Chamber chapter may submit one or more nominations. Winners will be selected by a group of independent judges. Each winner will be selected on the basis of their achievement or contribution in any of the following areas:

1. Personal improvements or accomplishment
2. Financial success and economic innovation
3. Social improvement to major contemporary problems
4. Philanthropic contributions or voluntary service
5. Politics or government service
6. Scientific or technological contributions
7. Legal/Legislative reform
8. Cultural achievement (to include contributions in literature, history, education, or the arts)
9. Academic leadership or accomplishment
10. Moral and religious leadership
11. Athletic accomplishment
12. Success in the influence of public opinion (news media and other means)
13. Any other important contributions to community, state, or nation at the discretion of the judges.

Also, in determining the recipients of this recognition, the judges shall give particular consideration to each nominee's record of adherence to the principles embodied in the Jaycee Creed:

We Believe:

*That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;
That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;
That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise;
That government should be of laws rather than of men;
That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;
And that service to humanity is the best work of life.*

TOYSD Nomination Form & Guidelines

Following are the rules governing nominations:

1. Nominees must be of Jaycee age (18-40).
2. A nominee must be a current resident of South Dakota or have resided in South Dakota for no less than five years at any point in their life.
3. The nominee must sign the nomination form personally. The signature will attest to all facts contained on the form, give permission for publication of the facts, and indicate willingness, barring extreme circumstances, to attend the TOYSD awards ceremony.
4. All information must be included with this form.
5. Submit a quality 8" x 10" or 5" x 7" black and white or color head and shoulders photo of the nominee with the application form. (Photo can be an electronic picture as long as it is of good quality.)
6. **All entries must be received by Sept. 1, 2012. Nominations received after this date will not be considered.**

Electronic submission of nomination forms is *strongly* encouraged. Please ensure original signatures accompany the form and email. Email submissions should be sent to nominations@toysd.com.

If you do not have the required electronic capabilities, please mail submissions to:

**TOYSD
1508 Northstar Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501**

NOMINEE INFORMATION

NAME (*first, middle, last*): _____

DATE of BIRTH: _____ PLACE of BIRTH (*city/state or country*): _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

EMPLOYER NAME: _____

POSITION/TITLE: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

BUSINESS CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

BUSINESS PH: _____ EMAIL: _____

PARTNER'S NAME (*if any*): _____

CHILDREN'S NAMES/AGES (*if any*): _____

Schools Attended (*include degrees, academic honors, etc.*)

Civic, fraternal, religious organizations & affiliations (*e.g. American Red Cross, Director, 1996*)

Published work (*include where & when publication occurred*)

DIRECTIONS:

On a separate sheet, please type or neatly print answers using no more than the allotted words per section (please use single-spaced, one-inch margins, in 12-point font, if typed; no more than three pages per section if handwritten). Indicate the nominee's full name centered at the top of each page. Word count may vary for answering each question. Indicate by number where each answer begins. No additional attachments of any kind to the nomination form are allowed.

Nominations not prepared under these guidelines will be considered ineligible. *This form may be copied.*

Please answer the following questions (nominee may complete this section if needed)

1. Describe the nominee's career, including background and the scope of work and/or activities.
2. Describe the nominee's exceptional achievements and/or contributions in the nominee's chosen field(s), organization, community, state, or nation.
3. List quotations, statements of authorities, honors, and awards received demonstrating the nominee's achievements and/or contributions.
4. Describe how the nominee excels in at least two of the 13 areas as outlined on the previous page.
5. *(For Nominator ONLY)* Summarize the nominee's most outstanding humanitarian efforts and how the nominee exemplifies the line of the Jaycee Creed stating, "Service to humanity is the best work of life."
6. *(For Nominator ONLY)* Summarize the reason you believe the nominee should be selected as one of the Ten Outstanding Young South Dakotans.

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

BUSINESS OR JAYCEE CHAPTER NAME: _____

SIGNATURE (*nominator*): _____ Date: _____

FOR NOMINEE

With agreement to accept a TOYSD award, I understand that, barring extreme circumstances, I am required to be present at the TOYSD awards ceremony. In the event circumstances prevent attendance, I must present conditions to the South Dakota Jaycees President for a decision on my continued eligibility for an award. Banquet dinner and overnight lodging will be provided for each award recipient.

Nominee's signature below indicates that you have read and understand the information provided and that nominee attests to all the facts contained in the submission form. Nominees signature also provides permission to use the facts on the submission form for publication.

SIGNATURE (*Nominee*): _____ Date: _____