**Awards Report**

June 23, 2018

I have a couple of items I would like to keep in everyone’s thoughts.

First, I Just wanted to remind members that there is the Distinguished Service Award available to a deserving member. There are three service award areas which are; NASCOE, Community, and FSA-Agriculture. Please make sure to remind your perspective districts. (Associate members are not eligible.) NASCOE usually starts asking for nominations before Christmas, with a deadline of January 1st , so be thinking of someone.

Secondly, I will be collecting names of members, after the end of the year, who have an accumulated sick leave balance of at least 1000, 1500, 2000 and more at a 500-hour increment. The hours will need to be meet by the end of the calendar year. (We don’t do certificates for any less accumulated hours nor does NASCOE.) Members earn certificates from NASCOE and plaques for those members that have at least 2500 hours accumulated sick leave earned.

IASCOE has also given plaques to the awardees with 2500 hours or more sick leave earned, I would like to bring to the board the possibility of doing a different award instead of a plaque, for those people. I feel it repetitive to give the same thing from IASCOE that NASCOE gives. I was thinking about engraved key chains with their milestone engraved on it, for those meeting the 2500-hour milestone and over. There were possible items in a catalog received from the place we currently get the plaques from. If a board member has another idea, I am open to it. I will check on the prices, but I believe we can get them for about the same amount as the plaques. If the board likes this idea I will pursue it more with possible different items and get actual price quotes.

Respectfully Submitted

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