Gold Ribbon Award

Background Information

ASHRAE BOD approved a Chapter Gold Ribbon Award in January 1981 (motion 00-10-28-29-57) to reward chapter historians for their efforts in compiling information on significant events in the history of HVAC&R, with the initial emphasis on detailing a chapter's history since its chartering.

Timing for Entries for the Gold Ribbon Award.

An electronic file of the original presentation for the Gold Ribbon Award shall be submitted to the Regional Historian approximately 60 days prior to the CRC. The Regional Historian will submit his/her recommendations to the DRC approximately 45 days prior to the CRC.

The Regional Historian -shall email the list of Gold Ribbon Award winners and respective presentations to the Society headquarters 30 days before the CRC in order for the certificates and ribbons to be mailed to the CRC on time.

The published presentations shall be displayed at CRC.

A digital duplicate copy of the presentations shall be forwarded to the Society library for archiving and for use by the Society Historical Committee.

Selection Process

The Regional Historian and the Director and Regional Chair (DRC) select Gold Ribbon Award winners based on the presentations' historical significance and the original publications in journals, magazines, news letters, and websites. There can be multiple winners annually.

Presentation

The Gold Ribbon is awarded to the chapter for mounting on the chapter awards banner (see Appendix D). The personalized certificate is awarded to the Chapter Historian (see Appendix E). The award is presented by the Regional Historian at the annual CRC. The Award winners shall be recorded in the CRC Minutes. *Records of the Gold Ribbon awards winners shall be forwarded to the Society Historical Committee.*

Gold Ribbon Award for Chapter History.

For winning a Gold Ribbon Award, chapter historians, initially, must complete a minimum of five years of history of their chapter. Thereafter the Gold Ribbon Award can be won for each additional minimum of three-year chapter history update. The ultimate goal is eventually recording or completing the chapter's history back to its founding, as well as describing key events that led up to the formation of the chapter.

Chapter History - Presentation Details

The chapter history shall be in a narrative format, and shall follow a chronological order. Chapter history may include Society and CRC events, Chapter events, list of chapter officers and Fellows, Honors and Awards, photographs and chapter Charter, brief description of chapter's members contribution to Society and HVAC&R and inventions.

Gold Ribbon Award for History of a Person, Company, or System

Chapter historians can win a Gold Ribbon Award for a history of a person (see Appendix M), or a company, or a system., History of a system may include a piece of equipment, or an artefact, technology or project particularly at a site with a heritage listing (see Appendix L).

Acquiring background information can be from within an organization, retired employees, libraries, museums, publications, or company files. Source of information shall be disclosed in the presentation. The presentation shall consist of information of significant value. The presentation shall include photographs and text identifying objects and people on the photographs. The presentation may include graphical material. All material shall be presented in historical perspective.

Authors of ASHRAE historical presentations and articles published in ASHRAE Journal and other technical magazines and journals shall be considered for Gold Ribbon Award. Historical presentations shall be published on Regional websites. Chapter history and historical presentations shall be published on Chapter website and in newsletters. Prior to presenting historical material at CRC it shall be presented at Chapter meetings.

Waiver of Commercial Statement

Society has authorized the use of trade names, manufacturer's names, etc., in historic articles or reports.