



THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR CHAMBER
presents

Ten Outstanding Young Americans

The United States Junior Chamber annually selects and honors Ten Outstanding Young Americans. Each honoree is awarded a silver medallion and the silver TOYA "Touching Hands" trophy. The awards ceremony dramatizes each winner's career in narrative form and provides a stage for the honorees to challenge and inspire America's youth.

Young men and women in all fields of endeavor may be nominated for TOYA honors. One or more nominations may be submitted by an individual, organization, association, institution, or Junior Chamber chapter. Winners will be selected by a group of independent judges. Each winner will be selected on the basis of achievement or contribution in any three (3) of the following areas:

1. Personal improvement or accomplishment
2. Financial success and economic innovation
3. Social improvement to major contemporary problems
4. Philanthropic contribution or voluntary service
5. Politics or government service
6. Scientific or technological contributions
7. Legal 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.*



TEN OUTSTANDING YOUNG AMERICANS Nomination Form

Following are rules governing nominations:

1. The age range is 18-40. A nominee is not eligible if he or she becomes 41 before January 1 of the year in which he or she would be recognized.
2. A nominee must be a U.S. citizen (native born or naturalized), or must have applied for citizenship by January 1 of the year prior to nomination.
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 TOYA Awards Congress, in its entirety, if the nominee is under final consideration for the TOYA award.
4. All information **must** be included with this form.
5. Submit a good-quality 8" x 10" or 5" x 7" black-and-white or color head-and-shoulders photo with nomination form.
6. All entries **must** be postmarked no later than **April 15** prior to each awards ceremony and submitted to:

THE U.S. JUNIOR CHAMBER • TOYA • P.O. Box 7 • Tulsa, OK 74102-0007

DEADLINE: Postmarked no later than April 15

Nominee's full name _____

Birth date _____ Current citizenship _____ City, county, state, and/or country of birth _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail address _____

Company name _____ Position or title _____

Business address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Business phone _____ Fax _____

Agent or contact _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail address _____

Marital Status Single Married- Spouse's name _____

Children (Name, age):

Schools attended (degrees, academic honors, etc.):

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

Published work:

DIRECTIONS

Answer each of the following questions on a total of three 8.5" x 11" white sheets of paper (front side only). The allotted pages must have top, bottom, and side margins of no less than one inch. Indicate the nominee's full name centered at the top of each page. Space used may vary for answering each question. Indicate by number where each answer begins. No additional attachments of any kind to nomination blank are allowed. Nominations not prepared under these guidelines will be considered ineligible. Single-spaced, typewritten answers are preferred with a double space between paragraphs. Be as factual as possible. This form may be copied.

QUESTIONS

1. Outline (describe) the career of the nominee, including some background and the scope of the nominee's work or activity.
2. Describe the nominee's exceptional achievements or contributions in the nominee's chosen field or fields, organization, community, state, or nation.
3. List quotations, statements of authorities, honors, and awards received which evaluate the nominee's achievement or contribution.
4. Describe how the nominee excels in at least three of the thirteen areas as outlined on the previous page.

FOR NOMINATOR: Summarize within this space the nominee's most outstanding humanitarian efforts and how the nominee exemplifies the line of the Jaycee Creed that states "Service to humanity is the best work of life."

FOR NOMINATOR: Summarize within this space the reason why you (nominator) believe your nominee should be selected as one of the nation's Ten Outstanding Young Americans.

Nominator's name _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Day phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail address _____

Occupation, business, or Junior Chamber chapter name _____

FOR NOMINEE: With agreement to accept a TOYA award, I understand that, barring extreme circumstances, I am required to be present at the TOYA Congress. In the event circumstances prevent attendance, I must present conditions to The United States Junior Chamber President for his or her decision on my continued eligibility for an award. The winner's expenses (coach air travel within the continental limits of the United States, and lodging) are paid in full for the awards congress trip. The ten honorees will be notified of their selection in June. The selection of all honorees **must** be kept confidential by them until The United States Junior Chamber makes the formal announcement of the selections.

I have read and understand the preceding information. I attest to all facts contained on this form and give permission for the facts to be used for publication.

Signature of Nominee _____ Date _____



SEND NOMINATION FORM AND PHOTOGRAPH TO:
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