Glauthier S.D. Man of Year

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"How nice it is to live in a small town where you can walk down the street after dark without fear of being mugged," San Dimas's "Man of The Year" Ted Glauthier said.

Civic leader-businessman Glauthier tossed back the verbal accolade to fellow San Dimans who had just named him "Man of The Year" at San Dimas Chamber of Commerce annual dinner at San Dimas Canyon Golf Course clubhouse Thursday night.

Moments later, Glauthier broke up the audience of more than 100 as Jean Lindaman, executive secretary to Rep. Jim Lloyd, D-35th Dist. read a laudatory citation from Lloyd to Glauthier.

"Thanks," Glauthier told Mrs. Lindaman. "This almost makes me want to change my registration."

Dinner Chairman Dr. Lowell Godfrey, a San Dimas dentist and chairman of the selection committee, said he had to stage a ruse to get Glauthier to the dinner.

As of dinner reservation deadline, Glauthier had not purchased dinner tickets. Dr. Godfrey got him to come on the ploy of leading the flag salute and benediction preceding dinner.

Selection was kept secret until

Cited with Glauthier with plaques from the city and chamber was Jack Carruthers, native San Diman and longtime valley businessman who himself was winner of the award in 1966.

Pomona Superior Court Judge Tom Nuss cited Carruthers' long career as a businessman and civic leader in San Dimas and as one of the prime movers in winning cityhood for San Dimas.

Dr. Godfrey, tantalizingly strung along the audience with a history of Glauthier without mentioning his



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MAN OF THE YEAR

Ted Glauthier, right, was revealed as San Dimas Man of the Year at a Thursday night dinner. Jack Carruthers, left, was honored for his service as Chamber of Commerce manager. Dr. Lowell Godfrey, center, announced the awards.

name until later clues left no doubt who was recipient of the 1975 award.

Native Pennsylvanian Glauthier was born in 1916 and educated in the Keystone State. Godfrey said Glauthier was so patriotic, he married his wife of 35 years Dec. 7, 1941 — the day Japanese forces attacked Pearl Harbor. At the time, Glauthier had just entered service and served as an artillery officer with the Army throughout World War II.

Following the war, he sold cleaning shop equipment in Arizona and California settling in San Dimas 25 years ago where he opened a cleaning shop of his own. Later, Glauthier sold his shop and became an insurance agent specializing in the field of estate planning.

His civic contributions include ser-

vice on the San Dimas Elementary School District board before it became Bonita Unified School District, a charter city councilman serving two terms ending in 1968, service on the Mt. San Antonio College advisory board, president of San Dimas Chamber of Commerce in 1953-54 and 1973-74, chairman of San Dimas Civic Center Authority, American Legion and Red Cross volunteer work and Pomona moderator for the Congregational Church.

Carruthers, who has served as chamber manager the past 3½ years, plans extensive traveling with his wife before returning to San Dimas and retirement. Judge Nuss said he hopes San Dimas can coax Carruthers back into some line of civic work once he returns.