2020 Arapahoe / Pioneer Trails
District Dinner nominations are open!

Do you know a Scouter who deserves recognition for their service to youth in our District?

The annual District Awards Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 18th at the United Methodist Church of Parker.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING NOMINATIONS IS March 10th 2019

For a description of each award and to nominate a Scouter, please view the appropriate awards and then submit a nomination:

**Outstanding Scouter Award**

Nominate

**Spirit of Polaris Award**

Nominate

**Footsteps of the Founder Award**

Nominate

**Noble Sage Award**

Nominate

**John Boyle Community Award**

Nominate

**Unit Leader Award of Merit**

Nominate

**William D. Boyce New Unit Organizer Award**

Nominate
### OUTSTANDING SCOUTER

**General Information**
The Outstanding Scouter Award is an Award that is given to those Scouters and Committee Members that have performed outstanding service to their home Units during the past year.

**Requirements**
1. Nominee must be a registered Scouter. 2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in their home Unit during the past calendar year.

**Guidelines**
Has your nominee made significant or notable contributions to your unit by being involved in positive roles and responsibilities within the Unit? Have they served in key staff roles at Unit activities? Have they been responsible for organizing Unit activities? Have they provided much needed support to other Scouters within the Unit at an outstanding level? If you feel a Scouter has made notable contributions to your Unit during the past 12 months, then please fill out an Outstanding Scouter nomination form. When in doubt, please fill one out!

### UNIT LEADER AWARD OF MERIT

**General Information**
Quality unit leadership is the key to a quality unit program—and it leads to better Scout retention. A quality Scouting experience will help keep Scouts in the program, and the Boy Scouts of America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders who make that happen. The Unit Leader Award of Merit is awarded to Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Venturing Crew Advisors and Skippers. The Completed form must be submitted to your district executive for review.

**Requirements**
1. Nominee must be a registered Scouter who has served in that position at least 18 continuous months. 2. Meet the training requirements for the registered position. 3. Distribute a printed or electronic annual unit program plan and calendar to each family in the unit. 4. Have a leader succession plan in place. 5. Effectively use the advancement method so that at least 60 percent of the unit's youth have advanced at least once during the last 12 months. 6. Cultivate a positive relationship with the chartered organization. 7. Project a positive image of Scouting in the community.

### SPIRIT OF POLARIS AWARD

**General Information**
The Spirit of Polaris Award is a District award presented to Scouters that have contributed to the success of their home unit and have branched out to supporting District Activities.

**Requirements**
1. Nominee must be a registered Scouter 2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in their home Units, 3. The nominee must be involved in District Activities such as the Pinewood Derby, Klondoree, Camporee, Cub Scout Day Camp or the District Committee. 4. Consideration must be given to the nominee's Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position. 4. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

**Guidelines**
Has your nominee made or are they making significant contributions to your unit or do they get involved in many other positive roles and responsibilities within the unit? Has the nominee started working at the District level? Have they made notable contributions at the district or council level? Has the nominee served in key staff roles such as Cub Scout Day Camp, Camporee, Klondoree, etc? Have they served on the District Committee or is a trainer on the District Training Staff? If you feel a Scouter has made notable contributions at the unit and district level, then please fill out a District Award of Merit Nomination form. When in doubt, please fill one out!

### FOOTSTEPS OF THE FOUNDER AWARD

**General Information**
The Footsteps of the Founder Award is a District award presented to Scouters that have contributed to the success of a unit or units at progressively higher leadership roles for an extended period of time.

**Requirements**
1. Nominee must be a registered Scouter. 2. The nominee through their scouting career has occupied progressively higher leadership roles within your Unit. 3. The nominee is a valued source information. 4. Consideration must be given to the nominee's Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position. 5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

**Guidelines**
Has your nominee made or are they making significant contributions to your unit or another unit; e.g. have they been a great Cubmaster, or Committee Chairman, or do they get involved in many other positive roles and responsibilities within the unit? Have they made notable contributions at the district or council level? Have they served in key staff roles at district or council events such as University of Scouting, Wood Badge, Day Camp, Camporee, Klondoree, etc? Have they been on the District Committee? Has the nominee contributed at the district or council level? Outside of Scouting, are they performing service to youth in the community; business, professional, civic, religious, educational fraternal and veterans? These are guidelines. If you feel a Scouter has made notable contributions at the unit and district level, then please fill out a District Award of Merit Nomination form. When in doubt, please fill one out!
JOHN BOYLE COMMUNITY AWARD

General Information
The John Boyle Community Award is a District award recognizing members of the community who have either promoted Scouting by assisting scouts with rank advancement or encouraging and/or enabling youth to join scouting, and/or promoting the values of Scouting for the youth of the community.

Requirements
1. Nominee must not currently be registered in Scouting. 2. Must have rendered noteworthy service to youth with rank advancement or recruited youth to join scouting. 3. in Scouting and outside Scouting, the expectations of that Scouting position. 4. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

Guidelines
Has your nominee made or are they making significant contributions to your unit or another unit; e.g. have they been a great Cubmaster, or Committee Chairman, or do they get involved in many other positive roles and responsibilities within the unit? Outside of Scouting, are they performing service to youth in the community; business, professional, civic, religious, educational fraternal and veterans? When in doubt, please fill one out!

NOBLE SAGE AWARD

General Information
The Noble Sage Award is a District award presented to members of the Scouting Community whose lengthy tenure and expertise has been instrumental to the success of their Units. They embodied the “Spirit of Scouting” and “Shine the light outward” for the general welfare of Scouting.

Requirements
1. Nominee must be a registered Scouter 2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to their home Units for an extended period 3. Consideration must be given to the nominee’s Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position. 4. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

Guidelines
Has your nominee made or are they making significant contributions to your unit or another unit; e.g. have they been a great Cubmaster, or Committee Chairman, or do they get involved in many other positive roles and responsibilities within the unit? Have they made notable contributions at the district or council level? Have they served in key staff roles at district or council events such as University of Scouting, Wood Badge, Day Camp, Camporee, Klondoree, etc? Have they served on the District Committee? Have they been on the District Training Staff? Outside of Scouting, are they performing service to youth in the community; business, professional, civic, religious, educational fraternal and veterans? These are guidelines. If you feel a Scouter has made notable contributions at the unit and district level, then please fill out a District Award of Merit Nomination form. When in doubt, please fill one out!

WILLIAM D. BOYCE NEW UNIT ORGANIZER AWARD

General Information and Requirements
The William D. Boyce New Unit Organizer Award is a National BSA award presented to members of the Scouting Community who have completed the required steps in organizing a new scouting unit and overseen its’ success. A completed form must be submitted to your district executive to obtain the appropriate signatures from the district leadership.

Guidelines
Recipient must have served as a primary facilitator in organizing a new scouting unit. Full requirements are listed on the form.