

PEGASUS SLOWPITCH SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION GREG SMITH SPIRIT AWARD (FORMERLY PEGI AWARD)

In 2001 the Pegasus Slowpitch Softball Association began the tradition of recognizing a league member who went far and above the call of duty in his/her efforts to support the league and promote softball in North Texas. The PEGI Award has become the symbol of thanks and gratitude expressed to those that have truly embodied the spirit of our mission statement, both on and off the field. In late 2011 PSSA lost a member who promoted gay softball in every way possible. In honor of Greg Smith's tireless and selfless support the PEGI Award is becoming the Greg Smith Spirit Award. Throughout Greg's softball career, he was not only a player and coach but also served several times on the Board of Directors and was closely involved in both successful bids to bring the 2004 and 2014 Gay Softball World Series to north Texas.

Eligibility: Any current member of the Pegasus Slowpitch Softball Association can be nominated for the Greg Smith Spririt Award. The candidate must be considered in good standing with the league at the time the nomination is submitted. Nominees may be current players, coaches, managers, scorekeepers and team supporters. Nominee must be listed on a current team roster, either as a player or non-player. Any current member of PSSA, including Honorary Members, may submit nominations to the Elections Chairman. Please use the form located on the elections and nominations page of the PSSA website (www.dallaspssa.org) then forward completed form to elections@dallaspssa.org

Deadline: Deadline for the Greg Smith Spirit Award nominations will coordinate with final deadlines for PSSA Board Elections and will be included on the ballot for those elections.

Nomination: Nominations should include a brief description of the nominee's personal contributions for the current softball year. Be sure to include all aspects of league involvement when describing a nominee... playing, coaching, fundraising, community involvement, leadership and overall promotion of PSSA. Remember this award focuses on individuals whose current contributions have made a positive impact on PSSA during the current calendar year. An appropriate question to ask yourself prior to making a nomination would be "How has this individual made my softball experience better than what I anticipated...?" Eligible league members may submit the name of one individual for each season's Greg Smith Spirit Award. Nomination forms that are not complete or nominations for individuals that are not eligible for the award will be disqualified.

League voting: The Elections Chair will screen all submitted nominations to confirm eligibility. The 3 individuals receiving the most nominations will be placed on the ballot during the Spring election to be held during the End of Season tournament. The Greg Smith Spirit Award will be given to the individual who receives the most votes cast.