

Prerequisites
For awarding
Volunteer Vests
And Recognition Pins
Revision 3 and Clarifications

October 19, 2020

Criteria –

Vests and pins will be awarded to those members, as approved by the Board of Directors, for consistent service at Society functions, since 1995, including Swap Meets, Home Shows, County Fairs, Convention service, Civic Functions, Clinic conductor, or as a Society officer, directors(**At-Large Members***), or committee chairperson. No person shall be awarded more than one vest, regardless of total work shifts served. For those members who have opened their layouts for Rails in the Garden, a special patch **Rev 3 and Year pin for each year open** will be awarded in addition to a vest. Past (**Serving 1 term***) Presidents shall be awarded vests with gold “Conductor” pins. All other pin awards will be silver. Past (**Serving 1 term***) Vice Presidents will be awarded **gold*** “Engineer” pins. Past (**Serving 1 term***) Secretaries, Treasurers, Newsletter Editors **Rev 2 Website manager, At-Large Board Members**, and Committee Chairmen will be awarded **gold*** “Fireman” pins. Should any member choose to forgo the award of a vest and instead opt to use their own Conventions vest, they will awarded a silver Conductor pin in lieu of a vest.

Officers, members of the Board and committee chairs will earn shift credits as follows: President and Vice President will earn three shifts credits per meeting attended, up to ten meetings per year; Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, **Rev 2 Website manager** and Committee Chairmen, two shift credits per meeting attended, up to ten meetings per year; At-Large members of the Board, **REV 2 or any visitor**, one shift credit per meeting attended, up to ten meetings per year.

* Clarification

For Future Performance –

Effective 1 January 2012 –

Any member who volunteers and serves 50 shifts of work, either at a function set-up, running trains or manning the Society Table, or as specified in the “Criteria” section above, shall qualify for the award of a vest with Society patch. Further, in recognition of additional service, any member who volunteers and serves additional shifts of shall be eligible for the award of pin denoting this service – **REV 2(FY2017) – “Carman” for 10 shifts, “Gandy Dancer” for 20 shifts (i.e., 10 shifts more than “Carman”), “Switchman” for 30 shifts, “Brakeman” for 40 shifts, “Fireman” for 50 shifts and Vest with patch for 50 shifts, Engineer 60 shifts, “Conductor” for 70 shifts.**

For Past Performance –

The following persons would qualify for awards under this criteria: Jon Anderson, Steve Anderson, Barry & Gina Blackwell, Nick Buchholz & Mary Ker, Chuck Cook, Madelyn Cook, Bob Conrad, Bob & Phillis Dirksen, Mike & Jane Dorgan, Roy & Mary Ann Eberbach, Willis & Dottie Fagg, George Fitzner, Jack & Rosalie Forgues, Rick & Sue Gast, Marty Hart, Dick Izen, Ken & Mary Karrels, Ron & Helen Koehler, Bruce & Carolyn Lynn, Ryan MacCable, Peggy & Gary Martin, Garb & Dorothy Mechigian, Jim Miller, Glenn & Janet Mitchell, Thorne Piere, Bob & Eileen Schwab, Lew Sleeper, Bruce & Pat Sumerhalder, Joe & Ellen Stoesser, Ruth Taylor, Jerry Tulino, Ibbby & Norm Ulmer, and Ken & Pat Zacharias. Further, in recognition for his service to the TGRS, by virtue of having the Gadsden Pacific Toy Train Museum participate in our “Rails in the Garden” event, Bud Steward, President of GPTTOM, will be given a RITG HOST patch.

Performance Accounting and Control –

The Awards Chairman, serving at the discretion of the Vice President and Board of Directors, will maintain a record of service for every member of the Society, according to the services the member has performed during the Fiscal Year. Based on this record, awards will be given out at the annual Christmas Party following the end of each fiscal year.

John Fennema
Awards Chairman