



# “CENTENNIAL PLUS” AWARD

Meet the seven requirements below by December 1 and your pack, troop, team, or crew can receive all rank badges at no cost for a year!

Unit: -Pack -Troop -Team -Crew # \_\_\_\_\_

District: -Coyote Creek -Pioneer -Polaris -Quicksilver

Yes  No 1) Centennial Award: Our unit met the requirements for the Centennial Award and the application is at the service center.

Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No 2) Scout-O-Rama: Our unit sold tickets to the Scout-O-Rama and had a booth there.

We sold \$\_\_\_\_\_ worth of tickets

Our booth's theme was: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No 3) Friends of Scouting: Our unit met our Friends of Scouting goal.

Goal: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Actual: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No 4) Popcorn: Our unit met our popcorn goal.

Goal: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Actual: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No 5) District Volunteer: We had at least one person from our unit provide significant leadership and service to our district or to the council this past year.

Name of unit volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration in our unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Significant service: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No 6) Recruitment: Our unit followed the council recruitment plan.

Yes  No 7) Training: At least 50% of our “direct contact” leaders and their assistants have completed basic training for their position.

# direct contact leaders: \_\_\_\_\_

# completed basic training: \_\_\_\_\_

% completed basic training: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No Submitted by December 1. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on behalf of the unit: Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Approvals:

Unit commissioner: \_\_\_\_\_

District commissioner: \_\_\_\_\_

*Explanation of requirements and details are found on the second page of this form. All seven requirements must be completed and this award application must be submitted to your unit commissioner by December 1.*

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This award replaces the Commissioner’s Challenge.

These requirements are for packs, troops, teams, and crews.

Free badges: Packs, troops, teams, and crews can receive the following badges without charge from the Scout Shop for the next calendar year (January 1 – December 31) if all seven requirements are completed and this form is submitted to your unit commissioner by December 1.

- Cub Scouts – Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light cloth badges, arrowhead points.
- Boy Scouts and Varsity – Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, and Eagle cloth badge, Eagle recognition kit, merit badges, and Varsity letter.
- Venturing – Star, Life, and Eagle cloth badge, Eagle recognition kit, merit badges, Bronze, Gold, and Silver Award kits.

- 1) Centennial Award: The Centennial Award replaces the Quality Unit award. The unit sets objectives early in the year and works towards completion of those objectives by the end of the year. A unit may submit their application as early as October 31.
- 2) Scout-O-Rama: On May 11, 2008 (the Saturday of Mother’s Day weekend) at History Park in Kelley Park in San Jose, units will have booths where they showcase fun, interactive, exciting games, crafts, and projects. Scouts sell family admission tickets to the event in the weeks preceding the event.
- 3) Friends of Scouting: From January to April, families of Scouts and other friends of Scouting are asked to make a donation towards the support of the council. A dollar goal is established and agreed upon by the unit and the district Friends of Scouting leadership. Typically, a presentation is made at a pack meeting or a court of honor to the families of the unit.
- 4) Popcorn: In September, units receive a consignment of popcorn for the Scouts to “show and sell” in front of stores and door-to-door. The Scouts also collect orders from friends, neighbors, and others and the “take order” popcorn is delivered to the Scouts for distribution in November. A dollar goal is established and agreed upon by the unit and the district popcorn sales leadership.
- 5) District Volunteer: A district exists for the purpose of building strong units. This is accomplished through district volunteers serving as unit commissioners, trainers, camp promotion team members, etc. Some of the district opportunities for significant service are short-term while others are year-round. Your district commissioner, program chair, district chair, or district executive can identify opportunities for significant leadership service within the district. There are council opportunities too.
- 6) Recruitment: A year-round membership and recruitment plan is established by the council. Cub Scout packs recruit twice a year: once in the spring (with a focus on Tiger Cubs and Wolf Cub Scouts) and once in the fall (with a one-night, county-wide school night for Scouting on Thursday, September 19, 2008). Boy Scout recruitment plans also have two parts: Webelos-to-Scout transition (which typically happens in the winter) and a troop open house (which can be scheduled at any time). LDS units do not typically recruit, so they may meet this requirement by registering all eligible youth, active and inactive.
- 7) Training: Every Scout deserves a trained leader. Direct contact leaders are those that work directly with the Scout: Den leaders, Webelos leaders, Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Varsity Coaches, Venture Crew Advisors, and their assistants. Basic leader training consists of: 1) **Youth Protection Training** is taken on-line and should be taken immediately upon becoming a new leader and before meeting with any youth; 2) **Fast-Start Orientation** taken on-line or with other unit leaders and should be taken within the first two weeks of becoming a new leader; 3) **New Leader Essentials** is an introductory overview of the Scouting program. This only needs to be taken once and is the same overview for all leaders. The course should be taken within the first sixty days of becoming a new leader; 4) **Leader Position Specifics** provides information for each direct contact position named above. This should be taken within the first sixty days of becoming a new leader; 5) **Outdoor Leader Training** are required for Webelos, Boy Scout, and Varsity leaders to complete “basic” training. This course should be completed before they have an outdoor activity with their Scouts.