



# **LAKES & PRAIRIES**

## **DISTRICT EXCHANGE**

### **CLUBS**



Dear Exchange Club Officer:

Enclosed are the 2018-19 Nomination Forms for this year's District Recognition Awards. Please pass this information on to your designated Awards Chairperson in your club.

Each club is encouraged to recognize their outstanding members at the local level and to also submit their nominations for consideration at the district level. Each club has outstanding Exchangites. Let's show our appreciation for their efforts. Please submit your club's nominations no later than **Friday, April 19, 2019**. The district winners will be announced at the District Convention, May 16-19, in Bloomington, Minnesota.

The District Awards will include Exchangite of the Year, Rookie of the Year, All American Volunteer of the Year, Exchangite Hall of Fame Award, Best Club, Best Club Bulletin, and Best Club Web Site.

District Youth Awards will also be given for Student of the Year and A.C.E. Those nominations are due no later than **Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**. The 2018-19 theme for Youth of the Year is, "How I am a catalyst in my community."

Please note that award winners must be present at the District Meeting Awards Banquet in order to receive the award being given. These include Student of the Year, A.C.E., "Exchangite of the Year", "Rookie of the Year" and "All American Volunteer" awards. Confirmation from the club that the winner will be in attendance will be required before printing plaques. If the individual does not show after having confirmation, the club will be asked to reimburse the district for the cost incurred. The exception to this rule is the "Exchangite Hall of Fame" award. They do not need to be present to be awarded the honor. Best Club, Best Bulletin and Best Website can be accepted by any club member in attendance, but must have someone there to accept.

Thank you for taking the time to say thank you to our fellow Exchangites and youth recognizing them for their outstanding contributions to your club, communities and country.

Lakes & Prairies  
Awards Committee Chair

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## **LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT AWARDS CRITERIA**

**EXCHANGITE OF THE YEAR AWARD** – this award is given to an individual who has excelled in Exchange during the current 2018-19 award year. It includes efforts in membership, leadership, volunteerism and active participation in Exchange activities.

**ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD** – this award is given to an individual who joined Exchange after July 1, 2017. It is awarded to an individual who has really stepped up to the plate as a **NEW** Exchangite. The criteria is the same as for the Exchangite of the Year, but must fit within the less than two year membership date parameters.

**ALL AMERICAN VOLUNTEER AWARD** – this award is designed specifically for the Club Level Volunteer. It is **NOT** associated with leadership levels. Any member serving as a district or national officer during the past five years is ineligible. The volunteer must have attended at least 75% of their club meetings and participated in at least 80% of their club projects.

**EXCHANGITE HALL OF FAME AWARD** – this award is given to an individual who has been a member of Exchange for a minimum of 25 years. It is based on the contributions of the individual throughout the 25 plus years and includes all aspects of Exchange; club, district, and national. It is a Life Time Achievement Award.

**BEST CLUB AWARD** – criteria for this award include, but are not limited to, community service projects, Americanism projects, Youth projects and club projects involving Child Abuse Prevention. It also includes membership growth and retention. The Award is a traveling Best Club Banner for your club to display at club meetings and events. The club will retain possession of the banner until the awards ceremony the following year.

**BEST CLUB BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER AWARD** – choose five bulletins/newsletters that the club has printed between July 1, 2018 and April 1, 2019. Criteria is based on content; is it balanced, promotes participation and significant news, and contains the appropriate Exchange logos; readability, and eye appeal. More specific criteria can be found on the National website – [www.nationalexchangeclub.org](http://www.nationalexchangeclub.org)

**BEST CLUB WEBSITE AWARD** – websites will be rated on the content, structure, visual design, and functionality. It follows much of the same guidelines as the Bulletin/Newsletter award.



**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
EXCHANGITE OF THE YEAR AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**NOMINEE Name:**

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**Club Name:**

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**Date Nominee Joined Exchange:** \_\_\_\_\_

**List and describe nominee's involvement in your local Exchange club (activities for 2018-19)**

**Membership:**

**Number of new members sponsored:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership:**

**Served on Board of Directors:**

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**Served as a Committee Chair:**

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**Chaired a Major Fundraiser:**

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**Bulletin Editor:**

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**Other: (May include letter from individual(s) submitting nomination)**

**List and describe nominee's involvement in the Lakes & Prairies District Exchange (2018-19)**

**Leadership:**

**Served on Board of Directors:**

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**Served as Officer:**

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**Chaired District Committee:**

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**Served on District Committee:**

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**Attended District Convention:**

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**Other:**

**List and describe nominee's involvement in the National Exchange**

**Attended past National Conventions:**

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**Describe any other Exchange or Community Involvement: (may use separate sheet of paper)**

**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**NOMINEE Name:**

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\*Must have joined Exchange after July 1, 2017

**Club Name:**

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**Date Nominee Joined Exchange:** \_\_\_\_\_

**List and describe nominee's involvement in your local Exchange club within the last two years**

**Membership:**

**Number of new members sponsored:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership:**

**Served on Board of Directors:**

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**Served as a Committee Chair:**

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**Chaired a Major Fundraiser:**

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**Bulletin Editor:**

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**Other: (May include letter from individual(s) submitting nomination)**

**List and describe nominee's involvement in the Lakes & Prairies District Exchange (2018-19)**

**Leadership:**

**Served on Board of Directors:**

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**Served as Officer:**

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**Chaired District Committee:**

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**Served on District Committee:**

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**Attended District Convention:**

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**Other:**

**List and describe nominee's involvement in the National Exchange**

**Attended past National Conventions:**

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**Describe any other Exchange or Community Involvement: (may use separate sheet of paper)**

**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
ALL AMERICAN VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR  
NOMINATION FORM**

**\*This Award is designed for the Club Level Volunteer. Any member serving as a District or National Officer during the last five (5) years is ineligible.**

**NOMINEE Name:**

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**Club Name:**

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**Date Nominee Joined Exchange:**

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**List Only Activities for the 2018-19 Year:**

**Describe nominee's involvement in your LOCAL Exchange Club.**

**List Committee's Served On:**

**Number of Days during the year Nominee worked for Exchange:**

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**How many hours did the Nominee work for Exchange:**

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**How many different projects did Nominee participate:**

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**Nominee attended at least 75% of Club Meetings:**      \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Nominee participated in at least 80% of Club Projects:**      \_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Describe any other Exchange or Community Involvement:**

**Please attach a narrative describing this person, their passion for volunteerism and Exchange.**

**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
EXCHANGITE HALL OF FAME AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**NOMINEE Name:**

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\*Must have been a member for 25 years. If there was a gap in membership, all years of membership should be included in the total.

**Club Name:**

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**Date Nominee Joined Exchange:** \_\_\_\_\_ **or Total Years of Membership** \_\_\_\_\_

**List and describe nominee's involvement in your local Exchange club over the 25 years**

**Membership:**

**Number of new members sponsored:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership:**

**Served on Board of Directors:**

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**Served as a Committee Chair:**

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**Chaired a Major Fundraiser:**

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**Editor:**

**Bulletin**

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**Other: (May include letter from individual(s) submitting nomination)**

**List and describe nominee's involvement in the Lakes & Prairies District Exchange (Minnesota or Heartland)**

**Leadership:**

**Served on Board of Directors:**

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**Served as Officer:**

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**Chaired District Committee:**

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**Served on District Committee:**

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**Attended District Convention:**

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**Other:**

**List and describe nominee's involvement in the National Exchange**

**Attended past National Conventions:**

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**Describe any other Exchange or Community Involvement: (may use separate sheet of paper)**

**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
BEST CLUB AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**CLUB Name:**

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**Date Club Chartered:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Current Members:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of Members July 1, 2018** \_\_\_\_\_

**List Only Activities for the 2018-19 Year:**

**NSA Award Earned Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**List and describe club's community service projects:**

**List and describe club's Americanism projects:**

**List and describe club's Youth projects:**

**List and describe club's Child Abuse Prevention projects:**

**List or describe other community-related activities or involvement: (projects, activities, fundraisers, awards programs, etc.)**

**What makes your club stand out from other clubs? Why are you the "BEST" club?**

**Describe Membership Growth and Retention efforts:  
(e.g.: Club Contests, Challenges, Meet & Greet, Rush Party etc.)**

**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
BEST CLUB BULLETIN/NEWSLETTER AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**CLUB Name:**

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**Bulletin Name:**

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**Editor Name:**

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**Number of Current Club Members:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The Bulletin/Newsletter is published:** \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly \_\_\_\_\_ monthly

**Is the Bulletin/Newsletter:** \_\_\_\_\_ Hard Copy or \_\_\_\_\_ Electronic or \_\_\_\_\_ Both

**Please submit five club Bulletins/Newsletter published between July 1, 2018 and April 1, 2019  
(attach to this nomination form)**

**Add any additional comments or attach special editions.**



**LAKES & PRAIRIES DISTRICT  
BEST CLUB WEBSITE AWARD  
NOMINATION FORM**

**CLUB Name:**

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**Website Name:**

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**URL or Web Address of site: http://**

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**Web Master Name:**

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**Number of Current Club Members:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Website is Updated** \_\_\_\_\_ **Daily** \_\_\_\_\_ **Weekly** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Monthly**

**Please submit five copies of Web Cover Page with list of content July 1, 2018 and April 1, 2019 and attach to this nomination form.**

**Add any additional comments or attach special editions.**

**Club Officer Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the above site is the official site of the** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Club.**

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**Signature of Club Officer**