



Camp/Lodge of the Year Award

Woodmen of the World/Assured Life Association

G u i d e l i n e s

P u r p o s e

The Camp/Lodge of the Year Program has been developed by Woodmen of the World/Assured Life Association to recognize the outstanding fraternal performance, accomplishment and service demonstrated by individual camps/lodges during the past calendar year.

E l i g i b i l i t y

- ◆ Any camp/lodge officer may submit a nominating form provided by the home office outlining the accomplishments of the camp/lodge during the past year.
- ◆ The nominated camp/lodge must be in good standing with Woodmen of the World and/or Assured Life Association. This means that the camp/lodge must be up to date with its annual reporting requirements to the home office.

D e s c r i p t i o n o f t h e A w a r d

- ◆ The Camp/Lodge of the Year Program may honor one individual camp/lodge in each of the following categories as long as there are two or more camp/lodge nominees:
 - Best Fraternal Event
 - Best Join Hands Day Event
 - Best Community Service Event
 - Best Camp/Lodge Newsletter
- ◆ One Camp/Lodge will be selected and awarded Camp/Lodge of the Year.
- ◆ Each category of the Camp/Lodge of the Year Program will be awarded \$250 for the being selected the “BEST” in the respective category. The \$250 will be donated in honor and recognition of the camp/lodge to a charity of its choice.
- ◆ The Camp/Lodge of the Year will be awarded \$500 for its selection as the Camp/Lodge of the Year. The \$500 will be donated in honor and recognition of the camp/lodge to a charity of its choice.

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4. What **one** community service event did your camp/lodge undertake last year that was exceptional and popular with members and best represents your community service efforts? What organization or charity benefited from the event? **This category may include your participation in the Society's National Member Fall Food Drive or Operation Santa's Elves.** Describe your event along with the month in which it was held and the details that made this event exceptional and popular with members (quantify the results of your event, i.e. money raised, food collected, toys collected, families impacted, etc.).

5. Did any community service event involve fund-raising? YES NO
If so, how much money was raised?

6. Does your camp/lodge have a member newsletter? YES NO
If so, please attach your best sample newsletter from last year.

7. Did your camp/lodge take advantage of the Society's camp/lodge matching gift program last year?
 YES NO

If so, what amount did you use and what organization(s) or charity(ies) benefited from the program?

Deadline for all nominations is March 31, 2010

Please send nomination materials to:

<p>Jerry Christensen Woodmen of the World/Assured Life Association 8000 E. Maplewood Avenue, Suite #105 Greenwood Village, CO 80111 jlc@denverwoodmen.com</p>
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D e s c r i p t i o n o f C a t e g o r i e s

- ◆ Fraternal Event – a social event planned by the camp/lodge for the benefit of members and their families.
- ◆ Join Hands Day Event – a volunteer event planned by the camp/lodge in conjunction with Join Hands Day to make a difference in their communities through a helpful project that connects youth and adults in service together.
- ◆ Community Service Event – a volunteer event or fund-raiser planned by the camp/lodge that assists needy individuals or charity, or improves its community at large.
- ◆ Newsletter – a periodic publication distributed by the camp/lodge to its members which provides news, announcements and activity opportunities.
- ◆ Camp/Lodge of the Year – is a camp/lodge that demonstrates excellence in two or more of the categories with unique and innovative ideas and programs to interest and engage its membership.

P r o g r a m P r o c e d u r e

Each camp/lodge is encouraged to plan its yearly activities with the Camp/Lodge of the Year Program in mind. Document your events such that you can provide the information required on the Nominating Form.

The Committee of Fraternal Affairs will select the camp/lodge awards from among those nominated by camp/lodge officers.

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