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The 2017 RAILROAD PERSON OF THE YEAR nomination forms are now available at the Durand City Hall, Durand Union Station, and the Durand Memorial Branch of the Shiawassee District Library in Durand. The forms are also available at the website, www.durandstation.org. All nominations are due no later than **March 4, 2017** for consideration by a review committee in selecting the person for this year's award. To be nominated, a person (male or female) must be working or have worked for a railroad company from the surrounding Durand area.

The Selection Committee is made up of mostly past Railroad Persons of the Year honorees.

The RAILROAD PERSON OF THE YEAR is sponsored by Durand Union Station Inc. in conjunction with the Durand Railroad Days Festival to be held on **May 18, 19, 20, 21, 2017.**

At Durand Union Station, Friday evening**, May 19th**, there will be an Honoring Ceremony for the person selected. On **May 20th,** the 2017 Railroad Person of the Year will ride in the Railroad Days Parade. Later that same day, there will be a private reception in the Ballroom of the Union Station for the family and friends of the honoree.

The tradition of Railroad Person of the Year began in 1977 with Glenn Willie receiving the first award. Each year since, a man or woman who has been in railroad employment has been honored. Last year's honoree was Neil Randall, a retired locomotive engineer from Grand Trunk/CN Railroad.

Please submit completed nomination forms to the Durand Union Station via email or mail to 200 Railroad Street, Durand, MI 48429. You may also submit nomination forms via email to Pat Post at ppost4@charter.net.

Submitted by Pat Post, Chair, 989-288-6577, ppost4@charter.net

NOMINATION FORM FOR THE 2016 RAILROAD PERSON OF THE YEAR
(In conjunction with DURAND RAILROAD DAYS May 18, 19, 20 and 21, 2017

I nominate _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____ _____
Home Work

E-mail address (if known)_____

Are they presently (Circle one) Working Retired

Name of past or present employer _____

Seniority date _____ and/or Number of years worked_____

Jobs this person has held or is now holding with the railroad:

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Please tell us why you feel your candidate should be the Railroad Person of the Year. (Please include any special recognition they may have received in the community or on their job, any unusual events at work, and any community and/or church activities.)

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(You may add to the above on the back of this or on an attachment.)

Submitted by: _____

Address: _____