

VIM 2017

The VIM award is to honor those members who give exceptional service to the local retired educators' organization.

Return this form for your VIM nominee as soon as they have been chosen. Please inform them immediately, because we must require that the story and picture be in by May 1, 2017.

- Make your check payable to: OREA VIM
- Send this form and check to: OKLAHOMA RETIRED EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION
P. O. Box 18485
Oklahoma City, OK 73154
Attn: Sharon Cox
- To ensure the arrival of the application at the state office, please send by certified mail or call the state office to confirm receipt of the application.

Our unit, _____, encloses a \$35.00 donation honoring our VERY IMPORTANT MEMBER.

We would like to honor the following named Very Important Member:

The name of our VIM is: _____

Address: _____

Name of the Unit Contact Person is: _____

Address: _____

Please Note: The \$35.00 donation covers the expense of the DVD, book, and pin. It does not include the convention ticket for your VIM. As a courtesy local units can buy their ticket for them.

We will assume your VIM is a living member unless you indicate otherwise.
If you are honoring a deceased member, please write (deceased) following the name
and indicate the name and address of their family member.

If your unit qualifies for two nominees
~ must have over 500 members ~
please duplicate this form.

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Story Received _____

Picture Received _____

Payment Received _____

GIVE THESE DIRECTIONS TO YOUR VIM HONOREE

1. We need your picture and biography by **May 1, 2017**.

2. The biography should be no more than two typewritten pages with 1” side margins and a 2” top margin on the first page only. This is space to place the picture. The story cannot be more than two pages (front and back of one page) and those exceeding two pages will be edited down to two pages. The story can be double space or single-spaced depending on the length of the story.

3. The usual format for the story is:
 - a. Birth, birth place and early schooling
 - b. Higher education, degrees, etc.
 - c. Work experience
 - d. Honors
 - e. Other activities
 - f. Do your own thing!

4. Pictures:

One headshot picture will be needed for the VIM book. This picture can be a snapshot or a studio photograph if you obtain permission from the photography studio because of copyright laws. A black and white or color photo is acceptable. Scanned pictures can be emailed to scox@okea.org.

IMPORTANT: Additional pictures (2-3) will be needed for the PowerPoint presentation. These pictures can be of you during your career, featuring a hobby, travel, family or anything interesting that you would like to share. This has been done the last three years at convention and it makes for a more interesting PowerPoint plus the audience gets a better feel of who our honorees are. Please write your name on the back of the picture and a brief description. All photos will be returned to you.

5. Send the pictures and story by May 1, 2017 to:

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6. Save the date for our 2017 OREA State Convention:

October 26 & 27, 2017
Renaissance Tulsa Hotel & Convention Center
6808 S. 107th East Avenue
Tulsa, Oklahoma