



## **AYP LIBERTY TRAIL CHAPTER 12**

### ***2009 Award Categories and Descriptions***

Annual chapter recognition award(s) may be given to an AYP member or a group of people (with one person being an AYP member) in any one or more of the sub-categories below:

#### **PROGRAM EXCELLENCE**

##### **1) *SUMNER DUDLEY AWARD (Camping)***

The recipient of the Sumner Dudley Award must have made a significant contribution in the area of YMCA resident or day camping. The achievement should serve as a model of excellence for camps, and for promoting creativity and implementation of standards and activities emphasizing YMCA goals.

##### **2) *GEORGE CORSAN AWARD (Aquatics)***

This award is given to the YMCA Aquatic Professional who actively promotes YMCA Aquatic programs and demonstrates superior leadership in the field of Aquatics. Recipient should serve as model for other YMCA Aquatic Leaders and Professionals through excellence and innovation in YMCA Aquatic Safety, Exercise and/or Instructional Programs.

##### **3) *JAMES NAISMITH AWARD (Sports)***

The James Naismith Award recognizes either exemplary performance or outstanding program leadership in the area of youth & adult programming. Areas to be considered are features of program originality, creative content, and adaptability to various age and gender groups as well as mission focus.

##### **4) *YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AWARD***

This award is in recognition for outstanding work in the development of youth; for ages through preschool, youth, middle school or teen programming. The recipient must have demonstrated excellence in building self-esteem and character enhancement in today's youth through programs and personal commitments that exemplify the YMCA and its mission, thereby enriching the lives of young people.

#### **PERSONAL/PROFESSIONAL AND GROUP AWARDS**

##### **5) *TRIANGLE AWARD***

The recipient exemplifies the Judeo-Christian principles and the values of the YMCA and AYP in his/her life and in the YMCA. The recipient must have made a significant contribution within the community, at the YMCA or with AYP to promote the growth of spirit, mind, and body through actions demonstrating the YMCA mission.

**6) *CARING, MEMBERSHIP AND MARKETING AWARD (Membership support services)***

The Caring Membership and Marketing Award is presented to the person and/or groups making significant contributions resulting in membership growth, improved retention, membership image or documented and measurable member satisfaction.

**7) *JOHN WANAMAKER AWARD*** (New Staff: the recipient must be employed for less than 2 years, but have more than 6 months of continuous YMCA employment.)

The "Rookie of the Year" must have made an outstanding contribution to the YMCA or AYP within his/her first two years of YMCA employment. The individual's impact should be documented with submitted materials. His/her achievement and contributions should serve as a model for other young professionals beginning their careers.

**8) *PROJECT EXCELLENCE AWARD***

This award is in recognition of a person and/or group who have made an extraordinary contribution to AYP and/or the YMCA by initiating a specific project or activity that is clearly outstanding and noteworthy. Recognition of a person and/or groups may include those who have developed or impacted groups such as volunteers, staff, boards, network groups, or community organization collaborations. The project or activity selected as the basis for the award should contribute to the advancement of AYP and/or the YMCA.

**9) *CAMERON AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE***

The Cameron Award for Excellence recognizes an AYP Member who demonstrated excellence in AYP and /or the YMCA for a significant period of time. The individual should have clearly demonstrated through the YMCA Mission the long-lasting impact s/he has had on the AYP or YMCA. The recipient is considered a leader in his/her field and is a model for YMCA staff to follow.