

You could be wearing these! Awards and Recognitions for Adult Leaders in the Scouting Program



There are many awards and recognitions that can be presented or that can be earned by adult leaders.

Awards fall broadly into nine categories, most with a Square Knot Patch for uniform wear:

1. Training Awards (Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Sea Scouting, Venturing Training Award, Keys) – approved by Council Training Committee
2. Meritorious Action Awards – Merit Medal, Honor Medal approved by National Court of Honor.
3. Religious Awards – presented by various religious institutions, approved by the religious organization and the Council.
4. Order of the Arrow Awards – approved by local and national OA Committees.
5. Community Organization Award Awards – approved by the Community Organization and the Council.
6. Scouting Service Awards – International Scouter, New Unit Organizer, Unit Leader Award of Merit, and BSA Alumni Award.
7. Endowment Recognition Awards – James E. West, Second Century Society, and Presidents Leadership Council.
8. International Donation Awards – Order of the Condor, World Baden-Powell Fellowship Awards.
9. Distinguished Service Awards – District Award of Merit, Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope, and Silver Buffalo.

The Monmouth Council Awards and Recognition Committee works with the last category. The nomination forms for the awards are on the www.monmouthbsa.org website. The chart following chart includes an alphabetical listing of the awards and who administers them. The quality of the nomination you make for your fellow Scouters is very helpful for the reviewing Committees to be able to select among many qualified recipients where the number of awards is limited.

Contact your Unit, Assistant District or District Commissioner if you have any general questions. Contact Charles A. Spitz, Chairman of the Council Awards and Recognition Committee via email at wlbjyhawk@aol.com for questions about those awards administered by this committee, or assistance with nominations for any award.

Name of Award	Knot (X) Pin (P)	Award Category	Awarded By	Nomination (N) Application (A)
Arrow of Light Award	X	Youth Advancement	BSA Cub Scouting	A
Asian American Spirit of Scouting Service Award	X	Scouting Service Awards	BSA National Selection	N
Baden-Powell Fellowship Award	P	International Donation Award (Y or A)	World Scout Foundation	A
Bronze Wolf Award	Pendant	Distinguished Service Award	World Scouting Organization	N
BSA Alumni Award	X	Scouting Service Award	NESA (Local Council Approval)	A
BSA Square Knot Award	X	Community Organization Award	Military Order of the World Wars	N
BSA Youth Outreach Award	X	Community Organization Award	AMVETS	N
Cliff Dochterman Award	X	Community Organization Award	Rotary International	N
Daniel Carter Beard Distinguished Scouter Award	X/pendant	Community Organization Award	Freemasons	N
Den Leader Award	X	Training Award	BSA (Local Council Approval)	A
Distinguished Commissioner	X	Distinguished Service Award	BSA (Local Council Approval)	A
Distinguished Eagle Scout Award	X/pendant	Distinguished Service Award	NESA Selection	N
District Award of Merit	X/plaque	Distinguished Service Award	BSA District Selection	N
Eagle Scout Award	X	Youth Advancement	BSA (Local Council Approval)	A
George Meany Award	X	Community Organization Award	AFL-CIO	N

Name of Award	Knot (X) Pin (P)	Award Category	Awarded By	Nomination (N) Application (A)
Good Turn Service Award	X	Community Organization Award	Alpha Phi Alpha	N
Herbert G. Horton Service to Youth Award	X	Community Organization Award	Alpha Phi Omega	N
Honor Medal / Honor Medal w/ Crossed Palms	X	Meritorious Action Award (Y or A)	BSA National Court of Honor	N
H. Roe Bartle Training Award	X	Community Organization Award	Nonprofit Leadership Alliance	N
International Scouter Award	X	Scouting Service Awards	BSA International Division	A
James E. West Fellowship Award	X	Endowment Recognition Award (Y or A)	BSA (Local Council Approval)	A
Key Award (SM, CM, VA, VC, SS, DC, Commissioner)	X/device	Training Award	BSA (Local Council Approval)	A
Marvin L. Lewis Award	X/pendant	Community Organization Award	Benevolent Protective Order of Elks	N
Medal of Merit	X	Meritorious Action Award (Y or A)	BSA National Court of Honor	N
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal	X	Community Organization Award	US Department of Defense	N
NESA Legacy Fellowship Award	JWest	Endowment Recognition Award (Y or A)	NESA	A
North Star Award	Pendant	Distinguished Service Award	BSA Council Selection	N
Order of the Arrow Distinguished Service Award	X	Order of the Arrow (Y or A)	BSA National OA Committee	N
Order of the Arrow Legacy Fellowship Award	JWest	Endowment Recognition Award (Y or A)	BSA National OA Committee	A
Order of the Condor Award	Pin	International Donation Award (Y or A)	BSA International Division	A
Outstanding Eagle Scout Award	Pendant	Distinguished Service Award	NESA (Council Selection)	N
Presidents Leadership Council Award	JWest	Endowment Recognition Award	BSA	A
Professional Circle Award	X	Training Award (Professional)	BSA	A
Quartermaster Award	X	Youth Advancement	BSA Sea Scouting	A
Ranger Award	X	Youth Advancement	BSA Venturing	A
Raymond A. Finley Jr. SN - Sea Scout Service Award	X	Community Organization Award (Y or A)	US Power Squadron	N
Religious, Adult	X	Religious Institutions	Most Religious Institutions	N
Religious, Youth	X	Religious Institutions	Most Religious Institutions	A
Robert E. Burt Boy Scout Volunteer Service Award	X	Community Organization Award	Sons of the American Revolution	N
Scout Leader Community Service Award	X	Community Organization Award	Ruritan	N
Scouter's Training Award (All programs)	X/device	Training Award	BSA	A
Sea Badge Award	Pin	Training Award	BSA Sea Scouts	A
Sea Badge Underway Award	Pin	Training Award	BSA Sea Scouts	A
Second Century Society Award	JWest	Endowment Award	BSA	A
Silver Antelope Award	X/pendant	Distinguished Service Award	BSA Regional Selection	N
Silver Award	X	Youth Advancement	BSA Venturing	A
Silver Beaver Award	X/pendant	Distinguished Service Award	BSA Council Selection	N
Silver Buffalo Award	X/pendant	Distinguished Service Award	BSA National Selection	N
Silver Sage Award	X	Community Organization Award	Philmont Staff Association	N
Silver World Award	X	Distinguished Service Award	BSA International Division	N
Scouters Achievement Award	X	Community Organization Award	Veterans of Foreign Wars	N
Scouting Service Award	X	Community Organization Award	Lions International	N
Square Knot Award -- American Legion	X	Community Organization Award	American Legion	N
Unit Leader Award of Merit (CM, SM, VA, VC)	X	Scouting Service Award	BSA (Local Council Approval)	N
Vale La Pena! Service Award	X/pendant	Scouting Service Award	BSA National Selection	N
Venturing Leadership Award (Council, Region, National)	X/pendant	Distinguished Service Award (Y or A)	BSA Council, Region, National	N
Vigil Honor	Sash	Order of the Arrow (Y or A)	Order of the Arrow Lodges	N
Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award	X	Scouting Service Award	BSA	N
William D. Boyce - New Unit Organizer Award	X	Scouting Service Award	BSA	A
William H. Spurgeon Award	Plaque	Scouting Service Award	BSA (Local Council Selection)	N
William T. Hornaday Award	X	Scouting Service Award (Y & A)	BSA	A

Awards in **bold** are administered or nomination by the Monmouth Council Awards and Recognition Committee.