

SCOUTS-L

SILVER BEAVER

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Each Council has discretion to determine when and how it notifies a recipient of the Silver Beaver. What happens in your Council may be different from what happens to other folks on the Scouts-L list.

In days of old, the thought was to surprise the recipient keeping the award secret until the last minute. A good number of people felt that this really heightened the emotional high of being honored with such an award.

More recently, things have loosened up and many Councils have taken the approach that an honoree's experience can be more satisfying, if the person can make arrangements in advance to share the ceremony with family members, people who helped in Scouting and even the boss at work. In this case the honoree is asked to keep the notification confidential and so are the people he/she invites. The surprise is for the audience at the awards ceremony in this case.

In my own case I was glad that our Council adopted that latter approach because it allowed me to ask my father to present the medal in the same way he had when I first earned the Bobcat pin many years ago. Being able to ask him myself and share that moment with Dad is something that meant more to me than the ceremony, though it too was wonderful. Dad drove nearly 600 miles to be there and had tears in his eyes. So did I.

Speaking only for myself in the Scouting Spirit, Michael F. Bowman
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Subject: Silver Beaver Award; here goes

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Scott,

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I'd be interested if you do find those other answers.

**Happy Scouting,
John Severino
Los Angeles Area Council Committee
Silver Beaver 1989**

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John, I sent this to Scott, thought you might like it.

Early in 1926 the Boy Scouts of America invited Baden-Powell to come to the United States in April so that they might present him with the first Silver Buffalo, a new Award for "distinguished service to boyhood". ...Pleased as he was to have Silver Buffalo Number One hung around his neck on its red-and-white ribbon, he was even happier when he found out that Silver Buffalo Number Two was awarded

"To the Unknown Scout Whose Faithfulness in the Performance of the Daily Good Turn Brought the Scout Movement to the United States of America"

... Now, seventeen years later, this simple Good Turn that had had such far reaching effects recieved the highest recognition that American Scouting had to offer. Since there was no boy grown into man

around whose neck to hang a small silver beaver on a silk ribbon the award to the Unknown Scout took the form of a statuette of a buffalo to be erected at Gilwell Park.

Two Lives of a Hero, William Hillcourt

The Silver Buffalo Award

Beginning in 1926, The National Council has Awarded the "Silver Buffalo" to men who have rendered distinguished service to boyhood in a nation-wide way. This Silver Buffalo is a miniature of the Buffalo presented to the Prince of Wales for Gilwell Park in memory of the Unknown Scout whose "Good Turn" to W.D. Boyce brought Scouting to America. Up through 1936 eighty-eight of these had been awarded.

The Silver Beaver Award

This recognition led to the development, in 1931, of "The Silver Beaver" award made by the National Council, upon the recommendation of the Local Council, to men who have rendered "distinguished service to boyhood" in the Local Council area. In the first six years over 3,816 of these were conferred. The stability and continuing devotion of their leadership is indicated by the fact that they averaged over eleven years each.

The History of the Boy Scouts of America, BSA, 1937

Later a Silver Antelope for service to a region was initiated.

The Silver Fawn, on a narrow green and white silk ribbon was awarded to female Cub Scouters. The first den mother was registered in 1930, the Silver Fawn was instituted in 1934 and phased out in 1972. 1341 were presented. I think that recipients could turn their Fawns for Beavers, but few did.

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... Bobwhite, and always Beaver and Eagle

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