

Greetings Fellow RLND Alumni,

This year has been a very busy year for RLNDAA. Over the summer, RLNDAA hosted the International Leadership Alumni Conference in Dickinson. It was a huge success and if I might say with all the hard work your RLNDAA ILAC leadership team put into this, they hit it out of the Ball Park! GRAND SLAM!! We had a great turn out from around the United States and Canada along with perfect ND weather. Thank you if you attended, supported financially, or gave of your time and effort. It was so appreciated.

As we approach the end of another great year and prepare for RLND Class VIII graduation, I would like to tell you of an opportunity to recognize Alumni you are proud to know. This year the RLNDAA board has put much thought into creating an award to be given to a RLND Alumni, it is called the Prestigious Eagle Award. This award will be presented at the Graduation Gala on November 22, 2019 at the Harvest Grill in Mandan.

When we think of leadership the eagle epitomizes beauty, bravery, courage, honor, pride, determination and grace. As your RLNDAA board it gives us pride to honor one of our Alumni. RLNDAA will present this award every other year at the Graduation Gala. So please nominate those alumni you feel deserve recognition for their efforts and leadership in their pursuit of their passion or in their community. Now the deadline for application is October 20th. So do not wait.

You will find an attached application form. The RLNDAA Secretary Kristi Schultz will be receiving these applications. There is a committee that will be going over all applications and selecting our recipient.

On Nov 23, from 8am to 12 noon at the Courtyard Marriot, Bismarck, you will also have the chance to introduce yourself to Class IX at breakfast hosted by RLND. Following breakfast RLNDAA will have a Professional Development and short Annual Meeting. We encourage you all to come and attend. There is no cost for Professional Development. There is a block of rooms held at the Courtyard Marriot 3319 N 14th St, Bismarck call: 701-223-6667 for RLND Alumni if you plan to stay overnight.

Thank you so much for all your support,

Sincerely,

Jeanna Smaaladen

RLNDAA President