



Second Annual

H.C.S.C. Golden Rule Award for Community Service

Final Results!

We would like to recognize and thank these three nominees for submitting their great volunteer efforts for our second ever Golden Rule Award for Community Service:

Jane Brown, Southeast RMG, Lavonia, GA - Northeast Georgia Council of Boy Scouts

Richard G. Shankle Indiana RMG, Auburn, IN - Auburn/Waterloo Trail Community Foundation

Ross Willour SoCal RMG, Palm Springs, CA – Columbian Retirement Home, Marysville, CA.

All the nominations were outstanding and by agreement of the Executive Board, it was determined that all three should be recognized as National Co-Winners of the Second Annual Golden Rule Award for Community Service!!

And our national recipients, here is a brief recap of the outstanding volunteer work they do (in alphabetical order)



Jane Brown (Southeast RMG)

Jane has been involved as a volunteer in the Northeast Council of Boy Scouts in Georgia for over 36 years! She has been able to do this work during her retirement via email, Zoom and phone in addition to much commuting to and from Scoutland, Georgia on Lake Lanier and Camp Rainey Mountain. Jane has served in many positions on the council including Assistant Council Commissioner for over ten years.



Richard G. Shankle (Indiana RMG)

Richard has served as President of the Auburn/Waterloo Trail Committee through 2024 whose mission it is to upgrade the 6.2 mile trail to meet State of Indiana standards and to become part of the longer 81 mile Poka-Bache Trail, the longest in the state. Richard has been involved in fundraising including seeking grants from the state. Close to ten

thousand guests used the trail last year and Richard hopes the completion of the trail upgrade will improve the quality of life for residents in Northeast Indiana.



Ross Willour (Southern Cal RMG)

Ross has volunteered for various causes as a 42 year member of the Knights of Columbus including the Wheelchair Mission operated by Chris Lewis (son of Jerry Lewis), the Frank Nigro Foundation assisting people with intellectual disabilities, and currently President of the Board of the Columbian Retirement Home Inc., a nonprofit corporation of the Knights of Columbus which owns and operates a twenty unit independent living facility for seniors fifty-five and over.

Jane, Richard and Ross, we are proud of your volunteer contributions to your various causes and how you are bettering the life of those you serve in your communities.

Congratulations!

Our National co-winners will have a check for \$200.00 donated in their names to their charities/foundations. A certificate of appreciation has been emailed to each co-winner and a copy to their RMG President for recognition at an upcoming RMG event.

Our sincere thanks to these three National co-winners and we salute their continued commitment to their volunteer causes.

We are happy to accept nominations for the 3rd annual Golden Rule Award for Community Service for 2026 at any time. The 2026 deadline for nominations will be April 15, 2026.

Remember, all National Only and RMG members can self-nominate themselves and their volunteer efforts for consideration for this special award. For more details, check for the guidelines on our National website.