

NOMINATION FOR THE SCOUTING AMERICA NATIONAL ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR AWARD



The Scouting America National Alumnus of the Year Award is Scouting Alumni's highest recognition for service to the alumni effort at the National level. The award was established to recognize alumni of Scouting America who, over a sustained period of time, have used the skills and values they learned through their association with Scouting to make significant and long-lasting contributions to their local communities through their efforts toward strengthening Scouting through the Alumni programs.

A Scouting America alumni includes anyone positively and personally impacted by Scouting America—former Scouts, family members of Scouts past and present, community leaders, and the millions of Americans who benefit from Scouting in their communities everyday.

The Alumnus of the Year features two symbols. The first is the Campfire encircled by 12 stones. This was picked as the symbol of Scouting Alumni because around a campfire, there are no strangers. A campfire calls us to gather, connects us to one another, and leads us to build and share our community. Today, a Scout campfire continues to be a place where friendships form, songs are sung, laughter is shared, and lessons are learned. Stories and skits are told and retold, as they have been by generations of America's young people.

An acorn, a symbol of Scouting America's Alumnus of the Year awards, is a reminder that tiny seeds planted along the Scouting trail will eventually cultivate and grow into extraordinary trees under which those who planted often never sit. From little acorns, mighty oaks grow.

Nominee's Information

Name (as it should appear on the certificate) _____

Spouse's name (if applicable) _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Council Name _____ Council # _____ CST# _____

Home / Cell _____ Email _____

Company Name _____ Professional Title _____

Business Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Has the Nominee received the Alumni Award? Yes No Date Received _____

Nominator's Information

Name _____

Professional title and/or Scouting title _____

Home / Cell _____ Email _____

Signature _____

Council Approval

Council Alumni Committee Chair

Name _____ Signature _____

Scout Executive

Name _____ Signature _____

Is the Nominee a Scouting alumnus who meets the current membership standards of Scouting America? Yes No

Scouting Alumni Contributions

Please describe how the Nominee has contributed significantly to the promotion and/or advancement of Scouting America at the National level through Alumni efforts over a sustained period of time through word and/or deed. Include activities, leadership, and specific accomplishments or impact on behalf of Scouting alumni. (Describe in 500 words or fewer.) Selection committees should weigh this 80% of the selection.

Community and Career Contributions

Please describe how the nominee has contributed significantly to the reputation of Scouting America through community service and/or distinguished themselves within their chosen career or avocation. (Describe in 200 words or fewer.) Selection committees should weigh this 20% of the selection.

Additional Information

Nominators may attach supporting documentation (up to 3) as deemed necessary. Supporting documentation may include news articles, letters of support, etc.

Note: This award is not a person-of-the-year award, general lifetime achievement award, or a different version of the Silver Buffalo Award. It is to recognize significant alumni efforts at the national level.

Nomination and Selection Process

Nominations should be submitted to the Scouting Alumni committee, Awards & Recognition subcommittee. These can be submitted electronically to scouting.alumni@scouting.org. Nominations are due to the national committee by December 31st for selection and presentation at the Scouting America National Annual meeting (typically May) of the following year.

Each year the Scouting Alumni's Awards & Recognition subcommittee lead will select a selection committee chair and members. The National Selection committee will be composed of past national award recipients and those knowledgeable of the national Alumni efforts. The selection committee will consider the Alumni effort as 80% percent and the community / professional effort as 20% percent of the overall selection process.

To prevent embarrassment, the candidate should not be notified of the nomination. Self-nomination is prohibited.

Award Presentation and Recognition

The Presentation of the National Alumnus of the Year will be conducted conjunction with the Scouting America's national annual meeting unless the recipient is unable to attend the meeting. Then a suitable presentation will be arranged for the recipient with the Scouting Alumni's Awards & Recognition subcommittee lead. Presentation material will consist of a personalized certificate / Plaque, medallion, lapel pin, and knot device to affix to the Alumni Award knot (if the recipient has earned the Alumni Award).