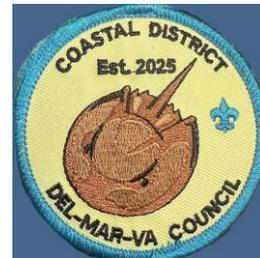


2026 Coastal District Annual Recognition Dinner District Awards



The following District Awards are to be presented at the **Coastal District Dinner, May 12, 2026, 7p.m., Harrington Moose Lodge, 16268 S. DuPont Hwy, Harrington, DE**. Nominations can be made by individuals or units. Please include email address of your nomination.

Please enter each name only once. No one will be presented with more than one of the following awards. Please do not nominate someone who has already received the award.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY!

PLEASE SUBMIT A NOMINATION FOR THE FOLLOWING AWARDS (separate nomination form needed for each award – one nominee, for one award, per page):

UNIT VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR (1 individual per unit may be awarded, use attached form)

Every Unit should choose one recipient from their unit for this award. This is the Den Leader, Committee Chair, Counselor, Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, parent etc. who has gone above and beyond what is asked for on a regular basis and makes your unit better.

ENERGIZER BUNNY AWARD (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

The Energizer Bunny Award goes to that volunteer who has “been there, done that, got the T-shirt, **and** received the awards” but who still keeps giving to the youth, our District and Scouting in general. Often this person has received the District Award of Merit and/or Silver Beaver and has not been recognized for their efforts in a long time.

CHARTER PARTNER OF THE YEAR AWARD (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one Charter Organization partner for exceptional support of Scouting in the Two Bays District. This recognition is awarded annually to a charter partner organization that has made a significant impact on the community through its Scouting programs or support of Scouting at the district level.

SEAN MULLEN LEGACY AWARD (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

Sean W. Mullen passed away on June 2, 2013 while conducting combat operations in the Nimroz Province of Afghanistan. Sean grew up in Dover and graduated from Caesar Rodney High School in 1992. As a child Sean enjoyed playing sports and being a Boy Scout. This award is humbly dedicated in his honor to remember his dedication to scouting and the military. This award will be presented to an adult volunteer who has actively served their scouting unit while serving actively in the United States military – either active, or reserves. Having served in both is not the only criteria, the service must be of noteworthy quality.

CUBMASTER OF THE YEAR (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

Have a Cubmaster that can pull off a song, skit, or cheer to energize a Pack at a moment's notice. This recognition is awarded to that one Cubmaster that embodies the true meaning of Akela and what Cub Scouting is all about.

SCOUTMASTER OF THE YEAR (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one Scoutmaster that has mastered the true meaning of “go ask your SPL”. Always starting a conversation with a question and drawing out the leader in the youth they serve. Maybe not the spitting image of a Norman Rockwell painting, but nonetheless, someone that keeps the meaning behind that image alive.

DISTRICT FAMILY OF THE YEAR (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one family that has lived and breathed Scouting all year long. Rain or shine, campouts, fundraisers, maybe even the occasional snack volunteer. Always looking to take on adventure and keep the meaning of scouting in all they do.

UNIT OF THE YEAR (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one Unit. Whether your Unit is a Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship, your Unit is what it means to be a quality Unit. Excelling at advancement, growth/retention, outdoor activity? Your Unit is the model of Scouting America success and should be recognized and made an example.

SCOUT SPOUSE AWARD (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one leader’s spouse who knows what only 1 hour a week really means. Without an understanding spouse, many leaders would not be a fraction of the leader they really are. We know who is really responsible for making sure that Scout leader is what they are.

WILLIAM P. “PAT” HART COMMISSIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one Unit Commissioner that understands what Unit service is all about. Commissioner service is often behind the scenes and critical to making sure Units have the information and support to make sure they succeed. Dedicated to the outstanding example of Unit service the embodies this award for who it is named after.

OUTSTANDING NEW COMMISSIONER AWARD (1 award to be presented, use attached form)

This award is presented to one new Unit Commissioner that has embraced the role of Unit service and is on their way to being the next Commissioner that Units will look to for support in the years to come.

Adult Knot Awards

!!Please complete the applicable nomination form for each knot award!!

William D.Boyce New Unit Organizer Award

Form: [WD-Boyce-New-Unit-Award.pdf](#)

The William D. Boyce New-Unit Organizer Award is presented to recognize volunteers who organize one or more traditional Scouting units. The award is a square knot placed over the three colors representing the three phases of our program—Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouting. 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.

DEN LEADER TRAINING AWARD

Form: [Den Leader Training Award](#)

This award recognizes den leaders who have completed training, tenure, and performance requirements. It is available for Lion, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos den leaders and can be earned in each position, but tenure must be completed separately for each award.

UNIT LEADER AWARD OF MERIT

Form: [512-003_WB.pdf](#)

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 Scouting America'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 Scouting America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders who make that happen.

SCOUTERS TRAINING AWARD

Cub Scouts Form: [Scouters-Training-Award-for-Cub-Scout-Leaders-25.pdf](#)

Scouts BSA Form: [Scouters-Training-Award-for-Scout-BSA-Leaders-25.pdf](#)

Venturing Form: [Scouters-Training-Award-for-Venturing-Leaders-25.pdf](#)

Sea Scouts Form: [Scouters-Training-Award-for-Sea-Scouting-Leaders-25.pdf](#)

District Committee Form: [Scouters-Training-Award-for-District-Committee-2025.pdf](#)

The training awards and keys are designed to recognize unit Scouters for tenure, training, and performance in their leadership roles.

SCOUTERS KEY AWARD

Cubmaster Form: [Cubmaster-Key-2025.pdf](#)

Scoutmaster Form: [Scoutmaster-Key-25.pdf](#)

Advisor Form: [Advisors-Key-2025.pdf](#)

Skipper Form: [Skippers-Key-2025.pdf](#)

District Committee Form: [Progress Record for the District Committee Key.docx](#)

Commissioner's Key Form: [NCST-Commissioner-Key.pdf](#)

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Commissioner Arrowhead Honor

Unit Commissioner Form: [Arrowhead-Honor-UC-rev-2-25.pdf](#)

Roundtable Commissioner/Assistant Form [Arrowhead-Honor-RTC-ARTC-revised-1-25.pdf](#)

District Commissioner/Assistant Form: [Arrowhead-Honor-DC-ADC_Revised_Fillable.pdf](#)

The Arrowhead Honor recognizes proficiency in the contemporary tools and techniques commissioners use to provide effective unit service. Once the Arrowhead is earned, a commissioner can continue to wear it on the uniform.

DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT (no more than 2 awards will be presented with eligible nominations)

Form: [33720.pdf](#)

The highest award that is given to a Scouter at the District level and the only "non-square knot" in the knot award group. The District Award of Merit is awarded by a District to volunteer and professional adults for service to youth in the District. The requirements to receive the District Award of Merit are:

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

Please send your nominations by April 19, 2026 via email to jason.w.sunde@gmail.com

