Dear IEEE-Chicago Colleagues,

The IEEE-Chicago Section Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the 2019 awards by September 30, 2019. In particular, we have two new award categories this year: Award #9) Outstanding STEM Pre-Collegiate Mentoring Award; and Award 11) Outstanding Student Branch Adviser Award. Also, last year’s popular award category also welcomes your nomination: Award 8) Distinguished Research and Development (R&D) Award that will be given to those who did well in IEEE journal publication and IEEE symposium/conference attendance. This year’s awards categories are:

1) Outstanding Section Member Award

The "Outstanding Member" Award is designed to recognize members of Chicago Section who through their professional and technical abilities have made outstanding and noteworthy contributions to the Section, their communities, fellow professionals and fellow man. The award is not designed to recognize a single achievement, but rather collective contributions complemented by singular works exemplifying the objectives and attributes of IEEE. The award will be considered for presentation annually by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

2) Life-time Service Award

The "Distinguished Service" Award is designed to recognize members of Chicago Section who have demonstrated a rare level of dedication and achievement through their long time service and noteworthy contributions to the Section, their communities, fellow professionals and fellow man. The award is not designed to recognize a single achievement, but rather collective contributions complemented by singular works exemplifying the objectives and attributes of IEEE. The award will be considered for presentation annually by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

3) Friends of the IEEE-Chicago Section

The "Friends of the IEEE-Chicago Section" Award is designed to recognize businesses that have provided noteworthy contributions to the Section. The award is not designed to recognize a single act, but rather consistent contributions. The award will be considered for presentation by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

4) Distinguished Mentoring Award

The "Distinguished Mentoring" Award is designed to recognize members of Chicago Section who through their distinguished mentoring have made outstanding and noteworthy contributions to advising IEEE student branch activities at his/her affiliated university. The award is not designed to recognize a single achievement, but rather collective contributions complemented by singular works exemplifying the objectives and attributes of IEEE. The award will be considered for presentation annually by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.
5) Distinguished Officer Award

The "Annual Service" Award is designed to recognize officer of Chicago Section who has served the Chicago Section as an officer of the Section. The award is designed to recognize the officer's contribution to executing the responsibilities of the committee they represent and taking it further. The award will be presented annually by the Chair of the Chicago Section in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

6) Certificate of Appreciation.

The "Certificate of Appreciation" Award is designed to recognize members of Chicago Section who have given their time or provided some noteworthy contributions to the Section. The award is designed to recognize a single achievement/contribution. The award will be considered for presentation by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

7) Outstanding Young Engineer Award

The "Outstanding Young Engineer" Award is designed to recognize members of Chicago Section who have outstanding professional and leadership contributions and service to the engineering profession. The award is not designed to recognize a single act, but rather consistent contributions. The candidate must have a bachelor degree in engineering awarded within past decade.

8) Distinguished Research and Development Award

The "Distinguished Research and Development Award" will be given to IEEE Student Members, IEEE Members, IEEE Senior Members who has made significant progress in research and development in 2019. The criteria of the award are mainly based on the published IEEE journal papers and IEEE symposium/conference papers/abstracts/posters. The minimum required IEEE journal papers number is 1 and the minimum required IEEE symposium/conference papers/abstracts/posters is 1. At last, each nomination will be ranked by the score defined as the sum of impact factors of all IEEE journal papers + the number of IEEE symposium/conference papers/abstract/posters.

9) Outstanding STEM Pre-Collegiate Mentoring Award

The "Outstanding STEM Pre-Collegiate Mentoring" Award is designed to recognize an individual in the Chicago Section area who through their mentoring has made outstanding and noteworthy contributions to IEEE Pre-Collegiate STEM activities at all levels. The award is not designed to recognize a single achievement, but rather collective contributions complemented by singular works exemplifying the objectives and attributes of IEEE. A better GPA is preferred. The award will be considered for presentation annually by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

10) Outstanding Student Branch Award

The "Outstanding Student Branch Award" is a new award in 2019 that will be given to outstanding student branch under the IEEE-Chicago Section. The award is mainly based on the activity of the student branch to promote IEEE value in all aspects for the past year. The award will be considered for presentation annually by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

11) Outstanding Student Branch Adviser Award

The "Outstanding Student Branch Adviser Award" is also a new award in 2019 that will be given to outstanding individual who serve his/her student branch and its IEEE member. The awardee has to be an IEEE Student Member, IEEE Member, or IEEE Senior Member. The award will be considered for presentation annually by evaluation of nominations submitted in accordance with the award criteria and procedures.

Please submit your nominations by September 30, 2019 to:

2019 IEEE-Chicago Nomination & Awards Committee,
Email: ieee.chicago.awards@gmail.com
By way of example, this is a great opportunity to recognize active officers or members who have made valuable contributions to the section but in a less formal capability than the Chairs of our Committees or Chapters.

We look forward to receiving your Nominations!

Sincerely,

2019 IEEE-Chicago Nomination & Awards Committee

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