

Senior of the Year Nominations

Senior Man of the Year Nominees (3)

Nominee: Jim Hollenbeck.

I would love to nominate my grandfather, Jim Hollenbeck, a Lombard resident since the dinosaurs walked the earth. (If he reads this, sorry) I have nominated him in the past, and he has not won. If he isn't helping his neighbors, he is attending high school football games or softball games in town.

He takes pride and always has a project around his house to beautify his neighborhood (or keep grandma out of his hair). A lot of who I am is from him & I would love to say he is a positive role model for the community as a whole.

Thank you very much for this program, I feel it is definitely important to the community, and sets us apart from the other towns.

Nominee: Mike Kinney

I'm a Lombard resident on Circle Ave. My neighbor, Mike Kinney, is one of the most wonderful people I have ever met. In fact, when I tell others about why I love Lombard so much he's the first person that comes to mind. He and his wife are so friendly, kind and always there to lend a helping hand.

Mike is a cancer survivor and volunteers his time to drive cancer patients to and from treatment. He is up at all hours of the morning coming and going, volunteering out of the kindness of his heart.

Also he's super talented and does great work with his Halloween display and won the pumpkin carving contest at our block party last year. He keeps his lawn and garden in tip top shape and patiently teaches my husband and I gardening tips all the time. I wish all neighbors were like him.

Nominee: Ronald Knecht

I would like to nominate my father, Ronald Knecht for senior of the year. He has lived proudly as a Lombard resident since 1962 and served in 3 branches of the military including the Navy from 1951 – 1955 and is a Korean War Veteran. He then served the Army before joining the Air Force, which he is currently a major in the USAF.

He has served Lombard as a Deacon at St. Pius for 35 years, where he also plays bass guitar. He has also played guitar at his grandson's special needs church called ParaBles in Lombard. He has taught classes at the College of DuPage for 17 years and volunteered for the Board at St. Pius for

9 years. Over the years, he has also volunteered for Boy Scouts where he helped with Lombard's clean-up events.

From babysitting his 7 grandchildren and taking care of his wife, I feel that he is a perfect nomination for Lombard's Senior Man of the Year, and I would love to be able to show him the recognition he deserves.

Senior Woman of the Year Nominees (2)

Nominee: Mary Beth Lynch

Dear Nominating Committee Members

Mary Beth Lynch, is a founding member of the Lombard Kiwanis, active member for 27 years. A youth leader at Lombard Gospel Chapel. For over 15 years an active member with the Lombard Garden Club and Lombard Chamber of Commerce.

She is our "2018 Senior of the Year" for Lombard.

Nominee: Barbara Madigan

I would nominate Barbara Madigan. She has been a volunteer since I have known her (25 years) and a Lombard resident for even longer. She is a past Lombard Woman of the Year. She is part of GFWC Illinois 5th District, Lombard Garden Club, and Lombard Service League to name a few.

Whenever a volunteer is needed, she is there. No matter how busy she is, Barb will always make time for anyone in need. She is an outstanding candidate for Senior Woman of the Year. Patty Lindstrom

Barbara and her husband Mark raised 4 amazing kids in Lombard, and still live right on Main St. across from Pleasant Lane School. They are also the loving grandparents to 5 awesome grandkids, 2 that live in Lombard.