



Franklin Tomorrow's Annual

Anne T. Rutherford

Exemplary Community Volunteer Awards

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2010 Nomination Packet

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Saturday, July 10, 2010 5:30-8:00p

The Shed behind The Factory at Franklin

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General Information

The Awards

In 2007, Franklin Tomorrow established the Anne T. Rutherford Exemplary Community Volunteer Award to honor the decades of service and tremendous impact that Mrs. Rutherford has in Franklin, Tennessee. In the following years, the Awards grew to include Volunteer Spirit Awards and the Youth Initiative Award. We announce the top 3 candidates for each award in June. Then all 5 award winners are announced at our Annual Shrimp Boil in July! We are honored to celebrate the lives of those in our community who give selflessly to support and encourage in our local organizations. Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors, a cash contribution will be made on behalf of each award recipient to the non-profit of their choice.

Anne T. Rutherford

Anne T. Rutherford is a longtime Franklin resident whose volunteer spirit has aided numerous organizations, including Franklin Tomorrow, United Way, and the Historic Carnton Plantation. The Anne T. Rutherford Exemplary Community Volunteer Award was created by Franklin Tomorrow to honor her commitment to our community and celebrate her legacy of service.

Franklin Tomorrow

Franklin Tomorrow is a community wide effort to create and implement a shared vision for the future of Franklin, Tennessee. Franklin Tomorrow began in 2000 as an outgrowth of Leadership Franklin and the continuing effort to identify needs in our community. It is a place where those who work, live and play in Franklin can have a opportunity to share in the future of Franklin. The strategy groups are constantly evolving to reflect today's challenges and form a vibrant Franklin Tomorrow. We are a non-profit, 501c(3) organization focused on communicating our shared and evolving vision through focus, education, advocacy and accountability. We welcome all to be part!

4th Annual Franklin Tomorrow Shrimp Boil

This year's celebration presented by First Tennessee Bank will be at The Shed behind The Factory at Franklin on Saturday, July 10, 2010 from 5:30p-8:00p. Evites will be sent in May and reservations will be required by the end of June. **One** complimentary ticket to the Shrimp Boil is available to each of the finalists, allowing them to attend. Finalists will be named in June. Additional tickets for guests and nominees may be purchased in advance online at www.franklintonomorrow.org. RSVP is required for all Shrimp Boil nominees. Thank you.

Nomination Tips

For years, nominees have said what an honor it is to be considered for the Anne T. Rutherford Exemplary Community Volunteer Awards. Here are some tips to writing nominations that really stand out and reflect the true commitment of your nominees. Remember that you may know your volunteer really well, but the one-page description you submit is how the Awards committee gets to know your nominee.

- ~ Include compelling examples and/or stories of the nominees volunteer service with the agency and/or clients.
- ~ Describe how the nominee stands apart from all the rest.
- ~ Cite any special challenges the nominee has overcome.
- ~ Discuss the impact of the nominee's service on the overall work of the agency or organization.

Taking the time to write a thorough nomination could provide a wonderful, lifetime memory for your volunteer. Please tell your volunteer that you have nominated him/her for this award.

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Eligibility and Selection Process

Eligibility

Deserving volunteers may be nominated by any community member or staff person.. Nominees must be actively volunteering at one or more organizations in Franklin/Williamson County. If the nominator is not with the volunteer agency of the nominee, please provide contact information for the agency.

Please note that some are not eligible for participation, including past award recipients, individuals involved in "court mandated community service" or those receiving compensation for service rendered.

Nomination Process

Multiple nominations may be submitted in each category; however, only one nomination per agency will be eligible for the finalist in each category. An exception is made for umbrella agencies with multiple site locations that operate independently. Each independent site may submit nominations. This exception does not apply to multiple programs or departments within one agency.

Nominations must be accompanied by a Nomination Form, a one-page statement, and a photo of the nominee. The one-page statement is very important as it introduces our Awards Committee to the nominees. Nominations not submitted with the one-page statement will not be included in the Awards selection process. A photo is also required (digital photos are highly preferred.). The photo will be used to recognize the winners as well as allow the Awards Committee to get to know the nominees more personally.

The deadline for submitting nominations is midnight on Friday, May 28, 2010.

It is the nominator's responsibility to inform all persons that they have been nominated.

Nominating persons will receive an email confirmation within 3 business days of submitting nominations.

If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact Natalie Dodd at 615.794.0998 or natalie@franklintomorrow.org

Selection Process

The Awards Committee will be responsible for screening and selecting the finalists in each award category. The Awards committee is made up of community volunteers, volunteer administrators, business leaders and civic leaders. The winners will be selected through a voting process within the Franklin Tomorrow Board of Directors.

Finalist Notification

Finalists and their nominators are notified in June. Phone calls will be made to all finalists. Emails will follow to the finalists and their nominators. Names of the award recipients are kept confidential until the presentation at the Shrimp Boil on July 10th, 2010 at The Shed behind The Factory at Franklin. Advance tickets required for the event. See General Info—4th Annual Shrimp Boil for more details.

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Award Categories

Anne T. Rutherford Exemplary Community Volunteer Award

Individuals eligible for this award are involved in a variety of community activities. The collective effect of their work has impact on the agencies themselves and the community at large. Consideration is given to each nominee's variety of work and overall impact. One award is given in this category annually. We look for a heart for service and a dedication to the community at large.

2009 Recipient: **Duke Ellis** was recognized for his work with First Presbyterian Church, Stephen Ministry, Meals on Wheels, Boy Scouts of America, and the Gardens at Carnton Plantation.

Volunteer Spirit Awards

Individuals eligible for these awards are involved either in a variety of community activities or primarily in one organization as a significant volunteer. The effect of their work, either collectively in the community or primarily in one organization, has a profound impact. This individual stands out as altering the environment around them simply by their service and heart for their community. Three awards are given in this category annually.

2009 Recipients:

Carmen Powell was recognized for her work with Against the Grain, whose mission is to empower single mothers to become self-supporting, knowledgeable, productive members of society.

Pat Springer was recognized for his work with Franktown Open Hearts, an organization which works to build a positive future for more than 90 young men (ages 8-18) in Franklin, TN, providing tutoring, mentoring, recreation and a hot meal three nights a week.

Kenneth Young was recognized for his work with the Williamson County Foster Care Review Board, Williamson County Fair, the Boys and Girls Club of Franklin/Williamson County, Mission Lazarus, the Williamson County Law Enforcement Foundation, Williamson County's Relay for Life and his mission trip work.

Youth Initiative Award

Individuals eligible for this award are under the age of 21 and are involved either in a variety of community activities or primarily in one organization as a significant volunteer. The effect of their work, either collectively in the community or primarily in one organization, has a profound impact. This individual stands out as setting a standard of service for the youth in our community. One award is given in this category annually.

2009 Recipient: **Morgan Plunkett** was recognized for her work with Saddle Up, which is middle Tennessee's oldest and largest recreational therapeutic horseback riding program for children with documented disabilities.

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2010 Nomination Form

**Please submit nominations on
or before Friday, May 28th**

Email: natalie@franklintonomorrow.org

Fax: 615.790.4077

Mail: Franklin Tomorrow
PO Box 383
Franklin TN 37065

Confirmation will be sent in 3 business days for all received nomination forms.

Please include:

- One page statement describing the service of the nominee(s). Nominations will not be accepted without this.
- Digital photo of your nominee(s) for event promotion.

NOMINEE:		
Name		
Address	City	Zip
Daytime Phone	Cell Phone	
Email		
Agency(s) of Volunteer Work		
NOMINATED BY:		
Name	Title	
Company Name	Website	
Address	City	Zip
Daytime Phone	Cell Phone	
Email		

Type or paste your one page nomination on the following page or provide it separately.

If provided separately, please include the following information at the top of your nomination page.

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Nominee: _____

Nominated By: _____

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