



GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas
Adult Recognitions
2010



Procedure for Nominations

- Please be sure to complete the “Award Nomination Form” in it’s entirety, including address, town & zip codes.
- Required number of letters of support should be attached to the Nomination Form.
- Attaching a list of the Volunteer’s record of service and number of years serving may help the Committee with their decisions.
- The lack of information or number of support letters may disqualify the nominee.
- Deadline to submit nominations is January 15, 2010
- All awards, including the Volunteer Years of Service Pin will be presented at the Adult Award Banquet. (see list below)

Send all forms & nominations to:

Terry Blevins

Director of Volunteer Services

104 West River

Victoria, Tx. 77901

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361-573-6451

800-865-3069

361-579-0988 fax

Locations for Award Banquets:

Corpus Christi, Laredo, Victoria and Weslaco
Banquets will be held starting April 22, 2010

Times, days and locations to be announced.



Recognition:

An Attitude of Appreciation

Volunteer Years of Service Pin

The **Years of Service pin** recognizes an adult member registered with Girl Scouts of the USA for her/his years of active volunteer service at 5 year intervals (5, 10, 15, etc.) This pin differs from the numeral guard in that it represents the number of years an adult volunteer has actively provided service, whereas the numeral guard recognizes years of membership. (Number guards can be ordered through the shops at any time)

Criteria:

1. Submit documentation of years of service to Recognition Committee.

Years of Service can come from other councils.



Outstanding Volunteer Award

The **Outstanding Volunteer Award** recognizes an adult in a position other than leader or in addition to leader who services benefits a geographic or program area.

Criteria:

1. The candidate is a registered Girl Scout Adult.
2. The candidate has completed appropriate training, or demonstrated competence for the job, or both.
3. The candidate has performed at a level that exceeds the expectations of the position as outlined in the job description agreement.

Approval: Recognition Committee

Example:

- An event director who has managed several successful events.
- A recruiter who has retained or increased girl or adult membership beyond the goals set for that area.

Requires application form plus 2 letters of support



Outstanding Leader Award

The **Outstanding Leader** Award recognizes troop/group leaders, assistant leaders, or group coordinators whose performance in working with girls is so outstanding that it merits recognition.

Criteria:

1. Registered adult member
2. Completed appropriate trainings for his/her position.
3. The Candidate's work with girls has exceeded expectations for the position as outlined in the job description.

Approval: Recognition Committee

Example:

- The assistant troop leader who recruits and retains an active troop committee that results in increased program opportunities for girls.
- A troop leader who develops a series of activities that give girls the opportunity to interact with people from all cultures in the community.

Requires Application Form and 2 letters of support



Appreciation Pin

The **Appreciation Pin** recognizes an adult who has delivered outstanding service to at least one geographic area, service unit, or program delivery area.

Criteria:

1. Candidate is a registered adult member.
2. Has provided outstanding service to a geographic area in a way that furthers the council's goals.
3. Service goes beyond the expectations for the position.



Approval: Recognition Committee

Example:

- A corporate volunteer who recruits coworkers to lead or sponsor troops.
- The manager of a highly successful product sale.
- A consultant who develops & implements an interactive pluralism program for girls and adults.

Requires Application form and 2 letters of support

Honor Pin

The **Honor Pin** recognizes an adult member who has delivered outstanding service to two or more geographic areas.

Criteria:

1. The Candidate is a registered Girl Scout.
2. Has provided outstanding service to two or more geographic areas or program delivery audiences in a way that furthers the Council's goals.
3. The service goes beyond the expectations of the position.

Approval: Reviewed by the Recognition Committee with final approval by the Council Board of Directors.

Example:

- A volunteer who directs a membership outreach task group that results in a significant increase in girl or adult membership in an under-served area.
- A trainer whose events for an area of the council receive consistently high ratings resulting in increased participation from several geographic areas.

Requires Application Form and 3 letters of support





Thanks badge

The **Thanks Badge** recognizes an adult member whose performance is truly outstanding and benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout movement.

Criteria:

1. The candidate is a registered Girl Scout adult volunteer or staff member.
2. Has provided outstanding service that benefits the total council or entire Girl Scout movement.
3. The service is so significantly beyond expectations that no other award is appropriate.

Approval: Reviewed by the Recognition Committee with final approval by the Council Board of Directors.

Example:

- The director of a successful Council or regional “Destinations” event.
- A person who plays a policy decision-making role at a consistently high level and attracts board participation in policy-influencing through the democratic process.
- The chair of the council’s fund development committee who develops & implements a plan that increases the percentage of adult-generated funding.

Requires Application Form and 4 letters of support.



Thanks Badge II

The Thanks Badge II for Continuing Service recognizes an adult member who has already received the Thanks Badge and who has continued to contribute in extraordinary ways that benefit the total council or the entire Girl Scout movement.

Criteria:

1. Candidate is a registered Girl Scout volunteer or staff member.
2. Has already received the Thanks Badge.
3. Since receipt of the Thanks Badge, has provided continued distinguished service.
4. The service benefits the total council or the entire Girl Scout movement.
5. The service is outstanding and is so significantly beyond expectations that no other award is appropriate.

Approval: Reviewed by the Recognition Committee with final approval by the Council Board of Directors.

Example:

- A council trainer who successfully implements a state wide or regional training event.
- A Board member whose continuous strong leadership in fund development has resulted in greater financial stability for the Council.
- The chair of a strategic planning task group whose leadership inspires a visionary plan.

Requires Application form and 4 letters of support

The Family Giving Award

The **Family Giving Award** is presented to a family for significant service of time, skills, effort and resources to Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas over at least a 2 year period of time. This family must have an active daughter in Girl Scouting. A family can also consist of a single parent.

Criteria: Outstanding Service by the entire family that benefits the entire Council.
All family members are registered Girl Scouts.

Approval: Reviewed by the Recognition Committee with final approval by the Council Board of Directors.

Note: Only 1 award will be given in the Council for the year.

Requires Application form and 4 letters of support



The Community Partner Award

The **Community Partner Award** is presented to a member of the Community Partners Committee who goes beyond the level of service expected.

Criteria:

1. Be an active member of the Community Partners Committee
2. Be a registered member of Girl Scouts
3. Show outstanding service, skills, efforts, resources, finances or material support to the council which will benefit over several years.

Approval: Reviewed by the Recognition Committee with final approval by the Council Board of Directors.

Requires Application form and 2 letters of support



Labor of Love Award

The **Labor of Love Award** is presented to an individual, family or group who has taken on an extraordinary project that is beneficial to the entire Council. The project could be something completed at one of the camps or Service Centers, or a new project that benefits the girls or adults in the Council.

Criteria:

1. Everyone in the group must be registered members of Girl Scouts.
2. Document and submit the project listing the impact it had on the Council or the members.
3. Submit a time line of how the project was carried out and dates.

Approval: All nominations will be reviewed by the Recognition Committee with final selections submitted to the Council Board of Directors for final approval.



Outstanding Service Unit Award

The **Outstanding Service Unit Award** will be presented to the Service Unit serving the largest ratio of girls in their area. Only 1 award will be presented in the Council to the Service Unit with the highest ratio of girls served.

Example: If there are 2000 girls in the Community served, and 200 of those girls are registered Girl Scouts, then the Service Unit would be serving 1 in 10 girls.

Criteria:

1. Girl Population numbers will be provided by the Membership Department
2. Number of Registered girls in that area will be provided by the Council Registrar.
3. Final approval and selection will be provided by the Director of Membership.
4. Figures will be taken from the 2008-2009 membership year.



Volunteers stand out
from the crowd!

Award Nomination Form

Name of Nominee: _____ **Date** _____

Award being Nominated for _____

Address, town, zip _____

Phone numbers _____

Nominees Service Unit Area _____

Other awards she/he has earned _____

Positions she/he has served _____

List who has received the impact and results of this person's actions: _____

List any other Community Service this person is involved in: _____

List names of individuals submitting support letters (please attach letters)

Name of person submitting this nomination: _____

Address, town zip _____

Phone numbers: _____

Signature & date _____

Adult Recognition Party Committee Needed Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas

Adults are needed to serve on the adult Recognition committee in all areas of the council. Please check the areas you would like to serve and return your form to:

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Area: _____ Harlingen-McAllen Areas
_____ Corpus Christi Area
_____ Laredo Area
_____ Victoria Area

_____ decorations
_____ games
_____ Welcome committee
_____ food & snacks
_____ drinks
_____ swaps for leaders

We are looking for troops to make Luau type swaps for the leaders.

Name _____ troop # _____

Address _____

Phone _____ hm _____ wk _____ cell _____

