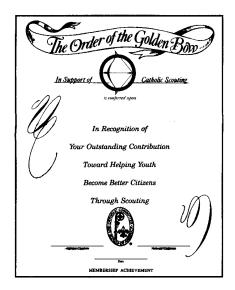


National Catholic Committee on Scouting®

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Golden Bow Membership Initiative Recognition

Recognition is available for Units and Leaders working to increase the availability of Scouting to Catholic Youth.



Golden Bow Certificate

Presented at the discretion of (Arch)Diocesan/Eparchial committees to adult leaders and committee members who have made a commitment to the NCCS Membership Initiative. The certificate is intended to promote commitment to Scouting as a Youth Ministry in Scout Units with Catholic Chartered Organizations and should include Unit Leadership, Pastors, School Principals, PSR/CCD Directors, (Arch)Diocesan/Eparchial Committee Members, etc. The award should be made for commitment and not be held back for performance. Adults working with and in existing units should be considered as well as those assisting the formation of new units.



Golden Bow Achievement Patch

Presented by Unit Leaders to any scout who has recruited a new member to a Catholic chartered unit or a Catholic youth to any unit in the past twelve (12) months (may be earned several times). Leader may also present the patch to the recruited member. Local BSA Councils also offer incentive awards for recruiting and these should also be encouraged. Registered adult leaders in units increasing their membership by more than 10% (or a minimum of three new members) are also eligible to receive the patch.



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The "Golden Bow' symbolizes the arrow shot from a bow straight toward its target. The bow represents leadership and chartered organizations -the arrow, Catholic Scouting Programs -the target, Catholic youth in our communities. The Golden Bow is a symbol, then, of our intention to deliver quality Catholic Scouting programs to as many Catholic youth as possible by strengthening charter relationships, building new units, and recruiting more youth and adult members. Our goal is to make the Scouting ministry available to every Catholic youth.

CHECK LIST:

- Review eligibility for Pope Paul VI quality Catholic unit national recognition;
- Certificates for chartered organization representative;, key executive, unit leader, etc.;
- Eligibility for Unit Streamer; and
- Patches for scout recruiters, new members and leaders who are eligible. (Arch)Diocesan/Eparchial committee members:
- Certificates for commitment to Membership Initiative (BSA Council relationship renewal, diocesan program planning, parish contacts, unit organization, etc.)

National Catholic Committee on Scouting [®] Golden Bow Membership Initiative Recognition Application/Nomination Form

TO: MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (ARCH)DIOCESAN/EPARCHIAL CATHOLIC COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING From: _____ For Unit #: _____ Unit goal of _____ new members (10%, minimum of 3) Unit recruited new youth members Number of Patches X \$1.00 N/C Number of Streamers: <u>N/C</u> Number of Certificates Total Remitted Names for Certificates: PLEASE SEND THIS APPLICATION WITH REMITTANCE TO YOUR LOCAL (ARCH)DIOCESAN/EPARCHIAL CATHOLIC COMMITTEE FOR PROCESSING

-this form may be duplicated locally as needed -

Title: _____

(ARCH)DIOCESAN/EPARCHIAL CCS Approval:_____