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DTP NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FROM MEMBERS

The deadline for nominations for the Distinguished Topical Philatelist (DTP) awards is November 1st of this year for next year's recipient. Any ATA member may make one or more nominations describing the outstanding contributions made to the American Topical Association by each nominee. Nominations are to be sent to the ATA Central Office at PO Box 57, Arlington, TX 76004-0057. The Central Office will make copies to be sent to the DTP chairman.

The seven members of the DTP selection committee are appointed by the DTP Chairman with all being previous Distinguished Topical Philatelists. The committee makes the single selection of the award winner for the past year.

Immediately after the deadline for nominations, the DTP Chairman prepares a ballot of candidates to be sent to the seven committee members for their vote, along with copies of the received nominations.

The DTP Chairman will count the votes and will notify the winner of his or her selection as the next DTP. The Chairman will give the winner the Topical Time editor's address and email address and then will request that the recipient furnish a portrait photo as soon as possible to the editor. The Chairman will advise the winner that he or she will receive complimentary NTSS reception and banquet tickets at the next National Topical Stamp Show. Spouses and friends will pay the regular charges for these events.

For additional information on the American Topical Association contact the ATA Central Office, PO Box 57, Arlington, Texas 76004-0057 (telephone 817-274-1181; fax 817-274-1184; email americantopical@msn.com); or visit their website at www.americantopicalassn.org.