

## Guide for using the Silver Beaver Nomination Form

The most current version of the form is available on the Laurel Highlands Council website. For assistance, contact any member of the Laurel Highlands Silver Beaver Selection Committee.

Information sources could include spouses, co-workers, friends, relatives, Scout professionals, etc. To avoid disappointment, please do not let the nominee know that you are working on a nomination. Additional pages can be attached to the form.

### **1. Record of Service to Scouting**

This section accounts for service and leadership to Scouts BSA Unit, District, Council, Region or National and length of service. These positions could include trainers, Unit leaders, Commissioners, District, Council, Region or National Committee members, Merit Badge Counselors, etc.

The nominee must be currently registered and active in at least one position.

Please note the years of service on the form. The length of registered adult service in Scouting for this section can be continuous or interrupted (e.g. if someone left Scouts and came back later).

This section does not include Scouting as a youth.

### **2. Training Courses**

Major completed training courses are listed on the form. Other training courses can be listed under Other BSA Training Courses section. Completion dates for the courses should be available from a Council representative or district Training Chair. If not known, note "unknown" on the form.

### **3. Scouting Recognition**

Most of the major BSA awards are listed on the form, other awards and recognitions should be listed under the Other Scouting Awards section.

For the major awards, dates received should be available from a Council representative. If dates are not known or are not available, note "unknown" on the form. Dates may not be readily available for district specific awards; an estimate is acceptable in that case.

### **4. Council and District Activities**

This section is used to account for leadership of events including training/leadership development, advancement, membership, civic service, camp promotions, Day Camps, and activities at a District, Council, Region or National event.

If the nominee served in a leadership position, please note that on the form as well. Note that being a staff or committee member counts and should be noted.

### **5. Noteworthy Service of Exceptional Character to Youth Outside of Scouting**

This section outlines service to youth (over and above just being a member) in non-Scouting fields. These could include non-BSA affiliated local and national youth organizations including but not limited to Girl Scouts, sports, organization boosters, chaperoning, STEM, school activities, volunteering, organization support activities such as fundraising and chaperones, treasurers, activity leadership, religious youth groups, Choir, Lectors, Sunday School, etc.

Please note leadership and support positions held plus length of service on the form.

### **6. Statement of Nominee's Standing in the Community**

Involvement (preferably over and above just being a member) of a civic, veteran, fraternal, business, religious and educational organizations. Positions must be unpaid with the following exceptions: military service, emergency management such as Fire Departments, EMT and Police service may be considered.

Please note positions held, length of service and recognitions received on the form. Includes Community Service support and projects such as serving in local government, local Food Banks, parades, cleanup, etc.

Do not include BSA related community service support and projects such as Eagle projects, Scouting for Food, etc.