



The Saint Anne Medal

An Adult Religious Recognition

The Saint Anne Medal is for adults working with Catholic members of national organizations serving girls. The medal was inaugurated at the Sixth National Conference on Catholic Youth Work in Philadelphia in November 1957. It was redesigned in 1980. The Saint Anne Medal is offered to those dioceses, which choose to use it, subject to the approval of the local ordinary. It is the highest national award in this field. The purpose of the medal is to honor the outstanding service to adults contributing to the spiritual development of Catholic members of girl's organizations, and to further Catholic adult leadership in youth ministry through organizations serving girls.

Selection Process and Diocesan Contact

Nominations and recommendations may be made by anyone, using the attached form. People who were nominated in a previous year but were not selected may be renominated if still eligible.

Nomination deadline is the 31st of December for presentation at the March Diocesan Scouting Liturgy with Bishop Sullivan. Awards made outside of this schedule must have correspondence detailing the need for special consideration.

Jim Talbert is the contact for this recognition. Request for all forms should be faxed or called to 804.272.1374 or e-mailed to jtalbert@i2020.net.

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Candidate Qualifications

The kind of person sought as a recipient of a national adult recognition should be one of excellent character and exemplary in every way.

Recipients should be adults currently active with the organizations served (ideally, registered members.)

There are no national restrictions regarding recipients. Awards may be given to clergy, religious, non-Catholics, lay men or women.

Catholic recipients should be exemplary Catholics, with the support of their parish community and their respective pastors. Non-Catholics recipients should also be supported by their congregations and clergy.

The nominee:

1. Has given a minimum of seven years active service to youth as an adult member.
2. Has already attained the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Medal.
3. Promotes the religious recognition programs for Catholic members and/or serves as a counselor. Encourages non-Catholic members to participate in the religious recognitions of their faith.
4. Gives notable service in promoting Catholic Activities and service projects for the church and shows willingness to serve on like committees.
5. Participates actively in the Adult Spiritual Motivation Program, retreats or days of recollection. Is instrumental in having others participate.
6. Gives outstanding service in promoting and participating in Girl Scout / Camp Fire Sunday observances.
7. Gives notable service in extending the national organizations to more members under Catholic auspices.
8. Assists parishes and Catholic organizations in recruiting adults for key leadership positions.
9. Is fully trained in the skills of the organization and is outstanding for his/her sense of responsibility, humility and good example.
10. Is responsible for Catholic members being transported to Mass at camporees and summer camps, and provides for spiritual needs of the non-Catholics within these groups.
11. Creates a better understanding of the aims and ideals of the organizations by the clergy and laity through the Catholic press and other communications media.
12. Is instrumental in organizing and promoting these programs for all members regardless of race or creed and gives leadership.
13. Encourages the true spirit of ecumenism as well as parochial responsibility and Catholic leadership within the girls' organizations served.
14. Fosters good relationship with Council and is capable of interpreting Catholic programs to Council members.

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE

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(All information must be provided. Please print legibly.)

Nominations are CONFIDENTIAL

Nominee's Name: _____ Tel. (with area code): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Parish: _____

(1) Years as an Adult Member: Girl Scouts _____
 Camp Fire _____
 Other: _____

(2) Position Now In: Girl Scouts _____
 Camp Fire _____
 Other _____

(3) Positions Held in Girl Scouts/Camp Fire/Other:

(4) Please state specifically what contributions the candidate has made in the spiritual development of Catholic members in the above organizations that would merit this award:

(5) Please record other contributions of the candidate, with positions held and dates, specifically in regard to the activities of the parish, diocese, organization served (Girl Scouts, Camp Fire, Other) business, civic, religious, education organizations:

(6) Attach any letters of recommendation or supporting documentation.

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I hereby affirm the nomination of _____ as worthy of this recognition.

(Signature of Pastor/Pastoral Coordinator/or Parish Designee)

(Date)

The above named candidate is currently registered and active in _____ Council of the _____ (NAME) organization, and has been registered as an adult member for _____ years.

(Signature of Council Representative)

(Date)

Nomination submitted by: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Tel. (with area code): _____

Position: _____ Date: _____

Send to: Jim Talbert, Secretary
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Approval by Committee on _____ (date):

The above candidate meets Diocesan requirements for the SAINT ANNE MEDAL.

(Designated Diocesan Representatives)

APPROVALS: This nomination is to be kept CONFIDENTIAL.