

Machlin Sportsmanship Award

The Board of Directors voted on November 16, 2005 to establish a yearly award to the "Sportsman of the Year". The criteria established are:

The candidate should (1) demonstrate strong ethical standards and a commitment to active ethics (i.e., full disclosure of systems and agreements to opponents, etc.); (2) behave graciously at the table after bad results or good results; (3) exhibit exemplary behavior at all times toward partner and opponents; (4) demonstrate an ability to get along with multiple partners; and (5) demonstrate a willingness to help mentor other players in the game. A player wouldn't necessarily have to satisfy all five, but these are some of the criteria that a selection committee might consider.

A selection committee is appointed by the President. Unofficially the appointees to the committee have included past winners.

Winners

2006: Charles Stenger

2007: Peter Boyd

2008: James Giest

2009: Rose Berman

2010: Barbara Doran

2011: Millard Nachtwey

2012: Paul Leopold

2013: Robert Bell

2014: Audrey Marbach

2015: Richard Wegman

2016: Carol Banks