

Member of the Year Award

Purpose: To give recognition to an individual who has shown outstanding personal achievement, leadership abilities, and dedication to the local association, their state council, Region VIII and NAIW, which surpasses the accomplishments of other members of the region.

1. The current Member of the Year recipient shall be the chairman of this award committee and shall appoint three (3) NAIW members outside of Region VIII to judge entries.
2. The Regional Awards Committee Chairman shall send notification to all local associations and invitation to submit their essay entry for one (1) nominee, who must show the submitting association as their association of record with NAIW. The notification letter must be sent out prior to December 1 and contain the name, address, and telephone number of the Member of the Year Chairman. All entries are to be returned directly to this chairman not later than February 1. The Member of the Year Award Chairman shall coordinate and forward entries to the selected judges.
3. Any member of the region whose association of record is in Region VIII is eligible as a nominee for this award, with the exception of the presiding regional vice president and any previous Member of the Year Award recipient.
4. Each entry shall consist of:
 - A. An essay of not more than 1,000 words, which addresses the nominee's qualifications in as stated in the award's purpose.
 - B. A detailed resume, which includes, but is not limited to, the categories listed in the point system. The committee shall assign the points to each entry based on the criteria and point system shown in item 8 of this section.
5. The Award Committee may also consider entries from the prior year, as long as the nominee's membership status and association affiliation is unchanged.
6. If in the collective judgment of the committee none of the submissions have met the point system criteria or reflect the purpose or the spirit of the award, no award shall be given.
7. The Award shall be presented at the Regional Conference.

8. The points shall be based on:

<u>State, Regional, and National Level</u>	<u>Point Value</u>
Committee Chairmanships held	3 points each
State Meetings, Conferences, and Conventions Attended	2 points each
General Participation	3 points maximum
 <u>Local Association Level</u>	
Officer or Director positions held	4 points each
Chairmanships held	1 point each
General Participation	4 points maximum
Attendance	2 points maximum
 <u>Education</u>	
Insurance education courses, classes, seminars, and institutes attended	1 point each (10 point maximum)
CPIW/CPIM designation	2 points
Other insurance designations ie CPCU, CIC, CLU, ARM, AAI, AIS, AAU, etc.	1 point each
MINIMUM points required for eligibility	23 points