

GRAND LODGE  
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**TO: All Exalted Rulers and Lodge Secretaries**

**SUBJECT: Grand Exalted Ruler Outstanding Member Commendations and Special Citations**

Enclosed are the request forms for the Grand Exalted Ruler Awards for 2009-2010. The criteria for earning these awards are detailed in the Grand Lodge-Lodge Activities/State Associations Program pamphlet, as well as on the request forms. These awards are an excellent motivational tool available to you to build pride in your membership and a special way for you to thank those Members who have helped you demonstrate to your Lodge and community that *"Elks Care — Elks Share."*

Grand Exalted Ruler Nicholson laid out an ambitious program this year with challenging goals for our Lodges and Members. Both the Grand Exalted Ruler and the Grand Lodge-Lodge Activities/State Associations Committee consider it an honor to recognize your Members who have worked hard to achieve our goals, but we cannot do it without your recommendation.

Remember, the **Exalted Ruler** can select **TWO** outstanding Members. Please take the time right now to request these awards from your Grand Lodge Area Committeeman listed on the reverse side of the forms. Please allow two weeks for processing.

If you qualify for the Subordinate Lodge and Exalted Ruler Special Citation, it would be appreciated if you order these at the same time to save on the cost of additional mailings.

**DEADLINE MARCH 31st!**

*Sincerely and fraternally,*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donald Sansoussi".

**Donald Sansoussi, Chairman**

*G/L-Lodge Activities/State Associations Committee*

# GRAND EXALTED RULER AWARDS

Certification



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## EXALTED RULER and SUBORDINATE LODGE certification request for G.E.R. Special Citation Award

We hereby certify that the Exalted Ruler and Subordinate Lodge named below have met the requirements as checked and are therefore qualified to receive the *Grand Exalted Ruler's Special Citation* to be awarded by **Grand Exalted Ruler James L. Nicholson** for having demonstrated: "*Elks Care — Elks Share!*"

**Requirements:**

**A.** Special Citations will be awarded to:

Exalted Rulers who participate in FOUR (4) or more of the following:

- ER**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Community Service and Image Brochure Contest
  - \_\_\_\_\_ "Hoop Shoot®" Program
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Scholarship Program
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Achieve \$4.50 Elks National Foundation per capita goal plus participating membership by all Lodge Officers.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Participation in at least THREE (3) of the following:
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (a) All-American Lodge Contest
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Americanism Brochure Contest
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (c) Drug Awareness Program
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (d) Elks Memorial Day Brochure Program
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (e) Elks National Youth Week
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (f) Lodge Bulletin Contest
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (g) Ritualistic Contest
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (h) Student/Teenager of the Month/Year Program
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (i) Veterans Service and/or Adopt-A-Vet Programs

Subordinate Lodges who participate in SIX (6) or more of the following:

- S/L**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Community Service and Image Brochure Contest
  - \_\_\_\_\_ "Hoop Shoot®" Program
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Ritualistic Contest
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Scholarship Program
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Veterans Service and/or Adopt-A-Vet Programs
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Drug Awareness Program
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Every Officer a subscribing member of the Elks National Foundation
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Day Program

**B.** For each Subordinate Lodge that attains at least TWO (2) of the following goals:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Every Lodge Officer elected and appointed (15), sponsors a New/Reinstated Member.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Achieves the level of \$4.50 per Member in donations to the Elks National Foundation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Achieves a net gain of at least ONE (1) Member.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Achieves a level at or below TWO PERCENT (2%) lapsation (*as noted in Section C below*).

**C.** A Grand Exalted Ruler's Special Citation will be awarded to each Lodge with a lapsation rate of TWO PERCENT (2%) or less as of March 31, 2010. Entitlement to this award shall be determined by the Office of the Grand Secretary based on information provided by each Subordinate Lodge in its final membership report for the period ending March 31st.

Please **Print** or **Type**:

Exalted Ruler \_\_\_\_\_

Subordinate Lodge Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_

# OUTSTANDING MEMBERS

## Certification request for G.E.R. Special Commendation Award

Each Exalted Ruler is authorized to award TWO (2) Grand Exalted Ruler's Outstanding Service Certificates to Members performing outstanding service for their Lodge. These Certificates must be ordered, in writing, from your **Area Member** of the Grand Lodge-Lodge Activities/State Associations Committee. Please order on a timely basis. Specify any special presentation date required.

Please **Print** or **Type**:

Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Committee/Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Member \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Committee/Comments \_\_\_\_\_

*Such as: Any Member or Chairman of a Lodge Committee; for years of Outstanding Service to the Lodge. Service to the Community; Scouting, Little League, etc.*

Lodge Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_

Special presentation date desired (*allow at least ten working days*) \_\_\_\_\_

Mail Certificates to \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

Exalted Ruler Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Upon completion, please submit the Certificate request to your **Area Committee Member of the Lodge Activities/State Associations Committee of the Grand Lodge** (*names and addresses are listed below*) at any time, *but not later than March 31st*.

### Lodge Activities/State Associations Committee of Grand Lodge 2009-2010

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**Area 4:** Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, West Virginia and Contest "B."

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**Area 6:** Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and State Association Major Project, Web Site Star Awards, and Elks Training Program.

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**Area 8:** Alaska, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington, Wyoming and Contest "D"— Divisions 4, 5, 6.