Call for Nominations 2016 NWBA

Bill and Julie Duncan Good Guy Award

The NWBA Bill and Julie Duncan Good Guy Award is presented annually to an NWBA volunteer who exemplifies a commitment to wheelchair basketball at the grassroots level through contributions to a local team, conference or the national organization. The Good Guy Award recipient will be announced at the National Wheelchair Basketball Championships, and receive a commemorative plaque as well as a $250 contribution to the NWBA team of the recipient’s choice.

History

The award was initially created in the memory of Bill Duncan, a long time NWBA member. Bill founded the Golden State Warriors in 1976 and served in team, conference, national and international roles in the NWBA until his untimely death due to cancer in 2000. Bill and Julie, his wife, were committed to the grass roots development and growth of teams on the local community level, and served tirelessly as NWBA volunteers. Upon Bill's death, many friends and colleagues remembered him as 'one of the Good Guys' and Julie, working with the NWBA, chose to honor him with this award. Julie Barnett Duncan continued Bill’s legacy, serving as NWBA Treasurer, founder and coach of the Hill on Wheels team, national tournament director and many other roles. In 2009, we lost Julie to cancer and the name of the award was changed to honor both of these incredible people and continue the legacy to the NWBA.

Selection Criteria

1. A minimum of 5 years involvement with an NWBA team in a volunteer capacity

2. Demonstrates a strong commitment to the grassroots efforts to develop and promote the sport of wheelchair basketball.

3. Has made significant contributions as a coach, administrator, fundraiser, officer or other role, to an NWBA team, conference or the national organization.

How to Make a Nomination

To nominate an NWBA Bill and Julie Duncan Good Guy for 2016, submit a one-page letter of nomination, outlining how the nominee meets the above criteria and briefly describing his or her contributions. Nominations are reviewed by a panel of former Good Guy recipients and Duncan family members who select the winner.
E-mail Nominations to: Cheryl Vines, Chair
Bill and Julie Duncan Good Guy Award Committee:

hcvines@aol.com

Nomination Due Date: ALL Nominations must be received by March 10, 2016. Receipt confirmation will be provided.

Previous Winners

2001  Paul Jackson, Cheryl Vines
2002  Vena McCormick
2003  Al Youakim
2004  John Sikora
2005  Joe and Roseanne Kirlin
2006  Jo Fowler
2007  Eddie Diggs
2008  Herman Key Sr.
2009  Guy Perry
2010  Mike Godsey
2011  Bob Anger
2012  Trish and Ron Labar
2013  Lisa Russ
2014  Larry Turner (posthumously)
2015  George Kiefner

Additional Information or Questions

Please contact Cheryl Vines at 501-580-8513 or hcvines@aol.com