



ADULT RECOGNITION SELECTION GUIDELINES

The guidelines are in accord with the Plan of Cooperation entered into with the United States Catholic Conference and the Boy Scouts of America (BSA); with the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. (GSUSA); and with Camp Fire Programs (CFP). – National recognition: BSA St. George; GSUSA and CFLP St. Anne. Diocesan recognition: BSA Bronze Pelican; GSUSA & CFP St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

The diocesan selection committee will seek out active adult Scout leaders within the Diocese of Green Bay. These persons are to be working in youth ministry using the resource programs of BSA, GSUSA, and CFP. The basis of selection shall be one National recognition per twenty Catholic sponsored units per year in the programs listed above. There shall be one diocesan recognition per ten Catholic sponsored units per year. As each of the resource programs are structured differently to “sponsor” can mean to own program or have regular meetings at a Catholic church or institution will be accepted. A particular recognition may not be conferred on the same person more than once. No honorary recognitions shall be made. The Diocese of Green Bay pays for each recognition. Each recognition is for select candidates with the realization that this is a special recognition for exceptional service to youth involved in church related activities using the resource programs given above. Collectively the term “Scouting” can refer to one or all of these youth programs.

PURPOSE

Each recognition is to acknowledge the recipient’s outstanding contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in the programs of Scouting.

PROCEDURE

1. Seek out Scout leaders who may fulfill some of the qualifications listed under the NOMINEE.
2. Complete the attached nomination form for the particular recognition desired.
 - a. A biographical record of the nominee.
 - b. A listing of activities contributing to the spiritual development of Catholic youth within the youth ministry program that they are involved and registered with that would merit this recognition.
 - c. A listing of other contributions by the nominee with positions held and dates with specific activities of their parish, diocese, civic and other organizations.
 - d. Nominee’s current and previously registered positions in Scouting.
 - e. Endorsement of nominee’s pastor and scouting CEO.
 - f. Written letters of recommendation from two other persons.
 - g. Verification of nominee’s tenure in Scouting by the Council Office.
3. Applications must be sent to the **Catholic Adult Recognitions Committee, PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912-0267** before June 1 of each year.
4. The Diocesan Adult Recognitions Committee will notify the nominee and the nominator if a recognition is to be received.
5. The presentation of the recognition of a Diocesan gathering by the Bishop or his representative.

NOMINEE QUALIFICATIONS

1. The kind of person sought as a recipient of a national or diocesan adult recognition should be one of excellent character and exemplary in living the total Christian way of life of service to others.
2. Recipients should be adult Scout leaders currently registered and serving in some capacity in Scouting. Having received Council training for the registered position is more desirable.
3. Recognitions may be given to lay men or women, clergy, religious or persons of any denomination or religion.
4. Catholic recipients must have the support of their parish community and of their respective pastor. Other recipient’s should be supported by their faith community and minister.
5. Have a tenure in Scouting Youth Ministry.

- a. For the National recognition of St. Anne (GSUSA & CFP) and St. George (BSA) the recipients are to have given a minimum of seven years active service to youth as an adult leader.
 - b. For the Diocesan recognitions of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (GSUSA & CF) and Bronze Pelican (BSA) the recipients are to have given a minimum of three years active service to youth as an adult leader.
6. Of greatest importance is that the nominee is currently active in promoting the spiritual elements of Scouting programs listed above.

GUIDE FOR THE ADULT RECOGNITIONS SELECTION COMMITTEE

Following are some examples, a combination of several of these might make a leader a possible nominee for these recognitions. These suggestions are offered as a guide only. They are indicative of some of the things that the committee should be looking for. This list is not inclusive as there are many other areas that could be considered.

THE NOMINEE

- A. Promotes the religious emblem programs for Catholic youth and serves as a trained emblems counselor. Encourages youth of other denominations or religions to participate in the religious emblems of their faith.
- B. Is instrumental in organizing Scout units in their own parish for girls or boys; especially the programs like Venture Scouting or Senior Girl Scouts.
- C. Gives notable service in promoting Catholic activities and service projects for the Scouting youth of the parish and shows willingness to serve on like committees.
- D. Participates actively in the Scouter Development spiritual formation program, retreats of days of recollection for youth or adults, and is instrumental in having other adults participate.
- E. Give outstanding service in promoting and participating in Annual Scout Sunday observances in their parish or diocese.
- F. Gives notable service in extending the national organizations to more members under Catholic auspices by promoting the full program of the national organization in all parishes including multiple unit where needed.
- G. Assists parishes and Catholic organizations in recruiting adults for key leadership positions
- H. Is fully trained in the skills of the organization and has an outstanding sense of responsibility, humility and sets good example.
- I. Is responsible for the Catholic youth in Scouting being transported to Mass at the weekend campouts, conferences, camporees and summer camps.
- J. Provides for the spiritual needs of the non-Catholic youth within these groups on weekends.
- K. Creates a better understanding of the aims and ideals of the organizations for the clergy and the laity through the Catholic press and the other communications media of the programs religious dimensions.
- L. Is instrumental in organizing and promoting the programs of the Catholic Committee on Scouting as well as the particular programs of each Youth Ministry Program for both youth and adults regardless of race or creed by giving personal leadership to the program's spiritual aspects.
- M. Encourages the true spirit of ecumenism as well as parochial responsibility and Catholic leadership within the organization served.

NOMINATION FORM

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GREEN BAY

Recommendation for the _____ adult recognition.

All information must be complete and letters attached to be accepted for nomination. The initiation and processing of this form up to the official notification of approval is a confidential matter and will be treated as such by all persons who have knowledge of its existence. Unauthorized disclosure may cause disqualification.

NOMINEE'S NAME _____ Phone _____

ADDRESS/CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

Parish _____ City _____

- A. Give a resume of the nominee's family life and work.

- B. Please state specifically what contributions the candidate has made in the spiritual development of Catholic members in the youth organization involved in that would merit this recognition.

- C. Please record other contributions of the candidate, with positions held and dates, specifically in regard to the activities of the parish, diocese, organization served, business, civic, religious, and educational organizations.

- D. Nominee's current and previously registered positions in the Council.

PARISH ENDORSEMENT

I hereby affirm the nomination of _____

As worthy of this recognition of service to youth ministry.

(Signature of Pastor)

(Date)

COMMUNITY ENDORSEMENT

Names of persons who have written attached letters of recommendation other than pastor and Council Executive.

COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT

_____ is currently registered and active in _____
_____ Council _____, and has been
registered as an adult member for _____ years.

(Signature of Council representative)

(Date)

Nomination submitted by Chris Brandt _____

Address 115 Fieldcrest Dr _____ Phone 920-450-0258 _____

City/State/Zip Brillion, Wi 54110 _____

Position Scoutmaster, Troop 004 Brillion _____ Date _____

When all of the above required information is completed with attached letters, mail this form to the Catholic Emblems Committee, PO Box 267, Appleton, WI 54912-0267.

DIOCESAN SELECTION COMMITTEE APPROVAL

We the undersigned approve this candidate for the adult recognition as stated above.

I endorse the nomination of _____ as worthy of recognition.

Signature and date _____
Diocesan Director of Scouting