

Silver Beaver Guidelines

Listed below are some suggestions for completing a nomination:

- ⇒ Forms – there are two forms that should be filled out and submitted to the Council Selection Committee for the nomination of a Scouter:
 - First is a *Silver Beaver Nomination* form with instructions and regulations on the back side. Fill in all the information on the upper section of the form. For the *Record Upon Which This Nomination is Based*, you may write-in “See Attached Worksheet” and provide the information on the worksheet.
 - Second is the *Silver Beaver Worksheet* and the names and phone number blanks must be filled in. The chronological list of service can be written on this page or a supplementary document such as the attached *Worksheet Format* example may be used.
- ⇒ Silver Beaver Award – this award is for rare and exceptional service and is presented to .2% of registered scouters who have gone well beyond simply working with youth. A three legged stool is often cited as an example of the balance in the three areas listed below:
 - Service to BSA – generally measured in many years of service and exemplary service.
 - Service to the Community – involved in numerous community activities.
 - Service to Youth (Scouting or other) within our council – this goes beyond working with youth and should focus on that rare and noteworthy service.
- ⇒ Ease of reading by the selection committee is very important, because lots of text is tedious and difficult to evaluate. Lists should be organize in logical categories and listed chronologically. Detail is also important, especially in the community and service to youth outside of scouting areas. For example, “helped the high school band” does not reflect how extensive the help was as does “responsible for helping students with fitting of uniforms, transporting uniforms to the games, and arranging for the cleaning of the uniforms.”
- ⇒ Letters of Recommendation – these are not submitted to the selection committee, but may be used in unique situations where no one on the committee knows the nominee and the committee needs a tie breaker.

Forms Link: http://www.northtrail-data.org/data/award_forms.htm

Navigation Path: www.northtrail.org Click button “Forms & More”
Link is labeled “Awards and Recognition”

Silver Beaver Worksheet Example

A. Record of service in the Boy Scouts of America

❖ Unit

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
Cubmaster, Pack 999, St. Michaels Church	1992 - 1995
Scoutmaster, Troop 999, Lions Club of Our Town * Increased membership 20% during his tenure	1996 – 2000

❖ District

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
District Training Committee	2002 - currently serving
- Den Chief Training Staff	2002
- Boy Scout Leader Specific Training	2003
Unit Commissioner	2000 – currently serving

❖ Council

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
Council Woodbadge Staff, Circle 10	2002 – currently serving
Associate Advisor, National Order of the Arrow Conference	2004

❖ Scouting Awards

<u>Award</u>	<u>Date</u>
Scouter's Training Award	1993
Order of the Arrow Ordeal	1999
Commissioner's Arrowhead	2001
District Award of Merit	2002

B. Service to Community

❖ Civic

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
Vestryman, St. Paul's Church	1984 – currently serving
President (1998), Ourtown Rotary Club	1992 – current member
Exalted Ruler (2002), Elks Lodge No. 99	1996 – current member
Framing Crew, Habitat for Humanity	1995

❖ Business

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
President (1999), ABC Management Assoc.	1981 - 1998

C. Service to Youth

❖ Scouting

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
Merit Badge Councilor	1998 - 2003
– Counseled 37 boys	
Eagle Designee, District	1999 – currently serving
– 29 Boards of Review	

❖ Other

<u>Service</u>	<u>Date</u>
Youth Councilor, St. Paul's Church	1998 – 2002
Retreats Coordinator, St. Paul's Church	1999 – currently serving
Reading volunteer, XISD	1999 – currently serving

NOTE: Include short comments about any unique or noteworthy accomplishments for any of the service activities listed.