

BOY SCOUT LEADER TRAINING/MERIT KNOTS

Scouter Award of Merit



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Scouter Key Award



Description: white on green knot on tan field with tan border.

District Committee Key

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District Commissioner Key

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District Roundtable Commissioner Key

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Unit Commissioner Key

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Scout Leader's Training Award



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William D. Boyce New Unit Organizer Award



Description: silver knot on gold/green/red background with tan border.

District Award of Merit



Description: silver overhand knot on deep blue background with silver border.

James E. West Fellowship Award



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Scouter Award of Merit



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Scoutmaster Award Requirements:

Tenure:

- Serve as Scoutmaster for at least 18 months

Training:

- Complete Boy Scout Leader Fast Start
- Complete Scoutmastership Fundamentals

Performance:

- Be a currently registered Scoutmaster
- Achieve the Quality Unit Award at least once during period of service
- Have a record of proper use of the Boy Scout advancement program, resulting in a majority of troop Boy Scouts attaining the First Class rank

Have a record of:

- Development of boy leadership through the patrol method
- Positive relations with the troop's chartered organization
- An extensive outdoor program including strong summer camp attendance
- A positive image of Scouting in the community
- A troop operation that attracts and retains Boy Scouts

Nomination

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Scouter Key Award



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Scoutmaster's Key Award Requirements:

Tenure:

- Complete at least 3 years of registered tenure as a Scoutmaster within a 5-year period. (can include the tenure used to earn the Scouter's Award)

Yr 1: From ____ To ____ Yr 2: From ____ To ____ Yr 3: From ____ To ____

Training:

- Complete Boy Scout Leader Fast Start Training.
- Complete New Leader Essentials
- Complete Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Specific Training.
- Complete Youth Protection Training.
- Complete Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills.
- Earn Boy Scout Leader's Training Award.
- Conduct troop youth leader training (three times).
- Participate in one supplemental training course either at a local council or national level.
- Participate as an adult in youth leader training by either serving on the staff or attending th Scoutmaster orientation session of the national youth leader training conference.

Performance:

- Earn the Boy Scout Troop National Quality Unit Award two times during the three year period.

Year 1: _____ Year 2: _____

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Unit #: _____
 Dist. / Council: _____ District, Scenic Trails Council

Unit Committee
 Chair or Unit
 Commissioner: _____
 Signature _____ date _____

District
 Representative: _____
 Signature _____ date _____

**Scout Leader's
Training Award**



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Boy Scout Award Requirements:

Tenure:

- Complete a total of 2 years as a registered adult Boy Scout leader
- Year 1: From _____ To _____ Year 2: From _____ To _____

Training:

- Complete Boy Scout Leader Fast Start training
- Complete New Leader Essentials
- Complete Scoutmaster Basic Leader Training
- Complete Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- Complete Youth Protection Training

Performance: Do any **five** of the following:

- Participate in a support role for five overnight campouts.
- Help with two annual unit and/or district Friends of Scouting presentations.
- Participate actively in three troop parents' nights or courts of honor.
- Help organize or reorganize a Boy Scout troop.
- Help supervise or support a troop money-earning project.
- Participate in a supplemental training course at either the council or national level.
- Serve on the staff of a council or district training event.
- Serve as a merit badge counselor for at least five Scouts.
- Successfully complete Wood Badge training.
- Fulfill requirements of a troop committee function from the *Troop Committee Guidebook*.
- Assist actively with a Webelos den for 6 months.
- Participate in six Boy Scout leader roundtables.

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City, State, Zip: _____
Unit #: _____
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Unit Committee
Chair or Unit
Commissioner: _____
Signature _____ date _____

District
Representative: _____
Signature _____ date _____

**William D. Boyce
New Unit Organizer
Award**



Description: silver knot on gold/green/red background with tan border.

The William D. Boyce New-Unit Organizer Award is presented to recognize volunteers who organize one or more traditional Scouting units. The award may be worn on the adult uniform. The award is a square knot placed over the three colors representing the three phases of the BSA program - Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, and Venturing. A volunteer can earn the knot by organizing one traditional unit, and a program device can be earned for up to three additional units organized.

The award recognizes volunteers for organizing traditional units after March 1, 2005.

The award is administered by the Relationships Division and will be presented by the local council.

Award Requirements:

With the approval of the district committee chair, the volunteer serves as the organizer and completes the successful organization of one new traditional unit (Cub Scout pack, Boy Scout troop, Varsity team or Venturing crew).

The volunteer organizes the unit by following all procedures as published in the 'New Unit Organization Process' (No. 34196), particularly ensuring that new unit leadership is trained, a program for the new unit is organized and in operation, the new unit committee is functioning, a unit commissioner is assigned, all paperwork for the new unit is completed and processed, and the unit charter is presented to the chartered organization.

The Boy Scouts of America realizes that quite often several individuals help to organize a new unit. However, for this award, only one volunteer can be recognized as the organizer for a new unit.

To further recognize the volunteer's effort for organizing additional new units, a program device can be earned and worn on the new-unit organizer knot. The program device represents the type of unit organized (a Cub Scout pack, Boy Scout troop, Varsity team, or Venturing crew.) The knot and up to three program devices may be worn in recognition for organizing up to four new traditional units.

Multiple program devices for organizing units in the same program may be earned and worn.

The new-unit organization award recognizes volunteers for organizing traditional units after March 2005.

Application: <http://old.scouting.org/relationships/04-515.pdf>

District Award of Merit



Description: silver overhand knot on deep blue background with silver border.

Award Requirements:

The District Award of Merit is awarded by a District to a registered Scouter for service to youth in the District. Normally, the award is presented for service to youth in excess of five years.

Candidates must be nominated, not self-nominated.

A nominee must be a registered Scouter.

A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside of 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.

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.

The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the district, division, and/or council is to be taken into consideration.

Nomination:

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James E. West Fellowship Award



Description: Gold on green knot on tan background with red border.

Award Requirements:

James E. West served as the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America for over 30 years. The West Fellowship award is available for gifts of \$1,000 or more to a council endowment fund. The gift must be in addition to -and not replace or diminish - the donor's annual Friends of Scouting support.

The James E. West Fellowship Award is an 8-by-10-inch certificate, personalized with the donor's name, date of gift, and council name. In addition, there will be a distinctive lapel pin/charm and an embroidered square knot for uniform wear. While it is a national recognition, the James E. West Fellowship award is authorized and presented by the local council.

Northern Trails District collects donations to support the James E. West Fellowship. One member of the District is selected to be the recipient on behalf of the members of the District. Donations can be made no matter how big or small at any Northern Trails District Roundtable.