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Right click "Scout of Year Instructions" and "Scout Award Entry Form" to perform "save as"  
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<http://www.vfw.org/index.cfm?fa=cmtty.levele&eid=1543>

**Build your resume now. Strengthen it in 2004.  
Submit it to you local VFW Post in February 2005.**

*She who does not risk, cannot win!*

# The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

## SCOUT OF THE YEAR

### 2004-2005 Entry Form

**Photograph of Scout In complete uniform for their current rank must be attached to this form. Recommended size 3"x5" (No additional photos)**

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

##### **The Candidate Must:**

▶ Be a registered, active member of a Boy Scout Troop, Venturing Crew, or Sea Scout Ship.

##### **AND**

▶ Has received the Eagle Scout Award, Venture Silver Award or Quartermaster Award.

▶ Has demonstrated practical citizenship in school, Scouting and community.

▶ Has reached his/her 15<sup>th</sup> birthday and is enrolled in high school at the time of selection.

▶ Has submitted his/her complete entry to a VFW Post in his/her community.

**Note: All applicants still in high school who reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday during the nomination year remain eligible if otherwise qualified. And a scout can only enter through ONE VFW Post.**

#### PLEASE NOTE:

▶ A scout can locate a sponsoring VFW Post by contacting their VFW Department (state) Headquarters as listed at: <http://www.vfw.org>

▶ Deadline for entry to VFW Post: **March 1, 2005**

▶ All candidates with full entry criteria must be submitted by a VFW Post to the Department's (state) National VFW Scouting Team representative by **April 1, 2005**.

▶ The single Department winner must be selected and submitted by their National Scouting Team member to the National VFW organization by **May 1, 2005**.

**(VFW Scouting Team member listed below)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street)

\_\_\_\_\_ (City)

\_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_ (Zip)

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Day/Mo./Yr.)

Home Phone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Scout Troop Number \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST SUBMIT APPLICATION  
DIRECTLY TO A VFW POST  
IN YOUR COMMUNITY.**

## SPONSORING VFW POST

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Post)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Post Number)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Street)

\_\_\_\_\_ (City)

\_\_\_\_\_ (State)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Zip)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Post Commander's Name)

### Department Certification

(Must be completed by Dept VFW National Scouting Team Member or Dept. Commander)

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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# SCOUT OF THE YEAR

## Application Instructions

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY SCOUT OF THE YEAR CANDIDATE:

**Section A -- HIGH SCHOOL PARTICIPATION RECORD**

Please submit a resume of your high school activities (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) to include a listing of offices held, honors received and the significance of your participation in these activities. *The resume of these activities should be contained on one 8 1/2 x 11 inch page. The screening committee at all levels will only consider the information contained on this one page (one side only).*

**Section B -- ENTIRE SCOUTING RECORD**

List your complete scouting record from Cub Scouts on up, to include years of participation, unit numbers and sponsors. Include information on when your Eagle, Silver, or Quartermaster award was received and Palms. Make sure you include any leadership positions held at all levels; list other Scouting activities you have participated in such as Jamborees, Order of the Arrow Conferences, etc. and describe in detail your Eagle, Venture, or Quartermaster project. *The resume of these activities should be contained on three 8 1/2 x 11 inch pages. The screening committee at all levels will only consider information on these three pages (front side of each sheet only).*

**Section C -- COMMUNITY SERVICE RECORD**

Use one page to list community service and religious organizations you have participated in (excluding high school and scouting) and the activities that you were involved with as a part of these organizations. Note any leadership positions held and any accolades received. *The resume of these activities should be contained on one 8 1/2 x 11 inch page. The screening committee at all levels will only consider the information contained on this one page (one side only).*

**Section D -- LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

The screening committee will carefully review the letters submitted. Only five (5) letters will be allowed. One letter each from your school, community, and scout leader must be submitted. Two additional letters are allowed from other individuals within your community who may have a special knowledge of your abilities and/or accomplishments. *The screening committee will only consider five (5) letters at most. (Note: Letters should not exceed two pages.)*

- ▶ Please be sure to use only this form when applying. Any other form or format will not be accepted into the competition.
- ▶ Please follow the procedures and requirements as written, to ensure that your application is reviewed and processed as quickly and accurately as possible. (Note: All typewritten entries must be legible and easily read.)
- ▶ Do not send completed application directly to VFW National Headquarters; all applications must be submitted to a VFW Post for initial consideration. The VFW Post will then submit to the Department for consideration as the Department winner.

### AUTHORIZATION

**SCOUT CERTIFICATION:**

I hereby certify that the foregoing information is accurate. If selected as the National Winner, I will make myself available to attend the VFW National Convention in Salt Lake City during the period of August 20 – 25, 2005.

SCOUT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SCOUTMASTER OR VENTURE CREW ADVISOR CERTIFICATION:**

I hereby certify that the above-named Scout is an active member of our unit and the information supplied by the candidate is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

SCOUTMASTER OR ADVISOR SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT'S CONSENT**

I hereby certify that all information on this application is correct. I willingly submit this name for consideration as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Scout of the Year. If selected I will ensure that he/she is allowed to attend the aforementioned conference to receive the accolades of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the scholarship award.

FATHER, MOTHER OR GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_