

NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION FIREMANSHIP – HEROISM – BROWNING MEMORIAL AWARDS

The NSVFA partnering with Ball Insurances are proud to present the 2012 Firemanship – Heroism – Browning Memorial Recognition Awards. **Letters of Nominations are due March 23, 2012 to:**

Marlene Bomar (Chairperson)
NSVFA Special Recognition Committee
PO Box 555
Madison, NE 68748-0555

Dear Members of the NSVFA:

The NSVFA has determined that without your volunteer services provided across this great state; communities and areas which you serve would be without much needed emergency services. Therefore, it has been determined that recognition for services which you provide be recognized. Awards consisting of checks and/or plaques will be presented during the opening ceremonies of the Nebraska State Fire School, Friday, May 18, 2012, at the Heartland Event Center in Grand Island, NE.

To be eligible for these awards, membership in the NSVFA must have been paid no later than December 31, 2011, with the exception of the Heroism awards, which are open to all firefighters within the State of Nebraska.

FIREMANSHIP AWARD

This award shall be presented to (10) ten individual firefighters who have rendered exceptional service to their Department and their community for a minimum of 5 years. This award is based on leadership, organizational abilities, civic activities, and responsibilities. If selected, this member of your department would receive a plaque and a check for \$50.00.

This award is based on what an individual firefighter may have done for their department, community, and his/her responsibility to their jobs, and as a firefighter.

Leadership would include activities important to their Fire Department, community, church organizations, business and development.

Organizational abilities should include their department, business, employment and community efforts.

Firemanship shall include participation in trainings, schools, meetings and that of fire emergencies.

Civic activities pertain to community scouting, business, church groups, policies, etc.

Outstanding activities would be their performance in projects, whether departmental or community.

Responsibility shall include dependability, trust, family, friends, business, and community.

If your department feels you have numerous firefighters deserving of this award, nominate one or all (in writing only – no faxes or emails can be accepted) accompanied with individual letters to the Special Recognition Committee. It would be beneficial to include letters, with your nominations, from chief officers, departmental officers, mayors, clergy, and any other community leaders or organizations.

HEROISM AWARDS

A Heroism award(s) will be presented for Heroic Acts beyond the ordinary duty of a firefighter. Any and all firefighters within the State of Nebraska are eligible for this award. Only one person's name can be submitted per nomination.

A letter from your Department Chief, line officers, or department officers, shall describe the act of "Heroism" of the individual firefighter, which shall include the heroic actions above and beyond. Relating facts as they occurred would be utmost beneficial.

BROWNING MEMORIAL AWARD

Departments are welcome to send letters of nomination for children between the ages of 1 and 16 who are suffering from a life threatening condition or who are severely handicapped for the Browning Memorial Award. Departments are also encouraged to bring gift donations to Fire School which will be presented to the winning child with a trophy during Opening Ceremonies at Fire School, May 18, 2012.