

## **Marvin M. Lewis nomination application**

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### **The Significance of the Marvin M. Lewis Award**

In recognition of Elk's 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 Youth Activities Committee Member on Scouting 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 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.