



NOMINATIONS INVITED

Linda S. Weindruch Award

In 2004 the Iowa business community and the Iowa Taxpayers Association lost a good friend and strong advocate for fair taxation. In her memory, the ITA initiated The **Linda S. Weindruch Award**. This annual ITA award was created to recognize an individual(s) who, through his/her outstanding accomplishments and contributions, has promoted and protected the fundamental taxation principles and policies that Linda so revered and effectively advocated.

At this time the ITA is seeking nominations for the 2011 Linda S. Weindruch Award. This year's award will be presented during the ITA Annual Meeting to be held on Monday, December 5 and Tuesday, December 6, 2011 in West Des Moines. The award presentation will be at the luncheon on December 6. The award criteria are straightforward:

- *The Linda Weindruch Award will be given annually to an individual who has demonstrated his or her commitment to the principles of fair business taxation;*
- *Award recipients may come from the private or public sectors and may or may not be currently active in their positions for which their nomination is being submitted;*
- *The actions of the award recipient must have resulted in a positive impact on the business tax climate in Iowa; and,*
- *The award recipient should have achieved recognition through the attributes that epitomize Linda - Advocacy, Leadership, Fairness and Strong Moral Compass.*

The award criteria may best be exemplified by the past award recipients. In 2005 the inaugural award recipient was former Assistant Attorney General Harry Griger who, among his many taxation accomplishments, successfully argued to protect Iowa's single sales factor apportionment before the U.S. Supreme Court. Former State Senator Mary Neuhauser and former State Representative Dwight Dinkla were co-recipients in 2006 for their legislative leadership in the enactment of the Taxpayers' Procedural Bill of Rights – an important Iowa law that Linda spearheaded that recognizes certain fundamental procedural rights to which all Iowa taxpayers are entitled. The 2007 recipient was Steve Evans of MidAmerican Energy for his work on Iowa's Replacement Tax and in 2008, Leonard Allen (retired) of Deere & Company for his steadfast leadership as ITA's chairman. In 2009, Burns Mossman was posthumously recognized for his work on the Iowa Taxpayer Bill of Rights. 2010's recipient, Gretchen Tegeler was selected for her work with the sound budgeting principles during her time with the Iowa Department of Revenue.

The ITA asks you to please take a moment to consider nominating an individual(s) whom you believe would be an outstanding award recipient. The award committee requests that all nominations be submitted to the ITA no-later-than September 9, 2011.

The formal nomination form follows.



Linda S. Weindruch Award
Nomination Form
(All nominations will be confidential)

1. *Name of Nominee:* _____

2. *Current Contact Information of Nominee (if known):* _____

3. *Title and Company/Agency Affiliation at Time of Nominated Accomplishment:*

4. *General Summary of Accomplishment(s):* _____

5. *Name and Contact Information of Individual Submitting this Nomination:*

Please Complete and Mail to Lynn Harkin by 9/9/11:
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