

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD COMMITTEE

Purpose: Receive nominations for a Lifetime Achievement Award from the general membership and to elect two or less individuals each year that have made outstanding contributions to the Weimaraner breed to be recipients of the WCA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Organization: The governing body of the WCA Lifetime Achievement Award is the LAA Committee.

1. Appointees must be members in good standing with the Weimaraner Club of America.
2. The Chairperson shall be appointed annually by the Board of Directors
3. Chairperson will have no voting power, but will be the director of activities.
4. The Chairperson will maintain the Lifetime Achievement Award records.
5. The Chairperson will maintain financial records for annual submission to the Board of Directors.
6. The Chairperson has the power to decide all ties.
7. Members shall be appointed for five year rotating terms by the Board of Directors, one member appointed each year. The geographical regions and areas of competition shall be fairly represented.
8. Nothing shall prevent a person from serving consecutive terms or from holding any other office while serving on this committee.
9. Should a member abstain from voting on a particular person or be unable to vote on the year's slate, then the Chairperson shall vote in his place. Should two members be unable to vote, then the Chairman plus a past member of the committee, chosen by the Chairperson, shall vote instead.

Committee Chair Qualification: Interest in and knowledge of the history of the Weimaraner in the US. Ability to communicate with committee members and promote the program to the members. Ability to communicate by email.

Committee Responsibilities:

1. Follow the procedures described in the Lifetime Achievement Award guidelines and rules.
2. Notify the WCA National Office of the closing date for nominations so that the closing date can be listed in the Events Calendar in The Weimaraner Magazine.
3. On or before the second week following the close of nominations, the Chairperson shall submit to the committee the nominations for their consideration.
4. Investigate all nominees and evaluate all information obtained. Each voting member of the committee shall make an in-depth examination of all nominees.
5. On or before two weeks have elapsed since the mailing of the nominations, the committee members shall return to the Chairperson their yes/no vote on each nominee together with any additional information gathered by the member which might be pertinent to the election of nominees by the committee. (No effort should be made to rank the nominations. The decision to be made is whether each individual would be a worthy recipient of a Lifetime Achievement

Award). A minimum of three "yes" votes shall be required for further consideration. If none have met this requirement, there shall be no recipient for that year.

6. If there are more than two nominees receiving the minimum of three "yes" votes, they shall be resubmitted to the committee for their vote for the final two recipients.

7. On or before two weeks from receipt of the yes/no votes from the committee members, the Chairperson shall resubmit the final nominees to the committee for their vote for the two recipients. (Here is where the committee members will choose the two most worthy of the award year by ranking the individuals on the ballot.)

8. Ballots shall be mailed to the Chairperson BY REGISTERED MAIL.

9. Contact the nominating individual to verify that recipient or a representative of recipient's family be present at the National Specialty Banquet to receive the award.

10. Prepare the Lifetime Achievement Awards for presentation to the individual at the National Specialty Banquet.

11. Awards are to be presented at the National Specialty Banquet and results to be published in The Weimaraner Magazine after presentation at the National Specialty Banquet and posted on the website (results are to be kept secret until announced at the Banquet).

12. Results to be published annually in The Weimaraner Magazine:

- a. Newly elected members
- b. Complete Lifetime Achievement Award listing by year of induction (chronological order) in the June issue
- c. Closing date for nominations is to be included on the national calendar of events

13. Complete information on each recipient to be kept in a designated format by the Chairperson.

14. Complete information on the Lifetime Achievement Award also to be kept by the Executive Secretary.

15. The Chairperson will maintain the LAA records.

16. The Chairperson will maintain financial records for annual submission to the Board of Directors.

Board Reports: Submit report to the Secretary of the Board of Directors 6 weeks prior to each meeting of the Board of Directors.

1. Summarizing committee activity since the last Board of Directors meeting.

2. Include in the report any recommended changes to:

- a. WCA Rules or procedures related to the Committee
- b. Committee responsibilities
- c. Committee organization
- d. Committee Chairperson qualifications

Chairperson: Kelly Photopoulos

Committee Members: Bob Margolis, Leslie Like, Tina Lacey, Cindy Long, Jennifer Martin