

## SWD Ralph Ribble and Chuck Abernethy Awards

### Criteria

One of the nice things the District gets to do each year is select the Outstanding Large (40+) and Small (<40) Chapters for the year.

These two awards are named after two outstanding SWD leaders of the past - the outstanding large chapter award is named in honor of Chuck Abernethy and the outstanding small chapter is named in honor of Ralph Ribble.

Both Chuck Abernethy and Ralph Ribble not only served SWD as District Presidents, but both went on to serve as Society Presidents as well.

Plaques are presented to the two winning chapters now at the SWD Fall District Convention. We used to award this honor at the Spring conventions.

The Division Managing Directors (DMDs) each nominate one or two chapters from their respective divisions Or any division and forward them to the District EVP who will then select the three top finalists and voted on by the District Board.

While criteria for nominations are not spelled out in detail, they normally include things such as membership growth, YIH activities, gifts to charities, activities throughout the year (shows, competition, hosting conventions, sponsoring new chapters, etc.), and participation in district activities such as Leadership Academy attendance. This list is not meant to be all-inclusive; anything the chapter has done to impact barbershopping in a positive way is a reason for nomination. When a chapter is nominated, it should include a list all the accomplishments and activities which would qualify them for recognition.