

JAMES BAKER:

Mr. Baker was nominated by Joan Nierath. Mrs. Nierath said Mr. Baker consistently helps out the neighborhood no matter what the season. In the winter, he removes the snow from their walks and even their side drive. Mr. Baker also makes sure that there is a path shoveled for the Nieraths' daughter, a schoolteacher, to get to her car in the early morning. In the summer months, Mr. Baker cuts the Nieraths' back lawn and regularly cuts the grass in the city easement between city cuttings. He also lends his skills whenever needed -- he will climb up on a roof, carry heavy loads and fix anything that needs attention. "The man should be bestowed the honor of 'Nice Neighbor' because he makes you proud to live next to him," Mrs. Nierath wrote. "What a gem to have living in our city."