

Awarding Yankee Doodle Adult Leaders for their Hard Work

Dear Fellow Scouter,

The District Recognition BBQ will be held on **Thursday, September 3rd** from 5 PM to 9 PM at Rotary Scout Reservation's Grizz Pavilion. You and your unit leaders are invited to join our celebration of your successes and kick off this fall.

The following awards will be presented:

- District and Unit Leader Award of Merit
- Den Leader Training Award and Scouter's Training Award
- Cubmaster Key and Scoutmaster Key
- Leader of the Year awards: Den Leader, Committee Chair, Cubmaster, Scoutmaster
- Good Turn Award
- Lifetime Service Award: Ken Purcell, William Armstrong, Milt Mercado

Please review the diagram below and attached award descriptions to see what your unit leaders have earned and can be recognized for. **Please nominate your unit's Scouters for the awards they deserve.** All scouts deserve a trained leader, and all trained leaders deserve a thank you.

Awards you can receive as a:



Requirements for the Den Leader Training Award, Scouter's Training Award, Cubmaster's Key, Scoutmaster's Key, Unit Leader Award of Merit, and District Committee Key are attached. If you are unsure if a leader qualifies, please reach out to clark@trcscouting.org to clarify - some requirement language is not up to date.

Thank you for all you do for our Scouts,

Yankee Doodle District Committee

Josh Clark, District Chair

Jim Stevens, District Commissioner

Quin Ciccolella, District Executive

Award of Merits, Training Awards and Keys:

Awards referred to as “knots” worn above the left chest pocket. Have national requirements, attached on the following pages.

Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Den Leader, and Committee Chair of the Year:

These awards are given to a Scouter who has performed in an outstanding fashion while registered in one of the positions listed. Please put as much information on their achievements as possible on the form. Those who won in previous years remain eligible.

Good Turn Award:

An award given to scouts, Scouters, or an institution who has done a noteworthy “Good Turn” for their scouts, unit, or community in the past year. Great for Scouters or parents who don’t yet qualify for the above awards. There can be multiple people awarded in each unit.

Bridge Builder Award:

Recognition for Scouters who are working to build their unit, recruit new scouts, develop great activities, and train new leaders. A Bridge Builder is creating a better unit for youth to come. Great for Scouters who have already received the above awards.

Lifetime Service Awards:

Awards that are given selflessly to the Scouts and Scouters in their community and exemplifies the Scout Oath and Law.

Ken Purcell Award for Rensselaer County

William Armstrong for Columbia County

Milt Mercer Award for volunteers who have served a Pack and a Troop for 15 years or more.

Submit all award nominations to clark@trcscouting.org

or complete the Google Form at <https://forms.gle/Sy2BpF22aWtoxvxV9>