

**VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD  
2010**

**DEADLINE February 15, 2011**

We are changing the process a little for selection of the "Volunteer of the Year", using the nomination process much like we do for the "Mentor of the Year. The award this year will be presented at the Annual Convention Recognition Banquet in Las Vegas, Nevada, March 5, 2011!

Our volunteers are the life blood of the AVA and we want to recognize an extraordinary volunteer as one way to show our appreciation for the time and effort they have put into vaulting activities with their volunteerism. This award is to recognize a volunteer's work over the years, and not just in the past year. A nominee for the Volunteer of the Year is someone who has been a member of the AVA for at least 5 years and has volunteered in many ways.

This award is only given to an individual once although we do recognize that they usually continue with their volunteer work. Volunteer of the Year recipients are a member of an elite group who continue to serve and will help give out the award this year.

Submit your nominee by filling out the form on the next page along with at least 3 letters of recommendation from individuals within the vaulting community that tell why your nominee should be considered for this award and should include examples of the nominee's volunteerism and its impact on the American Vaulting Association, the vaulters, officials, clubs and regions.

The process of choosing the Volunteer of the Year starts with your nominations. The Volunteer of the Year Awards Committee will review all nominations.

**You must use the Volunteer of the Year form for your nominee and include the recommendation letters with your submission. The postmark deadline is February 14, 2011 and via email by February 17, 2011.**

Send your "MENTOR OF THE YEAR" nominee via email to Carol Beutler at cbeutler@sbcglobal.net or by mail to 2780 Goodwin Avenue, Redwood City, CA 94061.

Former recipients are:

Marianne Rose - 1997  
Carol Beutler - 1998  
Marge Oakes - 1999  
Gary Thwing - 2000  
Bob Weber 2001  
Del & Doris Dyer - 2002  
Paul Caskey - 2003  
Jan Weber - 2004  
Tom Oakes - 2005  
Shari Stapleton-Smith - 2006  
Noel Martonovich – 2007  
Sydney Frankel - 2008  
Linda Bibbler- 2009

Thanks to the membership for your input and support of our valued volunteers  
Carol Beutler  
Mentor of the Year and Volunteer of the Year  
Awards Committee Chair

**VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM**

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

Years of AVA Membership (must be a minimum of 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

AVA Volunteer Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominated By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Letters of Recommendation:

At least 3 letters of recommendation for this award must be included. Each letter should describe the nominees volunteer activities and why they deserve this award. It should also include the name of the person submitting the letter, address, phone number, and email address and AVA club affiliation.

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Send back your "VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR" nominations on the form above with the letters of recommendation by email to Carol Beutler at [cbeutler@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cbeutler@sbcglobal.net) You can also mail it to 2780 Goodwin Avenue, Redwood City, CA 94061.