



To: Chapters & Alumni Associations of Alpha Phi Omega
From: National Scouting and Youth Services Committee
Re: Scouting Recognition Certificate
Date: March 1, 2003

Brothers,

The National Scouting and Youth Services Committee recently created a Scouting Recognition Certificate that is available from the National Office free of charge. The intention of this certificate is to recognize those scouts who receive the highest award of their scouting program. So it's to recognize: Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Venturers who earn the Eagle Scout Award of the BSA; Venturers who earn the Venturing Silver Award, Venturing Ranger Award, or Venturing Quest Award of the BSA; Sea Scouts who earn the Sea Scout Quartermaster Award of the BSA; Girl Scouts who earn the Gold Award of the GSUSA; or Camp Fire Boys or Girls who earn the Wo-He-Lo award of Camp Fire USA.

The Scouting Certificate is listed on the Chapter Supply Order Form.

We leave it up to each Chapter/Alumni Association to work out how they wish to distribute these certificates, but this is what we recommend:

- Contact the local Scout Councils and offer this certificate to their members. You can either offer to make the certificate available to any scout who requests it. Or you can try to get a list of all recipients of these awards for the year, and present them at their annual recognition events for these scouts.
- We have included several documents on the Chapter Resource CD to help you. There are a set of award request templates designed for the BSA, GSUSA, and Camp Fire. You just have to include the particular Council's name and your name and mailing address. There is a template for printing out the certificates. Please be sure to test this out so you don't waste certificates. And we've included a script you might want to use when presenting the certificate.

Please inform the National Scouting & Youth Services Committee thru your Regional Chair how many of these certificates you present within a year.

Yours in Leadership, Service, Friendship and Scouting

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