

Division Star Awards

Rationale: There are many Kiwanians in our district who serve their clubs and their communities with unwavering commitment who are never recognized. This award is an opportunity for clubs to acknowledge those efforts by nomination, and to publicly recognize and honor them before their peers at the district convention, should they receive the award for their division. Another goal is to motivate Kiwanians to attend a district convention to either receive this award or to support a fellow club member as he/she is honored for this award. A final goal is to encourage “division pride” centered on each year’s award recipients.

Process: Each club in the district is allowed to nominate ONE member for the award each year. The deadline date is APRIL 1st to your Lt. Governor. Each division determines their own process to select ONE Kiwanian for the award from that division. *(The Lt. Governor of each division must submit division winner to Steve Handegaard at District Office by May 1st.)*

Clubs are to submit written justification as to why the member selected deserves to be the “Division Star” for their division. To download **Nomination Instructions and Format** (go to district website/awards)

It is important to point out Kiwanis work but any service completed by the individual will also be considered. Work over their entire Kiwanis career should be considered, not just the current Kiwanis year. Included is an essay of no more than 300 words maximum which summarizes and describes the nominee’s accomplishments. These summaries will be printed for each region’s winner and distributed at the District Kiwanis Convention. Examples of last year’s winners’ summaries can be found on our district website/awards at: <http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/24948>

Criteria for Award: All currently paid members of the Minnesota Dakotas District are eligible for the award *with the exception of current club presidents, current immediate past presidents, current presidents elect, current vice presidents, current governor and current Lt. Governors.* District board members that don’t fit the above description ARE eligible for the award. Please note: club secretaries and treasurers ARE eligible for the award.

Special Note: *If possible clubs are encouraged to pay for the winning “Division Star’s” district convention registration and/or motel-travel expenses. Perhaps the club could send the member as one of their official delegates.* The district will furnish the award itself which will be presented publicly by the governor at the district convention. Those selected for the award will be strongly encouraged to attend the convention to receive the award in person, and will be asked to submit a digital photo (head shot) in jpeg format, higher resolution (at least 500 KB).