



## **DESCRIPTION**

The Diplomat of the Year Award is presented annually to a Chamber Diplomat whose efforts have resulted in a major contribution to the image and growth of the St. Joseph Area Chamber of Commerce and have had a positive impact on the success of the programs of the Chamber Diplomats Club. The award winner will be a Diplomat who has made great efforts to advance the Chamber's mission "to create an environment that allows business to succeed and the community to prosper."

## **CRITERIA**

- Member in good standing of the St. Joseph Area Chamber of Commerce.
- Member of the Chamber Diplomats Club.
- Actively participates in Diplomats Club programs, committees and events.
- Positively represents the Diplomats Club at Chamber and community events.
- Has not received the Diplomat of the Year Award in the past five years.

2009 - Jennifer Holden

2008 - Steve Creal & Dianne Dewey

2007 - Jane Graves

2006 - Judy Hausman

2005 - Joyce Croner

## **DETERMINATION OF WINNER**

At the November Diplomats meeting any Diplomat will have the opportunity to nominate another Diplomat to be considered for Diplomat of the Year. From the list of nominees Diplomats will be given a ballot at the December meeting to vote on the Diplomat of the Year. Those nominated that meet the criteria will be considered Chamber Stars. Chamber Stars and the Diplomat of the Year will be presented at the Annual Banquet in January.