

2011 Golden Mash Paddle Nomination Period Open

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The Washington Homebrewers Association is proud to open the nomination period for the fourth Golden Mash Paddle Award. The purpose of the Golden Mash Paddle is to recognize individuals who work to significantly advance homebrewing in Washington. The nominees and recipients of this award go above and beyond the call of duty to help serve their fellow homebrewers.

Do you know someone who went out of their way to help some new homebrewers get started? How about the organizer of a competition? Maybe a judge who provided outstanding feedback? Even your friendly homebrew store employees are eligible. Anyone can submit a nomination and any Washington resident can be nominated. You can nominate more than one individual if you feel it is appropriate.

All you have to do is go to the [Golden Mash Paddle Nomination Page](http://www.wahomebrewers.org/awards) which you can find at <http://www.wahomebrewers.org/awards>

, or contact your

[WAHA club representative](#)

between now and

January 14th

. At a minimum you need to provide the

nominee's name

, some

contact information for the nominee

(e-mail, phone, club, etc.), and either a basic or detailed

description of the individual's contributions

. You can nominate someone anonymously but if you leave some contact information, we can get a hold of you if we have some questions. After the 14th, we will contact the nominee and allow them to submit more details about their accomplishments (so don't worry if you don't know everything they have done). In February, the WAHA Club Representatives will review the nominations and select the Golden Mash Paddle Recipient (which will be announced in March or April).

[More details are available on the website](#)

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So please, take a second and think about the individuals who have helped make homebrewing

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in Washington a better hobby and nominate someone today. Even if a nominee does not end up winning the award, they will be notified of their nomination and get confirmation that their efforts made a difference to their fellow homebrewers. Let's all raise a pint and a nomination for those who help make Washington homebrewing better!