

VENTURING LEADER TRAINING/MERIT KNOTS

Scouter Award of Merit



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

Scouter Key Award



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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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Venturing Advisor Award Requirements

Tenure:

- Be a currently registered Venturing Advisor who has served in that position for at least 18 months

Training:

- Complete Venturing Fast Start and Venturing Leader Specific Training
- Achieve the Quality Unit Award at least once while serving as crew Advisor
- Demonstrate the use of the Venturing Silver Award program
- Develop youth leadership by effective use of crew officers
- Use the crew officer orientation and program planning process
- Have a proven positive relationship with the chartered organization and associated Boy Scout troop and Cub Scout pack, if any
- Project a positive image of Venturing in the community
- Attract and hold Venturers with crew program and operation
- Lead crew in completion of the Venturing Leadership Skills Course

Nomination:

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Scouter Key Award



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Venturing Advisor's Key Award Requirements

Tenure:

- Complete three years of registered tenure as a Venturing crew advisor within a five year period

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

Training:

- Complete Venturing Fast Start
- Complete New Leader Essentials
- Complete Venturing Leader Specific Training
- Conduct Crew officer's seminars in each of your three years as Advisor
- Conduct at least one Venturing Leadership Skills Course for your crew
- Earn the Venturing Leader Training Award

Performance:

- Earn the Venturing Crew National Quality Unit award two times
- Have a crew parents' night and an open house each year

Attendance:

- Attend at least 4 roundtables or teen leaders' council meetings each year

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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Venturing Award Requirements

Tenure:

- Complete two years as a registered adult Venturing leader
- Year 1: From _____ To _____ Year 2: From _____ To _____

Training:

- Complete Fast Start
- Complete Venturing Leader Specific Training

Performance: Do **seven** of the following:

- Participate in a support role for five crew weekend activities.
- Serve on the staff of a district, council, area, region, or national Venturing training event.
- Help with two Friends of Scouting enrollments.
- Assist with a Venturing Leadership Skills course.
- Serve as a Bronze, Gold, Silver, or Ranger consultant.
- Participate in six Venturing roundtables or Teen Leaders' Councils.
- Help organize or reorganize a Venturing crew.
- Participate in two crew parents' nights.
- Help support a crew money-earning project.
- Participate in a crew open house.
- Participate in a crew officers' seminar.

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City, State, Zip: _____

Unit #: _____

Dist. / Council: _____ District, Scenic Trails Council

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.