

## **THE YOUNG TEXAN/TEX-ANNE PROGRAM**

The Young Texan/Tex-Anne Corporation is chartered by the State of Texas as a non-profit organization dedicated to the recognition of outstanding young people of the state. The corporation's program is supported through voluntary contributions of Optimist Clubs, individuals, and business enterprises interested in our youth.

The program is administered by a Board of Directors comprised of the State Coordinator and representatives from Optimist Clubs in the North Texas District, and the South Texas District. The Board of Directors is responsible for the selection of a panel of judges, who must not be members of an Optimist Club. The panel of judges rates the nominees to determine the winner of the state Young Texan/Tex-Anne monthly and annual awards.

### **OBJECTIVES:**

The purpose of the program is to recognize Texas youth in major activity areas such as Scholastic Activities and Accomplishments; Athletic Activities and Awards; Extracurricular Activities, Awards and Honors; Religious Organization Activities; Part-time, Vacation, or Full-time Employment; Hobbies, Talents, and Other Interests Not Listed Above.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Any boy or girl between the ages of 16 and 18 years, inclusive.

It is recommended that nominees be Juniors in High School.

If nomination is based on an unselfish activity or heroic act, the only requirement is that the youth's age be from 16 to 18 years, inclusive.

### **LIMITATIONS:**

A boy or girl may be nominated by a club only once (one month) in any administrative year, i.e., October of one calendar year through September of the succeeding calendar year.

Supplemental information for any entrant will not be accepted or considered once the judging and selection has occurred above Club level.

### **PROGRAM:**

Each Optimist Club may nominate one boy and one girl each month for District and State Awards.