SERVICE ABOVE SELF AWARD OVERVIEW

The Service above Self Award is given by the Libertyville Sunrise Rotary Club to an individual or group of individuals (such as a couple or a family) who meet the criteria listed below. Nominations should be submitted to the Board of Directors of Sunrise Rotary for consideration. Recipients of the Service Above Self Award receive a commemorative memento, a donation is made to the charity of their choice, and their name is inscribed on the Service Above Self Award plaque that is on display in the Libertyville Civic Center.

Criteria for the award are:

- Is not a Rotarian (does not exclude a family member of a Rotarian);
- Exemplifies the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self";
- Is nominated by a Club member to the Board of Directors;
- Has demonstrated in some distinguishable way that their service efforts benefit others through home, neighborhood, church, club, or community activities;
- Because of the nominee's service activities, the quality of life of others is improved;
- Nominee expected no reward or notoriety because of their service efforts, but sought only to help improve their community, their club, their church, or society as a whole;
- Nominee saw a need and, without hesitation and without being instructed to do so, took on the tasks to meet the need. Normally, these actions are outside of the person's regular job and during the person's free time, which adds greatly to the goodness and unselfishness of their actions.
- Nominee's actions exemplify a person who creates a warm and caring environment in their personal life while also contributing to a greater society.
- Nominee's assistance may be, to some extent, monetary, but the emphasis must be on the most precious commodity time.
- Particular emphasis will be placed on individuals who overcame adversity in their own lives and now help others to do the same.

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