



Powahay's Adult Leader Recognitions 2023

Some of Powahay's best volunteers never get recognized for their service to Scouting, because no one took the time to nominate them. This publication includes the various awards presented to recognize our volunteers at the District Dinner.

Some recognitions require processing through National and we have set a nomination date deadline for all awards by **May 20, 2023.**

Powahay District Adult Recognition Dinner

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Wavenny House at Wavenny Town Park

677 South Avenue, New Canaan, CT 06840

newcanaan.info/departments/recreation/wavenny_house_rentals/index.php

The On My Honor Award is a Powahay District recognition presented to volunteers at a Pack, Troop or Crew level. Individuals are nominated by their commissioner or their peers. Nominations do not have to be registered with your unit but must demonstrate Scouting service to your unit. A person can be nominated for consecutive years. Please limit to 4 nominations per unit and invite those nominated to attend the dinner to be recognized. Form Attached.

District Award of Merit (2 or 3) is the highest award a district can present to a volunteer. It is available to Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level. Form Attached.

Powahay Key 3 Award is presented to volunteers who go above and beyond the call of service for the youth of the Powahay District. It is presented by the District Key Three (District Chairman, District Commissioner and District Executive). Recommendations can be submitted by email to any of the Key Three.

Veteran's Award: The Veteran's Award is an adult recognition on number of years registered in Scouting. Tenure earned as a youth may be included in the total number of years registered. Form Attached.

Unit Leader Award of Merit: The Boy Scouts of America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders — Cubmasters, Scoutmaster or Crew Advisor — who make that happen. This award is approved by National. Form Attached.

The William D. Boyce New-Unit Organizer Award is presented to recognize volunteers who organize one or more traditional Scouting units. The Award has been updated allowing for several volunteers to be recognized. Form Attached.

Powahay Pioneer Award is presented annually by the Powahay District to long time Scouters who continue to provide exceptional service to Scouting at a point in their life when they could easily "retire" from Scouting. Recipients are selected by special committee.

During our Scouting year, many situations arise when you say "thank you" to a volunteer. However, sometimes a more than just a thank you is needed to match the impact of the person's efforts. Powahay's Annual Recognition Dinner allows your unit to thank a volunteer with a recognition award and to be honored at a ceremony of their peers. **We ask that please you make every effort for those nominated to attend the District Dinner.**

Please send nominations to Karen Caiati at karen.caiati@scouting.org

Registration for the Dinner Coming Soon

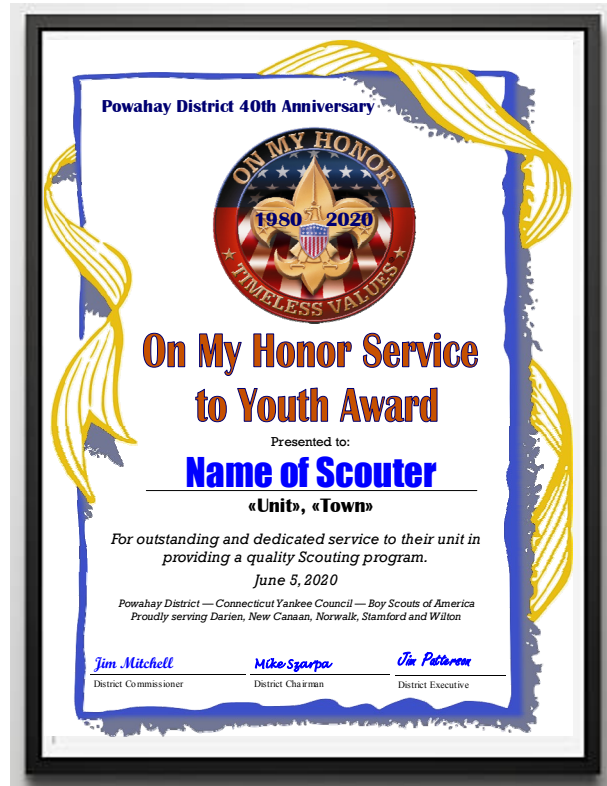
More info and to Download Awards Forms, please visit <https://www.ctyankee.org/powahay-district-recognition-dinner/>

The On My Honor Service to Youth Award Nomination Form

The "On My Honor ... Service to Youth Award" is a Powahay District recognition presented to volunteers at a Pack, Troop or Crew level. Individuals are nominated by their commissioner or their peers **for exceptional service to the unit**. A framed certificate is presented at the District Dinner.

Criteria: Any adult – Unit Leaders, Assistant Leaders, Committee Chair, Committee members, Den Leaders, parents or member of the charter organization that provide exceptional service or leadership to your unit.

1. No more than 4 nominations per unit.
2. Nominations do not have to be registered with your unit but must demonstrate Scouting service to your unit.
3. A person can be nominated for consecutive years.
4. The Award will be presented at the District Dinner, Wednesday, June 7, 2023 (**please select volunteers that can attend the district dinner**).



Deadline: Nominations must be received by May 20, 2023.

No formal form needed just email the following information to Karen Caiati at karen.caiati@scouting.org

Type of Unit (Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship): _____ Number: _____

Nominee Name: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

Unit Position: _____

EMAIL (REQUIRED): _____

A brief description of service to your unit:

Nominated by: _____ Position in Unit: _____

Email: _____

Due to time constraints at the dinner we will have abbreviated presentations and we ask that you please also recognize your volunteers at a unit function.



NOMINATION FOR THE DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT



District Award of Merit

NOTE: The nomination is confidential.
To avoid possible disappointment,
please do not advise nominee in any
way of your action in his or her behalf.

_____ Council
_____ District
_____ Unit

TO THE DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT COMMITTEE:

It is a pleasure to present for your consideration for the DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT:

Name _____

Address _____

City or Town _____ Zip _____

Currently registered in Scouting as _____

The nominee has earned the following (provide dates):

_____ Den Leader's Training Award or Den Leader Award	_____ Scouter's Religious Award	_____ Other (specify)
_____ Den Leader Coach's Training Award or Den Leader Coach Award	_____ Silver Beaver	_____
_____ Cubmaster Award	_____ Order of the Arrow	_____
_____ Cub Scouter Award	_____ Wood Badge	_____
_____ Webelos Den Leader Award	_____ Venturing Awards	_____
_____ Scouter's Training Award	_____ Distinguished Commis- sioner Service Award	
_____ Scouter's Key		

The noteworthy service upon which this nomination is based follows:

(Furnish as much information as possible. For example: president, Rotary Club; vestryman, St. Paul's Church; chairman, Red Cross campaign; vice-president, PTA; medical director, hospital; Cubmaster, 3 years; Scoutmaster, 4 years; Venturing Advisor, 3 years; commissioner, etc. Use additional paper, if necessary.)

_____ Date of nomination

_____ Name of person making nomination

_____ Position in Scouting

_____ Contact number

GENERAL INFORMATION

The District Award of Merit is a council award presented by districts in the same manner that the Silver Beaver is a national award presented by councils.

The award is available to Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level.

The award is made available annually on the basis of 1 for each 25 traditional units or fraction thereof. The district need not present all the awards to which it is entitled each year.

It is not appropriate to nominate a Scouter who has already received this award.

A professional Scouter or other council employee may not receive this award based on employment service. However, a professional Scouter or employee who also serves as a volunteer Scouter may be eligible, based on *volunteer* service.

REQUIREMENTS

1. A nominee must be a registered Scouter.
2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside Scouting, or both.
Note: The nature and value of "noteworthy service to youth" may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time.
3. Consideration must be given to the nominee's Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position.
4. The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the district and/or council is to be taken into consideration.
5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

PROCEDURE

1. Annually, district chairmen will appoint a temporary special District Award of Merit committee of not more than five persons who will consider all candidates and make recommendations of those to receive the award to the council through the Scout executive.
2. The Scout executive will inform the district chairman of those nominations approved by the council committee.
3. The following procedure is suggested for such presentation ceremonies:
 - a. The recipient and spouse should be in attendance at the annual meeting or recognition dinner.
 - b. A district and/or council officer should explain the award and its significance.
 - c. Eagle Scouts or Silver Award Venturers should be asked to escort the recipients to a place of honor at the head table or on stage.
 - d. A suitable citation for each recipient should be read indicating what each has done in Scouting.
 - e. The award (certificate, No. 33719; plaque, No. 17565; and lapel pin, No. 17551) may be presented at this time with appropriate congratulations.
 - f. The only uniform insignia which accompanies this award is an embroidered overhand knot, No. 05013.
 - g. A group picture may be taken for use in neighborhood or community newspapers (district responsibility).

District approval

Council approval



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Unit Leader Award of Merit

Background

Quality unit leadership is the key to a quality unit program—and it leads to better Scout retention. Statistics show that if young people stay engaged in the program for at least five years, the BSA's influence likely will stay with them for the rest of their lives. A quality Scouting experience will help keep Scouts in the program, and the Boy Scouts of America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders who make that happen.

The Unit Leader Award of Merit replaces the Scoutmaster, Varsity Team Coach, and Venturing Crew Advisor award of merit programs. This new recognition has revised requirements, and Cubmasters and Skippers are also eligible for this recognition.

Requirements

The nominee must

1. Be a currently registered Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Coach, Advisor, or Skipper who has served in that position at least 18 continuous months.
2. Meet the training requirements for the registered position.
3. Distribute a printed or electronic annual unit program plan and calendar to each family in the unit.
4. Have a leader succession plan in place.
5. Effectively use the advancement method so that at least 60 percent of the unit's youth have advanced at least once during the last 12 months.
6. Cultivate a positive relationship with the chartered organization.
7. Project a positive image of Scouting in the community.

Nomination Procedure

1. The unit committee chair completes the Unit Leader Award of Merit Nomination Form on behalf of the unit committee. For Boy Scout troops, Varsity Scout teams, Venturing crews, and Sea Scout ships, the nomination must include endorsement by the senior patrol leader, team captain, crew president, or ship's boatswain, respectively.
2. The unit or district commissioner certifies that the form is complete.
3. The unit submits the nomination form to the council for approval by the Scout executive and council commissioner or president. **The council is responsible for processing the award.**

The Award

Upon receipt of the approved nomination form, the council may present the Unit Leader Award of Merit, which includes a certificate, square knot with the appropriate device, and a special unit leader emblem. Recognition of this achievement may be presented at appropriate district or council events, such as district or council leader recognition dinners, training events, and board meetings.

The award may be presented to youth for each program, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers, and Sea Scouts, if the individual meets the requirements in each program. Only one knot is worn with the devices of each program that the award was earned in.

Unit Leader Award of Merit certificate, No. 512004

Scoutmaster emblem, No. 610093

Unit Leader Award of Merit square knot, No. 610091

Cubmaster emblem, No. 610094

Varsity coach emblem, No. 610092

Venturing Advisor emblem, No. 610095

Skipper emblem, No. 635892



Unit Leader Award of Merit Nomination Form

Submit to your local council service center.

Nominee's name as it is to appear on the certificate: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Select one:

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cubmaster | Pack No. _____ | Chartered organization _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scoutmaster | Troop No. _____ | Chartered organization _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coach | Team No. _____ | Chartered organization _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advisor | Crew No. _____ | Chartered organization _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Skipper | Ship No. _____ | Chartered organization _____ |

Service

Inclusive dates for the service in the above-selected position (include month and year; must be at least 18 continuous months of service in this position).

From _____ to _____ Number months of service _____

Training

Date nominee completed training requirements for this position (month and year) _____

Unit Program Plan

- Yes, this nominee's unit has an annual unit program plan and calendar, and it is shared with all families in the unit.

Unit committee chair initial _____

Succession Plan

- Yes, the unit has a replacement recruited and committed to take over the nominee's position as unit leader if necessary.

Replacement's name _____ Unit committee chair initial _____

Advancement

- Yes, at least 60 percent of the members of the nominee's unit have advanced at least once during the past 12 months.

Unit committee chair initial _____

Chartered Organization Relationship

- Yes, this nominee has a good relationship with the chartered organization.

Unit committee chair initial _____

Community Image

- Yes, this nominee has a positive image in our community.

Unit committee chair initial _____

Please attach a statement by the unit committee chair on behalf of the unit committee attesting to the nominee's performance as unit leader. For Scoutmaster nominations, also attach a statement by the troop's senior patrol leader. For Varsity Scout Coach nominations, also attach a statement by the team captain. For crew Advisor nominations, also attach a statement by the crew president. For Skipper nominations, also attach a statement by the ship's boatswain.

Nominated by _____ Certified by _____
Unit committee chair Unit or district commissioner

Date of nomination _____

Approved by _____ Date _____ and _____ Date _____
Scout executive Council commissioner or president



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VETERAN APPLICATION



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DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE.

APPLYING FOR _____-YEAR VETERAN STATUS

FOR COUNCIL USE ONLY	
COUNCIL # _____	Type of Unit* _____
	Unit number _____
	Scouter position _____
When submitting an application to the national office for the first time, please provide the years of tenure to equal the award applying for, or copies of prior applications.	

Please print or type.

NAME (Mr.; Mrs.; Ms.; Dr.) _____ (Jr.; Sr.) AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

If you have been previously recognized as a veteran, give the date on your last certificate and the recognition you received.

Date of certificate _____ Recognition _____ -year award.

If you have never applied for veteran recognition before, check this box.

Applications for 5-, 10-, 15-, and 20-year veteran awards are processed and awarded by the local council. They are not sent to the national office.

Applications for awards of 25 years or more **must have a current PAID registration in order to be processed** and awarded by the national office.

Veteran insignia may be worn as pins or tie tacs and may be ordered from your local council.

REGISTRATION RECORD				1. If previously recognized, list only registration record since date of last award through current date. 2. If applying for the first time, give complete registration record through current date.			
FROM		TO		TYPE OF UNIT*	NO.	CITY AND STATE	POSITION
MONTH	YEAR	MONTH	YEAR				

* Indicate pack, troop, team, crew, ship, district, or council.

APPLICATION FOR VETERAN STATUS

I hereby apply for veteran status as indicated by the above registration record, which is a true report of my Scouting history. I agree to live up to the Scouting obligations. I will keep the local Scouting authorities in the community informed as to my availability for service to the community. I agree to take as active a part in the promotion of the cause of Scouting as circumstances will permit.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____

LOCAL COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION

A thorough review of the registration record of the applicant indicates registration for the period indicated. We recommend approval of this application and issuance of the veteran certificate.

DATE _____ SCOUT EXECUTIVE'S SIGNATURE _____

VOLUNTEERS
Mail this completed application and any supporting documentation to your local council.

FOR COUNCIL USE ONLY
Mail to Membership Resources S218,
e-mail to veteran.awards@scouting.org, or fax to 972-580-2416.