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TSBA Ambassadors for Education Honored for Year's Community Outreach Efforts

The TSBA Ambassador for Education Program was developed to build greater public confidence in Tennessee's public schools and better educate the public about public education. It is a community outreach program assisting local school board members in increasing public awareness and understanding of issues facing our communities, state and nation. Ambassadors are appointed by the TSBA Board of Directors to one year terms. TSBA honored those members who give of their time to be TSBA Ambassadors for Education at the 2011 Annual Convention Awards Banquet.

Board members who completed at least 5 presentations throughout the year, were recognized with a silver pin and designated as Certified Ambassadors. Board members who completed at least 10 presentations, were recognized with a gold pin and designated as Master Ambassadors. Board members who conduct a cumulative total of 25 presentations during their career in the program were recognized with a platinum pin and designated as Platinum Ambassadors. Board members who conduct a cumulative total of 50 presentations during their career in the program were recognized with a diamond pin and designated as Diamond Ambassadors. The board member with the highest number of presentations during the year was designated as the Premier Ambassador.

The following board members received the Certified Ambassador Award:

- Jerry Anderson, Greeneville
- Tom Beasley, Henry County
- Carolyn Holt, Hamblen County
- Phillip McLain, Washington County
- Becky Tubb, White County

The following board members received the Certified and Master Ambassador Award:

- David Pickler, Shelby County
- Dan Schlafer, Cumberland County
- Maria Starks, Dyer County
- Mary Wade, Murfreesboro
- Nancy Williamson, Oneida Special

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The following board member received the Certified, Master and Platinum Ambassador Award:

- Debbie Shedden, Hawkins County

The following board member received the Certified and Diamond Ambassador Award:

- Susan Lodal, Kingsport

The following board member who had the highest number of presentations in 2011 received the Premier Ambassador Award:

- David Pickler, Shelby County