

SILVER BEAVER AWARDS

The Silver Beaver is the highest award that can be bestowed on an adult scouter at the council level. The number of awards that can be made annually is determined by a ratio to the number of registered units within the council. The selection is made by a committee of past Silver Beaver recipients from nominees made by scouters throughout the council. Most nominees have achieved distinction in both scouting and other community organizations. Listed are the recipients of the past years.



1931

*George Manning, Fairmont
*E.F. Westrum, Albert Lea
*Ed Footh, Fairmont
*George Seager, St. James

1932

*H.J. Frundt, Blue Earth
L.A. Lavine, St. Peter

1933

*C.W. Fisher, Mankato
*H. Dudley Fitz, Fairmont

1934

George Hopkins, Albert Lea

1935

*R.E. Hodgson, Waseca

1937

A.J. Noll, Heron Lake
*Dave Ling, Mankato
*Tom Pfaender, New Ulm
*H.R. Davidson, St. James

1938

*F.T. Woolverton, Albert Lea
Harlan Olson, Austin
*Ernest Anderson, St. Peter

1939

*Ned Peck, St. James
*Otto Schellberg
*F.E. Draegert, Alden
*H.E. Wade, Fairmont (posthumus)

1940

*Herman Peterson, Waseca
*S.C. Ward, Austin

1941

*A.N. Grube, Fairmont
Fred Wetzell, Fairmont

1942

No Awards

1943

*W.J. Schwen, Sr., Blue Earth
Harry Moore, Jackson
*George Hormel, Austin
*S.T. Nevelyn, Austin
*O.W. O'Berg, Austin
*R.P. Crane, Sr. Austin
*Orin Slocum, Madelia
*Walter Riley, Madelia
*Carl Hage, Madelia
*Leslie Morse, Mankato
*Dr. C.L. Lynn, Redwood Falls

1944

*C.V. Mossey, Austin
*George Lindeberg, Fairmont
*Ernest Schmidt, Mankato

1945

*M.E. Kelton, Wells
William Stanger, Fairmont
*William Barnes, St. Peter

1946

Rudy Huettl, Arlington
Delbert Bjorklund, Winthrop
*Herman Held, Mankato

1947

*Victor Reim, New Ulm
*Rolland Miller, Windom
*J. John Halverson, Albert Lea
Earl Engebritson, Hollandale

1948

Don Wedge, Albert Lea
O.S. Teig, Lakefield
*Albert Arduser, Madelia
*Howard Wollam, St. Peter

1949

Richard Dougherty, Austin
*C.F. Gaarenstroom, Fairmont
A.E. Hartzell, Morgan
*Amel Bolin, St. James

1950

S.E. Stenson, Minnesota Lake
*Marshall Beech, Fairmont
*J. George Lynch, Mankato
*George Vetter, New Ulm

1951

*Roy Paulson, Fairmont
Manly Hammer, Austin
*Elmer Fritts, Mankato
*Reuben Tweet, Mountain Lake

1952

*Charles Anderson, Elmore
*L.W. Bathke, Waseca
John Richter, Jr., New Ulm
Dr. W.J. Yock, St. James

1953

O.E. Kofstad, Albert Lea
Gordon Sathe, Jackson
Harold Ulvestad, North Mankato
Stuart Groebner, New Ulm

1954

1955

*Vernard Lundin, Mankato
Dr. T.M. Aaker, Gaylord
Stanley Jacobson, Albert Lea
Martin Koehler, Blue Earth

1956

Walter Schwen, Jr., Blue Earth
*Warren MacLaren, Austin
Alford Halstenrud, Jeffers
Henry Keehn, Lewisville

1957

*William Rau, Fairmont
*Wayne Dunsworth, Albert Lea
Ernest Dunsworth, Albert Lea
William Koppen, Gibbon
George Renner, Springfield

1958

*Ben Jones, Mankato
Maynard Nesvig, Gaylord
William Nierengarten, Austin
Adrian Wrucke, Mankato
G.P. Budd, Austin

1959

No Awards

1960

*Sig Anderson, Albert Lea
Dr. Thomas Seert, Austin
*Charles McCarthy, Madelia
George Anderson, St. Peter
*Harry Olson, Mankato
Verlin Harms, St. James
Perry Bartell, Mankato

1961

Dana Zimmerli, Jr. Jackson
Welferd Krueger, Albert Lea
*Fred Kraft, Blue Earth
Martin Larson, St. Peter
Blaine Farnberg, Redwood Falls
Dr. D.N. Derksen, Lake Crystal

1962

Robert Rose, Mankato
*Norbert Renner, St. James
*Glenn Uggen, Wells
*George Vaux, Truman

1963

Philip Frisch, New Ulm
Allen Diedrichsen, Mankato
*Orrin Bowlby, Austin
Maurice Schwen, Blue Earth

1964

Merrill Stolp, Jackson
*Clarence Prange, Wells,
Royal Lee, Mankato

1965

*W.O. Forsberg, New Ulm
*Sam Slocum, Madelia
Burt Mellum, Sleepy Eye
*Eldred Loop, Fairmont
*Max Noland, Hayward
*Edmund Smock, Austin

1966

Donald Harder, Fairmont
*Kenneth Hanson, Austin
Phil Buckman, Mankato
*George Anderson, St. Peter

1967

Darrell Beaty, Albert Lea
*DeWayne Stauffer, Blue Earth
*Jake Kenyon, Walnut Grove
George Sugden, Mankato

1968

Wally Bloedel, New Ulm
J. Peder Kvamme, North Mankato
*William Small, Fairmont
*Eugene Dahlen, Albert Lea

1969

No awards

1970

Al Tietel, New Ulm
John Frundt, Blue Earth
Gerald Chopski, Austin
*Bruce Paulson, Mankato

1971

Claire Faust, Mankato
Ross Bloomquist, St. Peter
Rev. Carl Osland, Waseca
*Clarence Smith, Austin
Julia Kaardal, Redwood Falls (Silver Fawn)

1972

*Arthur Mornes, Mankato
Roger Schultz, Wells
Stanley Sprecker, Austin
*Harold Patchin, Fairmont
*Richard Duffus, St. Peter
Clarice Watson, Truman (Silver Fawn)

1973

*Ray Simon, Fairmont
*Dr. Wm. Halverson, Madelia
Bill Cutts, Sr., Mankato
Carroll Bergerson, Albert Lea
Viola Vaux, Truman (Silver Fawn)
Rayma Christianson, Austin (Silver Fawn)

1974

Clyde Dilling, Albert Lea
John C. Howley, Austin
Ross Lussenhop, Redwood Falls
Vince Thorstad, Westbrook
Orlie Haug, Austin (Silver Fawn)

1975

Dick Beech, Sleepy Eye
Lowell Haug, Austin
Kermit Hoversten, Austin
Leo Osbeck, Albert Lea
Erv Wille, Waseca

1976

Herb Nelson, Fairfax
*Richard "Ace" Christianson, St. Peter
Carl P. Hansen, Albert Lea
*Charles Knute Backstrom, Fairmont

1977

Robert Current, Redwood Falls
Dorothy Whitman, Granada
Archie Battcher, Arlington
*Raymond Fuerstenberg, Brownsdale

1978

Willard O. Vetter, Mankato
Evelyn Culbert, Austin
Gerald Greischar, Fairmont
Walter K. Michelson Jr., New Ulm

1979

Richard Kenny, Mankato
Dwain Petersen, Mankato
Wayne Weber, Sherburn
*Charles Besendorf, Frost

1980

Dan Scheurer, Mankato
Don Sorenson, Austin
Alvin Johnson, Bricelyn

1981

John Meier, Ceylon
Robert Dymacek, Austin
Arno Bergstrom, New Ulm
Les Anderson, Albert Lea

1982

Lin Barnes, Mankato
*Harold Christensen, Bricelyn
*Mary Ann Goodfellow, Fairmont
Geroge Fischer, Mankato

1983

H. Lee Williams, Mankato
Harlan Logemann, Fairmont
John P. Carlin, Austin

1984

Willis Cole, Jr., Fairmont
Thomas Henderson, New Ulm
Gerald Zabel, Wells
Williams Sheely, Austin

1985

Elmer Kaardal, Redwood Falls
Merrill Frydendall, Mankato
Marvin Holland, Fairmont
Dr. John Sawyer, Blue Earth

1986

Dave Gette, Mankato
Les Wells, Waseca
Mel Larson, Wells

1987

Doris Meier, Ceylon
Bob Manning, Redwood Falls
Greg Goblisch, Arlington
Cynthia Weberg, Mankato

1988

Tom Donnelly, New Ulm
Kathy Horning, Austin
Thomas Hallett, Mankato

Ed Borchardt, North Mankato

1989

Ken Temple, Jackson
Linda Eisterhold, Albert Lea
Paul Willaert, Mankato
Rex Hendley, New Ulm

1990

Bev Flink, Winthrop
Tom Richards, Mankato
Ev Christensen, Madelia
John Eisterhold, Albert Lea

1991

Duane Williams, Blue Earth
Vic Soller, Albert Lea
Warren Smith, Mankato

1992

Dr. Lyle Rud, Arlington
Phil Hensche, Albert Lea
Karen Chapna, Austin
Brett Taylor, Jr., Mankato

1993

James Peterson, Gaylord
John Kreutzman, Grand Meadow
William Brown, New Ulm
Wendell Sohn, Jackson

1994

Jerry Bamberg, Madison Lake
Fred Manke, Lake Crystal
Lyndon Grabau, Austin
Alice Johnson, Fairmont

1995

Donald Barnes, Austin
Ikars Sarma, North Mankato
Donald Moritz, Fairmont
Robert Hamilton, St. Peter

1996

Thomas Berg, New Ulm
*Hank Kolbinger, Mankato
Spencer Anderson, Waseca
Joanne Pooley, North Mankato

1997

Eileen Hines, Eagle Lake
James Kagermeier, Mankato
Brad Hove, Crosslake
Ed Schermerhorn, Fairmont

1998

Geroge Genz, Mankato
Alan Nuessmeier, Blue Earth
Mike Cherney, Adams
Brian Manning, Fairmont

1999

Ric Koval, Lafayette
Richard Lundin, Mankato
Tom Wilcox, North Mankato

2000

Merle Johnson, Mankato
MaryAnn Frerichs, Welcome
Robert Walker, Fairmont

2001

Paula Nuessmeier, Blue Earth

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Kathy Shane, Fairmont
Mark Furth, New Ulm

2002

Jan Schwanke, Springfield
Terry Zabel, Austin
John Frerichs, Granada

2003

Greg Hasse, Mankato
Douglas DeMarce, Mankato
David Miller, Truman

2004

Bruce Winter, Mankato
Kevin Cole, Fairmont
Larry Beach, New Ulm
Mike Pace, St. Peter

2005

Loran Kaardal, Redwood Falls
Thomas Rekstein, Mankato
Karen Lang, Springfield
Sue Sukalski, Fairmont
Mike Baker, Mankato

2006

Michael Karp, Mankato
Keith Fitzpatrick, Truman
Wendy Frarck, Mankato
Denise Riste, Lyle
Scott Waldner, New Ulm

2007

Mike Kunkel, Mankato
Keven Maxa, Mankato
Frank Samlaska, Mankato
Margaret Schimmle, New Ulm

2008

Bruce Kaardal, Redwood Falls
Mike Omtvedt, Madison Lake
Larry Forster, Hollandale
John Huisman, Blue Earth
Dan Sargent, Mankato

2009

Brian Maciej, Mankato
Doug Faust, Mankato
Kirk Yahnke, Sherburn
Melinda Roberts, Mankato
Mike Wolf, Albert Lea

2010

Steve Knuth, Mankato
Richard Rustman, St. Peter
Linda Mohwinkle, Lewisville
Doug Lind, Albert Lea

2011

Jim Pfau, Mankato
Brian Ehlert, Bricelyn
Dale Neeley, Redwood Falls

2012

Larry Treptow, Wells
Tony Dittrich, New Ulm
Lisa Boomgarden, Janesville
Don Halvorson, Cross Lake

2013

Paul Taylor, Mankato
Gary Wyatt, St. James
Dick Palmatier, Mankato
Brent Hanson, Austin

2014

Robert Sitzman, Truman
Gary Lager, North Mankato
Jim Pingel, Redwood Falls
Rich Lackey, Alden
Phil Keithahn, Gaylord

2015

Eric Henderson, St. James
Dan Kotten, New Ulm
Cheryl Olson, Mankato
Chris Scherer, Mankato
Becky Sandquist, Mankato

2016

Roger Bergquist, Mankato
Cindy Bode, New Ulm
Joe Wallschlaeger, Mankato

2017

Doug Boomgarden, Janesville
Jay Striemer, Sherburn
Ted Krueger, Austin

2018

Chris Sandquist, Mankato
Dennis Hagen, Austin
Katie Youngberg, Waseca

2019

Kevin Klanderud, Mankato
Heidi Nelson, North Mankato

2020

Shawn Pomeroy, Waseca
Beth Clymer, Lakeville
Bob Homer, North Mankato

2021

Dawn Selly, St. Peter
Jim Neubauer, St. Peter