

GRAND LODGE OF MICHIGAN
Free & Accepted Masons
Grand Lodge Youth of the Year Award

YOUTH COMMITTEE

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Dear Masonic Youth Groups of Michigan:
Job's Daughters, Rainbow for Girls & DeMolay.

The Youth Committee of the Grand Lodge of Michigan is pleased to announce an annual Grand Lodge "Youth of the Year" Award for 2016, to be presented to an outstanding member of either the Job's Daughters, Rainbow for Girls or DeMolay.

The following is an outline of the award:

- 1- One annual award to be presented to a member in good standing of either the Job's Daughters, Rainbow for Girls or DeMolay.
- 2- The recipient will be presented with an award of \$500.00. In addition, the recipient's home Bethel, Assembly or Chapter will receive a cash award of \$100.00.
- 3- A plaque with the recipient's name & the youth group inscribed will be presented to the recipient's Bethel, Assembly or Chapter for display during the year. The plaque must be returned (in order to be passed on to the next year's recipient) by May 1st, to the following address:

Grand Lodge of Michigan F. & A.M.
1204 Wright Avenue
Alma, Michigan 4881-1133
Attention: Awards

- 4- A smaller plaque will be given to the recipient to keep at the time of the award.

Award Criteria:

- 1- Each application must include the name, home address, home or cell phone number, e-mail address; date of birth, parent/guardian names, name of youth group applicant belongs to, the number of years of involvement and current/past positions in the group.
- 2- Each applicant must submit an essay (between 300 and 500 words) based on a topic selected by the Grand Lodge Youth Committee.
- 3- List of the applicant's community involvement / volunteer service / awards / achievements
- 4- Presiding Grand Officers (GBHQ, GWA, and SMC) are not eligible.
- 5- Other groups, teams or organizations the applicant belongs to.
- 6- Signature of Applicant, Parent/Guardian & local Youth Group Adult Leader.

Timing:

- 1- Information on the award will be distributed to each of the three State Youth Group Leaders, by October 15th of each year for distribution, throughout their respective groups.
- 2 -Applications must be returned to the Grand Lodge Office by March 15th.
- 3- Applications will be considered confidential and reviewed internally by the Grand Lodge Youth Committee.
- 5- The Youth Committee will select the recipient and the decision of the Committee will be final.
- 5- The recipient will be contacted by the Committee on or before May 1st each year.
- 7- The recipient will be announced at the annual Communication of Grand Lodge in May/June.
- 8- The Youth Committee, along with the Grand Master, will make arrangements with the recipient for the presentation of the Award.

Sincerely and Fraternaly
Grand Lodge Youth Committee
October 1, 2016

**Grand Lodge of Michigan
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YOUTH of the YEAR AWARD

APPLICATION FORM

October 1, 2016

First Name _____

Middle Name _____

Last Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____

Zip Code _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail _____

Date of Birth _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Parent / Guardian (Father) _____

(Mother) _____

Name of Youth Group _____

Date joined Youth Group _____

Position in Youth Group _____

Past positions and awards from your youth group

Community involvement / Volunteer service / Achievements / Awards

Other groups/teams/organizations you belong to

[Topic for (300 – 500) word essay]

“Tell us why a young Man/Young Woman should consider joining your Youth Group, and what will the Youth Group do for them ?”

Signed Application

Once you have completed the application and printed it out, it **must** have the following three signatures.

Applicant’s Signature

In submitting these materials, I certify that all of the information submitted in support of my application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and ability.

(Applicants Signature)

(Date)

Parent / Guardian Approval

I certify that the information provided by the applicant is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

(Parent / Guardian Signature)

(Date)

(Youth Group Adult Leader Signature)

(Date)

Please mail a hard copy of the application to:

**Grand Lodge of Michigan
1204 Wright Avenue
Alma, Michigan 48801-1133
Attention: Youth Committee**

**and email a copy of the application to:
Grand Lodge Office**

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