

E.E. Curley Roose Award

Edward E. Roose was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico and lived there until his passing at the age of 97 years old. He was an optimist 24 / 7 and attended every meeting until he was 96. He also had a record of attending international conventions for 45 years.

Mr. Roose joined the Albuquerque Optimist Club as a chartered member on March 3, 1940. He earned his nick name of Curley because he was bald.

In 1988 Jim Miller, another member of The Albuquerque Club, brought the idea of the E.E. "Curley" Roose Award to the district to recognize other outstanding optimist.

The recipient of the award shall be a member of the District who has served the District above and beyond the normal duties assigned to a Chairperson, Lt. Governor or Governor. The award shall be presented during the banquet held during the District Convention by the Committee Chairperson who shall be prepared to make remarks appropriate to the occasion.

The E.E. Curley Roose Award Committee shall consist of all prior recipients of the award. After the presentation of the Annual Award, the Committee shall elect one of its members to serve as Chairperson for the ensuing year who shall solicit from the members of the committee, recommendations for possible recipients.

The Committee at the third quarterly conference shall make the selection and the name of the recipient shall remain confidential, known only to the members of the Committee. It shall be the duty of the Chairperson to have a suitable plaque made and the District Secretary/Treasurer, who shall not be informed as to the name of the recipient, thereof shall reimburse the cost to the Chairperson.

