YMCA MAN OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

PROGRAM OVERVIEW 2015
The 63rd YMCA Man of the Year banquet will be held Monday night, December 7, 2015. This is an outstanding way for you to learn how many caring adults make opportunities available to youth.

Each Student YMCA, YMCA Branch, Youth in Government club, or Interpersonal Youth Leadership program is asked to select 2 representatives (who will become your Presentation Committee members) from their group to interview your candidate and present them at the Presentation Meeting. The Man of the Year Leadership helps select the winning nominee. All Presentation Committee members should attend the Orientation on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 6pm at the Britton YMCA.

You can look to www.studentymca.org/moty for a list of suggested sources from which your club/program can find a nominee. Your group’s nominee does not have to come from this list.

Criteria considered in selection:
1. Exceptional service to youth—activities they do with youth, any age from babies to college students. Good examples of this are coaching teams, mentoring, or teaching a Sunday School Class.
2. YMCA Board Work/Committee Work – primarily with a YMCA board. Other boards in the city are also important such as school boards, executive boards, etc.
3. Originality of Service – Is the nominee’s service new and different? Is it something that hasn’t been done a million times before? The more original, the better.
4. Professional Leadership–leadership positions held, recognition by adults. Good examples of this are election or appointed people to public office, public recognition of achievements, and leadership in civic clubs. How high is their position? How are they perceived in the workplace? Do they use their position to help youth?
5. Church Leadership – Roles they hold in church such as deacons, Sunday School teachers, counselors, pastors, etc.
6. Presentation – This is based on how well the Presentation Committee and Leadership presents their nominee.

**A nominee whose profession is working with youth is ineligible unless he/she has done something extraordinary, over and above their job. This includes teachers, coaches, etc. YMCA Staff are ineligible as well.

Benefits for youth:
- Public Speaking
- Planning Events
- Community Involvement
- Interview Skills
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Nominees must be approved (so that no 2 groups select the same person). Nominee approval begins at **4:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 1** at [www.studentymca.org](http://www.studentymca.org). No nominees will be selected before this date. Please have 3 people (in order) in case another group has selected the same person. You will have immediate approval of your nominee at that time. Please do **NOT** contact your nominee without getting this approval!

NOMINATION FORM

Nominations for Man of the Year Award may come from any Student YMCA, YMCA Branch, Government Club or Interpersonal Youth Leadership courses. Student YMCAs can present one nominee for every concentration they have (Service Learning, Civic Engagement, Christian Mission, Mentoring, and Leadership Development).

**Qualifications**

The man of the Year must fulfill the following qualifications:

- Man of the Year nominees may be male or female.
- Nominees **must** be engaged in YMCA Boards, YMCA Committees, and/or YMCA Programs
- Special consideration should be given to the service that he/she has performed during the last 12 months, October 2014 to October 2015
- The service performed were not done in connection with his/her occupations, but were civic duties performed through the giving of his/her own time to such deeds.
- Service must be done to help youth, either by direct contact or by services on Boards and Committees that work for the betterment of youth.

Banquet

The Man of the Year will be presented at a banquet held in his/her honor on **Monday, December 7th @ 6:30 p.m.** at Trinity Presbyterian Church. All club members should attend the banquet. Costs of the tickets are $17.50 each. Each club will be given the responsibility of contacting their Man of the Year nominee and bringing him/her and their spouse to the banquet. Each club will be expected to pay for their nominee and his/her spouse. Tables will be set for 10 people and each nominating group should have 1 or 2 tables filled.
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Selection

Man of the Year Leadership: Led by an appointed Chairman and Co-Chair, the Man of the Year Leadership is composed of student leaders from high schools across Montgomery. These leaders will help facilitate the team meetings, plan the banquet, perform nominee cross-checks and vote at the final selection meeting for Man of the Year.

Presentation Committee: Composed of the selected student representatives of the Student YMCA, YMCA Branches, Youth in Government clubs, and Interpersonal Youth Leadership classes. Only 2 students can represent a nominee. The Presentation committee will perform a thorough examination of their nominee by completing:

1. An interview with nominee
2. A practice presentation with their club advisor or YMCA Branch Director.

Team Selection Meetings:
Each nominee must be presented at a team selection meeting to be considered as a finalist for the Man of the Year Award. The Presentation committee will be separated into three teams and present their nominee on the assigned meeting date. Each Nominee will be presented by up to two student representatives. At each meeting the student representatives must be prepared to explain the qualifying criteria of their Man of the Year nominee. Each nominee will be rated according to the criteria. In result, there will be a top nominee for each team that will move on to the final selection. If teams are unable to decide on one nominee, they can send two nominees if they Chairs of that team agree.

Final Selection Meeting: (Man of the Year Leadership only)
At the final selection meeting, representatives of the Man of the Year Leadership will present the final three Man of the Year nominees by explaining the cross check reports and further qualifications. No one except the Chairman of the Man of the Year Leadership will know the committee’s decision until the banquet.

Meeting Dates:

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<td>Man of the Year Leadership Orientation</td>
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<td>Thurs, October 1</td>
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<td>Presentation Committee Orientation</td>
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<td>Team A Meeting: Be prepared to present your Nominee</td>
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<td>Team C Meeting: Be prepared to present your Nominee</td>
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*Presentation Committee members must be present at Orientation and Team meeting
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Suggested Sources for Nominees

YMCA City Wide Board and Committee
YMCA Branch Boards and Committees
YMCA Boys Work Committee
Church Leaders if also leaders in the YMCA
Civic Leaders if also leaders in the YMCA
United Way if also leaders in the YMCA
Kiwanis Club: Fair Projects Related
Optimist Club: Youth Appreciation Week
Student YMCA Advisors and Club Leaders

SELECTION PROCESS

Example

Team Selection Meeting 1
8 nominees

Team Selection Meeting 2
8 nominees

Team Selection Meeting 3
8 nominees

Final Selection Meeting
3 nominees
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NOMINATION FORM

Nominated By (Group): ___________________________________________________________

Man of the Year Candidate: ______________________________________________________

Home Address: _________________________________________________________________

City __________________________ Zip ________________________________

Business Address: ______________________________________________________________

City __________________________ Zip ________________________________

Work Phone __________________________ Home/Cell Phone __________________________

Church: _________________________________________________________________

Nominee has been contacted and has accepted nomination  □ Yes  □ No

Submit your nominee’s information on the website at www.studentymca.org by October 16. You will NOT be able to enter the information until you have been approved for the Nominee on Oct. 9.

The criteria for the selection are as follows:
(use quotes from family, friends or co-workers on online form)

1. Exceptional Service to Youth
2. YMCA Board and Committee work.
3. Originality of his/her services.
4. Professional Leadership
5. Church leadership.

For more information about the Man of the Year Program and to fill out your nomination form online go to www.studentymca.org/moty.