BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

Elks and Scouting Community Service

MARVIN M. LEWIS NOMINATION APPLICATION

Marvin M. Lewis Award

The Significance of the Marvin M. Lewis Award

In recognition of Elks' contribution to America's future, the Boy Scouts of America established the Marvin M. Lewis Award. It recognizes Elks in good standing who have contributed significantly to the youth of their communities by volunteering in the programs of the Boy Scouts of America. The award is named for the Honorable Marvin M. Lewis, PGER, one of the strongest proponents of Scouting over the years.

Approved by the Grand Lodge and introduced in 1998, the Marvin M. Lewis Award includes:

- ☒ One medal and ribbon, boxed
- ☒ One framed certificate
- ☒ One lapel pin
- ☒ One square knot



Application and Selection for the Marvin M. Lewis Award

Marvin M. Lewis Awards will be presented annually at the Grand Lodge Convention only. In addition, after the Grand Lodge presentation, a presentation can be made at an event such as a BSA local council or a state meeting or a Local Lodge meeting.

Each Local Lodge may nominate one candidate to be considered for this award. A Grand Lodge selection committee will review the candidates and choose the qualified recipients. The decision of the selection committee will be final. Applications may be obtained from the Scouting Coordinator on the Grand Lodge Activities Committee for the year submitted. ***Applications are due March 1 of the current GL year.***

Procedure for Selecting a Candidate for the Marvin M. Lewis Award

The Grand Lodge invites all Local Lodges to submit one candidate for the Marvin M. Lewis Award. Candidates must have their Local Lodge recommendation to be eligible. When selecting their candidate, Lodges should consider Elks who:

A. Have brought Scouting to more youth.

B. Have assisted local Elks Lodges in forming Scouting units.

C. Are fully trained in the skills of Scouting and are outstanding role models.

D. Have contributed significantly to Elks and Scouting by bringing the two movements together to serve the community.

E. Have offered Scouting to all youth regardless of race, creed, or income level, and have been instrumental in organizing Scouting units, especially in inner-city or other low-income communities.

NOTE: *Work accomplishments and dedication, rather than a specific number of years in Scouting should be the criteria by which candidates are selected.*

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Please Complete the Following Form completely, accurately and sign.

(PLEASE TYPE/PRINT CLEARLY)

Section 1: ***To be completed by Candidate***

Candidate Name _____ E-mail address _____

Occupation _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Elks Lodge No. _____ Candidate Lodge Membership No. _____

Position held in Scouting _____ BSA local council _____

Candidate Accomplishments ***(Please add additional sheets if needed. Exhibits are encouraged)***

A. IN LOCAL LODGE, STATE AND/OR GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES

B. IN BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

C. IN OTHER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS (activities in civic, religious, educational, fraternal and other fields)

Section 2: ***To be completed by an official of the Candidate's Scouting Council***

Please attach a letter of recommendation, 150 words or less, highlighting the candidate's commitment to Scouting, Scouting activities and accomplishments.

Section 3: ***To be completed by the Exalted Ruler***

Please attach a letter of recommendation, 150 words or less, highlighting the candidate's contributions to the Elks and Scouting. Please verify that the candidate is in good standing with the Elks by signing below.

Note: The Section 2 & 3 Letters of Recommendation will be read at the MML Ceremony if applicant is selected to receive the current Marvin M. Lewis Award.

Date _____ Signed by Exalted Ruler _____ Signature font

Section 4: ***To be completed by Grand Lodge***

Date _____ Signed _____ Signature font

Submit Application To: **CARL E. LINDSEY, JR.,** *Scouting Coordinator*
Grand Lodge Activities Committee
8902 Grant Street, Overland Park, KS 66212-3858

Note: Any applications postmarked after March 1st **will not** be placed in nomination for the Marvin M. Lewis Award. ***Submit your application early***

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