

Knight Distinguished Service Award

The ARRL Board of Directors established the Knight Distinguished Service Award to recognize exceptionally notable contributions by a Section Manager to the health and vitality of the League. The first such award was presented to Joe T. Knight, W5PDY, for whom the award was named, in recognition of his exemplary service not only as the ARRL Section New Mexico Section Manager for more than a quarter century but also for his willingness time and time again to share his knowledge and skills leadership by volunteering to help train and orient newly elected Section Managers from throughout the country at the invitation of the Field Services Department.

In recognition of the commitment to the ARRL Field Organization as exemplified by Joe T. Knight, W5PDY, the Knight Distinguished Service Award may be awarded from time to time to an ARRL Section Manager who has distinguished themselves by the following ideals:

1. Exceptionably notable contributions over an extended period of time within his or her Section and beyond, and
2. Whose efforts have contributed to the health and vitality of ARRL and its Field Organization; and,
3. Whose actions are in the spirit of the unselfish contributions of Joe T. Knight, W5PDY.

The ARRL Board shall publicize the existence of the Knight Distinguished Service Award and the nomination criteria from time to time in its *QST* and on the ARRL Web Page. Nominations may be made by any ARRL member and shall be accompanied by a narrative of the accomplishments of the nominee identifying the long-term contributions of the nominee to ARRL and its Field Organization.

Those awarded the Knight Distinguished Service Award shall be presented with a suitable plaque commemorating the award.