

**ROTARY CLUB OF EFFINGHAM COUNTY  
ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD  
GUIDELINES/CRITERIA**

1. **PURPOSE:** To select an individual who is a member of the Rotary Club of Effingham County who has demonstrated outstanding service in the following areas:
  - a. Involvement in Rotary activities (60%)
  - b. Community involvement (30%)
  - c. Church involvement (10%)
  
2. **ELIGIBILITY:** A member of the Rotary Club of Effingham County. The current President is not eligible for selection. All other members including the selection committee are eligible. Once a member has been selected for the award, they will not be eligible to receive the award a second time.
  
3. **COMMITTEE SELECTION:** The first year a committee was appointed by the Board. The original committee selected a chairperson and designated terms of 4,3,2, and 1 to be served by committee members. In future years the current year recipient will replace the committee member whose term has expired. New members will be appointed for four-year terms. The committee member whose term is expiring in the current year will serve as chairman of the committee.
  
4. **NOMINATIONS:** Nominations can be made from the membership of the club. Club members will notify the committee of nominations and provide the committee with justification for the nomination. The committee can also make nominations and they will investigate the candidates and make their selection based on the criteria identified in paragraph one.
  
5. **RECOGNITION:** The Club will donate \$1,000 in honor of the recipient to the Georgia Rotary Student Program. The recipient will be honored as a "Will Watt Fellow." The recipient will be announced and recognized at the year-end social. Any year that the committee decides that the club does not have a qualified recipient; the \$1,000 will still be donated to the Georgia Rotary Student Program.

It is recommended that the solicitation for nominations and the selection process be completed in May of each year.

\* The Board may revise the guidelines and/or criteria as necessary.