Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance

Recreation Specialist of the Year Award

**Purpose of the Award**
The purpose of the Recreation Specialist of the Year Award is to recognize professionals for their outstanding efforts, commitment and accomplishments in the area of physical activity and recreation. Nominees should be individuals who have advanced and promoted the role of health, physical education, recreation and dance through their work.

**Qualifications for Award**
In order to qualify for the Recreation Specialist of the Year Award a nominee must be a current member of GAHPERD and currently employed in at least one of the areas recognized by AAPAR (American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation): education and community/agency programs of physical activity and recreation. Nominees must have a minimum of five years experience in the field. Individuals should be dedicated to enhancing the quality of life by promoting creative and active lifestyles through fitness experiences across the lifespan with particular focus on community-based programs.

**Selection/Recognition Process**
The completed application for this award is reviewed by a screening committee appointed by the Committee Chair of the GAHPERD division sponsoring this award. The recipient and all applicants for this award are notified by letter from the Committee Chair six to eight weeks prior to GAHPERD’s annual convention. The award winner is expected to be registered and present at the convention and to be in attendance at the Awards Ceremony. The Chair’s letter will include details regarding the date and time of this special event.

**Required Materials for Application**
Applications must contain all required materials to be reviewed by the screening committee. The required materials for this award can be found in the nomination/application form.
Recreation Specialist of the Year Award Nomination Form

Name of Nominee: ____________________________________________________________

Current Position: ____________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________
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Phone: ___________________ Email: _____________________________________________

Please respond to each below, explaining why the nominee is worthy of the award.

I. EDUCATION

II. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

III. SERVICE TO GAHPERD

IV. SERVICE TO PROFESSIONAL AREA

V. SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS IN PROFESSIONAL AREA (Awards, Special Recognition, etc.)

VI. SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

VIII. MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Person Making the Nomination: ________________________________________________