



## 2017 Awards Summary

Here is a summary of all awards available for nomination through the Marin Council. All of the award recipients will be recognized at the annual Marin Council Recognition Dinner.

Send to:

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Deadline for all nominations is Friday, January 5, 2018.  
No late nominations accepted.

### Volunteer of the Year

Have your unit committee select a single volunteer (e.g., assistant leader, committee member, parent, charter organization representative) who has made a significant contribution through volunteering this year. It could be someone who stepped up at a crucial point or who helped out for the first time and is now a regular volunteer. It could also be someone who has always done what was needed to be done. This is your chance to recognize this special volunteer.

### Cub Scout of the Year

This selection should be made by a special committee, although the pack committee or the Cubmaster with the assistant leaders can make the selection. The process should involve an interview with the boys being considered. Look for the following characteristics:

- ◆ Enthusiasm—genuine interest in and knowledge of Cub Scouting
- ◆ Uniform and general appearance
- ◆ Pleasant personality
- ◆ Politeness and ability to talk with adults for his age and skill level

A council committee will review all of the pack nominations and choose a council Cub Scout of the Year.

### Boy Scout of the Year

The troop committee chair or awards chair should appoint a committee of three to five adults who will interview and select your troop nomination. An older Scout may be on the committee but must not be a candidate. A council committee will review all of the troop nominations and choose a council Boy Scout of the Year.

### Venturer of the Year

The crew or ship committee chair or awards chair should appoint a committee of three to five adults who will interview and select your nomination. An older youth from the unit may be on the committee but must not be a candidate. Here are some of the characteristics to look for:

- ◆ Enthusiasm and knowledge of Venturing
- ◆ Maturity, attitude, and ability to talk and work with adults
- ◆ Leadership abilities
- ◆ Does this nomination exemplify the meaning of the Venturing Code?
- ◆ What contributions has this person made to the crew or ship in general?

A council committee will review all of the crew and ship nominations and choose a council Venturer of the Year.

## **Award of Merit**

The Award of Merit is awarded annually to currently-registered adult volunteers for noteworthy volunteer services of exceptional character to Scout-age youth, their units, and their communities. On an annual basis, a council awards committee is formed composed of three or more members who will consider and evaluate nominations before making their selections. No awards committee member may be considered for the award in the same year. All nominations must be certified on the nomination form by the committee chair. It is the option of the awards committee to not recommend the maximum number of awards unless there are well-qualified nominations up to that number.

## **Silver Beaver**

The Boy Scouts of America, acting through the National Court of Honor, may award the Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service to youth each year upon the nominations of chartered local councils. The award is made to registered adult volunteers over the age of 21, for noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth within the territory under the jurisdiction of a local council.

## **Exploring Leader of the Year**

Have your unit committee select a single leader who has made a significant contribution this year. It could be someone who stepped up at a crucial point or who helped out for the first time and is now a regular volunteer. It could also be someone who has always done what was needed to be done or has been a faithful leader of the organization. This is your chance to recognize this special person.

## **Explorer of the Year**

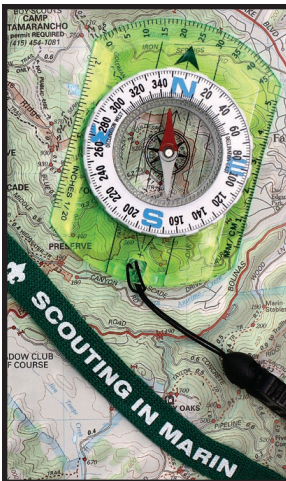
The post committee chair or awards chair should appoint a committee of three to five adults who will interview and select your post's nomination. An older or higher ranking youth may be on the committee but must not be a candidate. The Explorer of the Year should be selected using these types of criteria:

- ◆ Enthusiasm for Exploring.
- ◆ Knowledge of your post's career focus
- ◆ Maturity, attitude, and ability to talk and work with adults and peers.
- ◆ Leadership ability.
- ◆ Nominee should exemplify the meaning of the Explorer Code.
- ◆ Nominee has made significant contributions to the post.

A council committee will review all of the post nominations and choose a council Explorer of the Year.

## **Spurgeon Award**

The Spurgeon award is awarded annually to adults, who are at least 21 years old, for noteworthy volunteer service of exceptional character to young people through the Explorer program. It may be awarded to a currently-registered Explorer volunteer with a reasonable amount of service time, to a business professional, or to a community leader whose activities have supported Exploring. On an annual basis, a council awards committee is formed composed of three or more members who consider and evaluate each nomination before making their selections. No member of the committee may be considered for the award in the same year. All nominations must be certified on the nomination form by the committee chair. It is the option of the awards committee to not take advantage of the maximum number of awards unless there are well-qualified nominations up to that number.



## 2017 Venturer of the Year Nomination

The Venturer of the Year Award program provides an excellent opportunity to recognize an outstanding Venturer and also obtain recognition for your crew's program.

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### Nomination Process

Who is your Venturer? The qualifications are clear but difficult. The purpose of the Boy Scouts of America is to help young adults develop the leadership qualities that will carry them on into adulthood.

The crew committee chair or awards chair should appoint a committee of three to five adults who will interview and select your unit's nomination. An older Venturer may be on the committee but must not be a candidate. What are some of the things a committee should look for in making a selection?

- ◆ Enthusiasm and knowledge of Venturing
- ◆ Maturity, attitude, and ability to talk and work with adults
- ◆ Leadership abilities
- ◆ Does this nomination exemplify Venturing?
- ◆ What contributions has this person made to the crew or ship in general?

Once the committee has made the selection, complete the nomination form on the back of this sheet and submit it to the council by the deadline of **Friday, January 5, 2018**. *No late nominations accepted*. Do not attach extra sheets; they will not be considered.

### Then What?

Put your Venturer of the Year Award nomination into action. This does not need to be an elaborate or time-consuming process, but can contain these types of simple elements:

- ◆ Recognition of the Venturer at a crew event
- ◆ A newspaper story with a picture about the Venturer in the local paper
- ◆ Involve the Venturer in the troop anniversary dinner, court of honor, or a presentation from the head of your charter organization.
- ◆ Be sure your candidate attends the Marin Council Recognition Dinner along with friends and family to support him or her.

### Council Selection Process

All nominees will be interviewed on Thursday, January 25, 2018, by a special panel of the Advancement and Recognition Committee. The panel will consider how the nominees reflect the ideals of Scouting and then make their choice out of all the nominees. The panel's choice will be honored at the annual Marin Council Recognition Dinner.

# 2017 Venturer of the Year Nomination Form

**Deadline:** January 5, 2018

Use only space provided here. Do not attach extra sheets.

The Venturer of the Year Award program provides for selection and recognition at the crew and council levels. It can provide meaningful experiences for many youth and a higher degree of visibility for Venturing in the local community. Our crew's nomination is:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Crew # \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Please give some details about your nomination.**

Please write a brief sentence or two describing community activities or involvement, leadership, Venturing accomplishments, and reason for selection. Do not attach extra sheets.

Community Activities \_\_\_\_\_  
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Leadership \_\_\_\_\_  
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Venturing Accomplishments \_\_\_\_\_  
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Reason for Selection \_\_\_\_\_  
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Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2017 Volunteer of the Year Nomination

Volunteers should be recognized and their contributions to Scouting made known to others.

Marin Council wants to recognize one outstanding volunteer from each pack, troop, and crew in the council.

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## Selection Process

The process for selecting your unit Volunteer of the Year is simple. The committee chair, in consultation with other leaders, selects one individual who made an outstanding contribution to the unit during the year. You might want to recognize someone who first stepped forward to help the unit or maybe someone whose outstanding efforts continued throughout the year. The recipient can be a uniformed leader, such as a den leader or an assistant Scoutmaster, or it can be a committee member. Only one volunteer from each unit can be recognized.

The selected individual will be recognized at the annual Marin Council Recognition Dinner. Be sure the person you want to honor attends the dinner along with members from your unit to support your honoree.

Fill out the form and return it to the council office no later than **Friday, January 6, 2018**. *No late submissions will be considered.* Use only space provided. Do not attach extra sheets.

Volunteer of the Year for (unit #): Pack\_\_\_\_\_ Troop\_\_\_\_\_ Crew\_\_\_\_\_ Ship\_\_\_\_\_

Name as it should appear on the certificate

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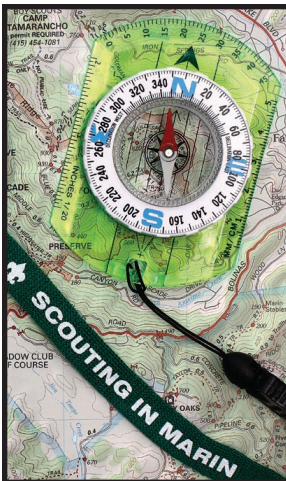
Brief description of why this person is your Volunteer of the Year

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Submitted by\_\_\_\_\_ Position\_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone\_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone\_\_\_\_\_

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# 2017 Award of Merit Nomination

The Award of Merit is the highest recognition a district can give to a volunteer for noteworthy services of exceptional character to Scout-age youth, their units, and their communities.

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## Standards of Eligibility

The Award of Merit may be awarded only to currently registered Scout volunteers.

On an annual basis, a council awards committee is formed composed of three or more members who will consider and evaluate nominations before making their selections.

No awards committee member may be considered for the award in the same year.

All nominations must be certified on the attached form by the committee chair.

It is the option of the awards committee to not recommend the maximum number of awards unless there are well-qualified nominations up to that number.

## Number of Awards Available Annually

Councils are entitled to make as many nominations as desired. The number of awards allocated to each council must be in proportion to the number of units registered at the time the nomination process begins, using the following scale:

25 units or less	1 recipient
26 to 50 units	2 recipients
51 to 75 units	3 recipients
76 to 100 units	4 recipients

## Approval of Recipients

Nomination date shown on the nomination form is final. The deadline for nominations is Friday, January 5, 2018. The awards committee will forward the selected nomination forms to the council service center after making their selections.

## Award of Merit Presentation

The Award of Merit is presented at the annual Marin Council Recognition Dinner. In the event your nominee is chosen, be sure to invite family and friends to support them.

# 2017 Award of Merit Nomination Form

**Deadline:** January 5, 2018

You may use additional sheets if necessary.

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

## Current Registration

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

## Previous Unit Registrations

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

## Marin Council Activity

Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

## Awards, Recognitions, and Training as a Scout Leader

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## Service to Youth and the Community

In addition to the above, as important as one's service is to Scouting, so is one's service to others (i.e, church, school, civic or service club, veterans organization or fraternities). List organization, title (if any), and length of service. Use additional paper if necessary.

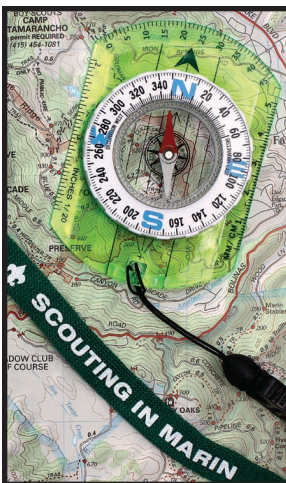
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Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Nomination Process**

Be sure to give the full name and title, (if any), of the nominee just as it should appear on the certificate. For example: Hunter Stockton Thompson, The Most Reverend James Baldwin, The Honorable Werner Tovia Herzog, and so on. Do not use abbreviations, initials only, or nicknames.

Furnish as much information as possible under each of the sections in this nomination form. Specific group identification enables the National Court of Honor to provide names to the national office, who usually wish to compliment the recipient of the honor.

### **Approval of Recipients**

Nomination date shown on the nomination form is final. The deadline for nominations is Friday, January 5, 2018. After making their selections, the awards committee will forward the selected nomination forms to the council service center, who will then submit them to the national office.

### **Silver Beaver Award Presentation**

The Silver Beaver Award is presented at the annual Marin Council Recognition Dinner.





# 2017 Silver Beaver Award Nomination Form

**Deadline:** January 5, 2018

You may use additional sheets if necessary.

Full Name (include title if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Scouting Position \_\_\_\_\_ Unit/Council \_\_\_\_\_

## Unit Service in Scouting

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Unit and # \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

## Council Scouting Service

Council \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Council \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Council \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Council \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

## Business and Professional Involvement

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

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Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

**Civic, Club, Fraternal, or Veteran Service**

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

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Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

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**Religious Service**

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Service**

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

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Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

**Other Noteworthy Service**

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

Description \_\_\_\_\_

**Exceptional Service to Youth**

Explain the nature of such service giving as much detail as possible on the achievements of the nominee. Use additional paper if necessary.

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**Awards and Recognitions**

List any pertinent awards received by the nominee. Give the name of the award, year presented, and a brief explanation of the award.

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Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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