

GOLDEN STAVE/GOLDEN BOOT AWARD APPLICATION

MOUNT RUSHMORE PILGRIMAGE

(For current Scouting Year-September 1st, through August 31st)

Council:

Troop/Crew Number: _____ District:

The listed Troop/Crew submits the following camping, program activities, service projects, training records and council fundraising participation for consideration of being awarded a Golden Stave. Four Golden Staves are presented to the units with the most impressive overall programming for its scouts for the current Scouting year. The four Golden Stave winners will have the option to be a trail lead at next year's event.

The four Golden Stave winners are then qualified to win the Golden Boot which is presented to the unit with the most impressive overall programming.

INDEPENDENT UNIT CAMPING ACTIVITIES: List all independent unit camping activities. This page should **not** include items listed elsewhere, such as Mount Rushmore Pilgrimage, summer camp, or training weekends (see following pages). If you need more space, feel free to attach another page.

Number of Youth	Number of Adults	Participation % of registered Scouts	Nights of Camping	Activity Dates	Description of Activity

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NATIONAL and COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: List all National, Council and District activities. If your unit/Scouts attended any High Adventure activities, such as Philmont or Jamboree, they would be listed here. If you need additional space, feel free to attach another page.

Number of Youth	Number of Adults	Participation % of registered Scouts	Nights of Camping	Activity Dates	Description of Activity
					Prior Year Pilgrimage
					BSA Accredited Summer Camp, Where?

SERVICE PROJECTS: List all service projects (i.e. conservation, community, etc.) that your unit has participated in over the current Scouting year. Individual Eagle Project participation should only have one entry per project. If you need additional space, feel free to attach another page. **(Please provide proof of entering into service system)**

Project Date(s)	Project Location	Project Description

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Trainee Name	Trainee Position	Training Description(s)

TRAINING: List all training (i.e. leader specific, Outdoor Leader, NYLT, Den Chief, etc.) completed by your unit's registered Scouts/Scouters over the current Scouting year. If you need additional space, feel free to attach another page. **(Please provide proof of Current Youth Protection Training for all registered leaders)**

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OTHER FACTORS DETERMINING THE EXCELLENCE OF UNIT PROGRAM

How many roundtables have your unit leaders attended?

OTHER:

Is your unit fully uniformed in accordance with BSA standard guidelines? Yes or No

(See appropriate Uniform Inspection Sheet for details.)

NOTE: The Boy Scouts of America has always been a uniformed body. Its uniforms help create a sense of belonging. They symbolize character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness. Wearing a uniform gives youth and adult members a sense of identification and commitment.

What percentage of your unit advanced (1 rank per scout per year)?

List any other unit activities not previously recorded (i.e. assistance to Cub Packs on School Night or Day Camp, assistance to Council with training courses, flag ceremonies performed for other groups, service to your Chartered Organization and other unique experiences). If you need additional space, feel free to attach another page.

Activity Date(s)	Activity Location	Activity Description

Additional Comments: _____

Signed:

Unit Committee Chairman

Date

Unit Leader

Date

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PLEASE RETURN BY August 28, 2026 by 5:00pm

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